 Welcome to Vernon Elementary School

Counselor’s Corner

## Greetings! Welcome to a new school year at Vernon Elementary School. My name is Kaye Haddock and I am the school counselor at VES. You may contact me at 850-535-2486, or at kaye.haddock@wcsdschools.com. Check out my webpage:

<https://ves.wcsdschools.com/index.cfm?p=guidance>

Dropoff/pick up

Car riders need to be dropped off between 7:30 and 7:45 in the morning at the west gate of the school like last year. If you want your child to eat breakfast at school, dropping off nearer to 7:30 AM is preferred.

We ask that you do NOT drop off on the west side of the school, in the teacher parking lot. Cars are moving and we don’t want anyone to get hit.

Car riders will be picked up at 2:40. Remember to sign up for a car tag to hang on your mirror to help us safely connect you and your child.

Transportation changes:

Must be in writing. We understand emergencies, but please have to us by 2 pm. Email the office:

Sandra.Brown@wcsdschools.com

Tammy.Coatney@wcsdschools.com, or Brandi.Jackson@ wcsdschools.com

Parents walking students to class: we understand you want to make sure your little one arrives to their classroom, but we will ask after the first week, to allow them to move independently to their classroom. We have 18 personnel on duty across the campus each morning to help and monitor students.

 Office #: 850-535-2486

Hours: 7:55 AM - 2:45 PM

**SAFETY FIRST!!!**

Attendance/Tardies

 It is very important to have your student present and on time every day. If your student is absent please **send a parent note or doctor’s note**. Students are allowed 4 parent notes per 9 weeks.

**FORTIFY FL**- APP available.

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity, anonymous alerts, concerned citizen reporting tool that allows students, parents and community members to instantly relay information to appropriate school officials and law enforcement agencies about suspicious activity or harmful or potentially harmful acts against the school, students or staff.

Cell phones: students may have in possession; however, they may not be on or visible during the day.

Breakfast and Lunch—FREE OF CHARGE!

Extra milk, snacks and ice cream are available for students to purchase.

**Lunch Schedule**: **Pre-K/VE**- 10:40-11:05; **VPK**- 11:10-11:35

**K** -12:05-12:30; **1st**- 10:45-11:10; **2nd**- 11:55-12:20; **3rd**- 11:35-12:00

**4th**- 11:05-11:30; **5th**- 11:15-11:40 **Clinic- 10:45-11:15 (Closed)**

Progress reports will go home at the mid-point of each 9 weeks.

Report cards will go home at the end of each 9 weeks. Parents may sign up for parent portal to check grades. Forms are in the office.

Meet and greet—if you would like to set up a parent/teacher conference, go by the office or email your teacher.

Forms home—we will be sending many forms home with your student the first week of school. Please fill out and return in a timely manner to your child’s teacher. The emergency contact (yellow card) information is especially important.

PTO/School Advisory Council—located on sign-up sheets in the classroom. Anyone can join, please become involved!

THANK YOU for letting us educate your child!

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