

VALRICO ELEMENTARY



HAWK'S NEST NEWS



Congrats



The Yearbook Committee received so many creative Yearbook Cover Contest entries in line with this year's schoolwide theme "*Valrico Frontier: Where Legends Are Made!*"

Congratulations to the Overall Winner –

Kinsley Tucker in Mrs. Vick's Class!

Kinsley's artwork will be featured on the Yearbook Cover!

Congratulations to the following winners. Their artwork will be featured on the appropriate grade-level pages in the Yearbook:



EHawks—Nate Morris in Mrs. Wiebler's Class

1st Grade— Kaysen Tucker in Mrs. McLafferty's Class

2nd Grade— Jordyn Purner in Mrs. Miranda's Class

3rd Grade— Zoey Tinkham in Mrs. Lorentzen's Class

4th Grade— Kari Thomas in Mrs. Abraham's Class

5th Grade— Arriah Ferenczy in Mrs. Devine-Martin's Class



This Holiday Season please join us in giving back to our Valrico community by donating a new, **unwrapped** gift. Students may bring gift donations

Monday, Nov. 29th – Friday, Dec. 3rd.

A school wide collection will take place on

Monday, December 6th

as students will walk through our Winter Wonderland in the courtyard.

Thank you for your generosity!

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School success starts with attendance

VIRTUAL VETERANS DAY CEREMONY ★★☆☆

We hope all of our students and families enjoyed our Virtual Veterans Day Ceremony saluting local veterans in commemoration of the Veterans Day holiday! The memorial tribute included guest speaker, Major Christopher Tucker, currently serving our country as a Logistics Officer in the U.S. Marine Corps. It also featured patriotic songs by our Valrico Singing Stars, directed by Mr. Villa and Mr. Coster, a performance by one of our own teachers, Mrs. Daugherty, along with readings by Valrico students. The Virtual Veterans Day program allowed our students and staff to demonstrate how proud we are to be Americans. Thank you to all the students, teachers, staff members, and family members who contributed to this wonderful virtual tribute. If you would like to view the prerecorded ceremony, please visit our school website: <https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/valrico>. The link is available under "School News".



Pumpkin Decorating Contest Winners!

WOW! There were an amazing number of pumpkins displayed for our Storybook Pumpkin Decorating Contest. Thank you to the many students who put such great effort and creativity into their pumpkin characters. Students enjoyed the Pumpkin Walk around the school and faculty & staff had a tough job voting on the winner for each grade level.

Congratulations to the following students for their winning creations:



DINOSAILORS
EHAWKS: AUSTEN STINO



FANCY NANCY
KINDERGARTEN: JESIARELYS CRUZ MATOS



DAVID
1ST GRADE: HENRY TANNER



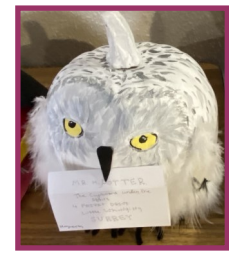
TOOTHLESS
2ND GRADE: JASE SMITH



RAINBOW FISH
3RD GRADE: SKYLER MORROW



PIPPY
4TH GRADE: CLAIRE WALKOVER



HEDWIG
5TH GRADE: LAINY WETZEL



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NOVEMBER TERRIFIC KIDS!

Teachers recognize one student from each class every month in honor of positive character traits.

November's character trait is Contentment. ("Deciding to be okay with what you have.")

Lincoln Bockelman

Rory Bockelman

Alex Estevez

Dahlia Stone-Grant

Mayson Bowermaster

Sara Rose Branin

Amaru Billingsly

Jase Eads

Lucas Walkover

Haylee Sousa

Sofia Gutierrez-Guerra

Aubrey Hugh

Christopher Jimenez

Alana Cruz Diaz

Yareli Maldonado

Zoe Santiago-Colon

Cooper Fernandes

Kayden Chrysler

Jordyn Purner

Sophia Santos

Jude Valentin Santos

Gunnar Trevillian

Matthew Prather

Emmy McDonough

Ainsley McDonough

Jaelynn Nation

Domani Joseph

Vincent Trujillo

Logan Dickason

Emily Hernandez

Anna Joseph

Lewis Lynn

Abygail Kannamala

Jaelyn Garcia

Elias Cuadrado

Andrea Hernandez-Castizo

Jesse Peterman

Victoria Slavov

Damariss Ojeda-Baltzar

Carlos Renteria-Leon

Sindi Vasquez Bartolon



Is your child missing an item?

All items in our Lost & Found bins will be on display outside the cafeteria on **December 16**. Any items not claimed will be donated. If your child is missing an item, please remind & encourage them to check these tables when they exit lunch.



CLASS PICTURE DAY:
Friday,
January 14



Join us for some HOLIDAY CHEER!

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13 ~ LOCATION: VES COVERED COURT

BRING A LAWN CHAIR OR BLANKET TO SIT ON.

5:00-5:25 COMPLIMENTARY HOT CHOCOLATE & CANDY CANES FOR KIDS!
(PROVIDED BY THE PTA)


5:25-5:35 WELCOME MESSAGE-MRS. SIMONSEN & PTA PRESIDENT, CASSY TIMKEN

5:35-6:00 VALRICO SINGING STARS (GR. 4 & 5)
TO PERFORM HOLIDAY MUSIC.

NOTE: Chorus Students to report to the Music Room at 4:45.



December

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE Bring Gifts Nov. 29th - Dec. 3rd 			1	2	3 PTA Executive Board Meeting 9:00 NHL Spirit Day	4
5	6 Holiday Toy Drive Ends— Classes Drop Off gifts on the way to lunch. Chorus Practice 1:00—2:00 SAC 1:20 Early Release Day!	7	8	9 5th Grade Field Trip BUBBAQUE'S REAL PIT GRILLIN' SPIRIT NIGHT 3:00—9:00	10 Favorite Color Spirit Day	11 1st Choice Application Period Closes for 22-23
12	13 Holiday Cheer Event See details in newsletter ATTENTION PLEASE Regular Dismissal - Not an Early Release Day	14 Chick-fil-z Spirit Night 5:00—8:00	15 4th Grade Field Trip January Parent Newsletter posted online	16 4th Grade Field Trip Lost & Found Lost & Found Items on Display	17 Class Holiday Celebrations 12:45-1:45 p.m. No Visitors on Campus End of 2nd Grading Period Wear Your	18 
19 Winter Break Dec. 20—Jan. 3 	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 	27	28	29	30	31 Bring on the NEW YEAR!  Students Return to school on Tuesday, Jan. 4	