

VALRICO ELEMENTARY



HAWK'S NEST NEWS



Congratulations to all students who participated in the Valrico S.T.E.M. Fair this year!!! We know

all of you spent a great deal of time and energy on your projects and hopefully had fun doing them as well as learning and discovering new information. We would also like to recognize some outstanding projects that will be representing Valrico at the district S.T.E.M. Fair.

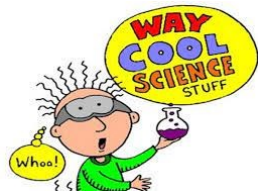
INDIVIDUALS

3rd Grade:

- 1st—Jordyn Purner
- 2nd—Jase Smith
- 3rd—Amiyah Bean
- 4th—Jackson Owens

5th Grade:

- 1st—Lucas Rodriguez
- 2nd—Bryson Camp
- 3rd—Bruce Waggoner
- 4th—Grayson Luke



GROUPS

3rd Grade:

- 1st—Skylar Basham,
Kenneth Hardeman & Andrew Pareja

4th Grade:

- 1st—Ava Smith, Emmerson McDonough
& Jazmine Myers
- 2nd—Elijah Nunez, Ethan Corlett,
Gunnar Trevillian & Rylan Leasure
- 3rd—Keely Hines, Minnah Mahmoud,
Jaelynn Nation & Jayline Baltazar-
Tolentin
- 4th—Siyona Dudhia, Adela Nolasco-
Ramirez & Charlotte Osenton

5th Grade:

- 1st—Kari Thomas & Riley Yurcus

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Parent-Teacher Conferences

Our spring 2022-2023 school year conference night will be held on *February 16 from 3:00-8:00 p.m.* Parent-Teacher Conferences are an important opportunity where we can sit down and discuss your child's progress in school. Please be on the look out in your child's agenda for additional information from the teacher regarding In-Person or Virtual Conference

Options. You can also request a conference. We encourage parent involvement! *Note: The Patrol Recognition Celebration will take place at Conference Night from 6:30-7:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. Thank you!*



School success starts with attendance

NATIONAL PTA® REFLECTIONS®

The following Valrico students were selected as "Show Your Voice" PTA Reflections winners and will move on to the state-level competition!

Olivia Navarro, 4th Grade—Photography
Rijash Shah, Kindergarten—Choreography

Congratulations and good luck!

Congrats to the following students...

Olivia Navarro, Liliana Pelillo, Kaidyn Warfield-Martinez & Riley Yurcus will be participating in the All-County Chorus and will perform at the Fine Arts Festival in March. Way to go, Hawks!

Valrico Art Studio News

Fifth grade student Addison Lambert's artwork was selected to represent Valrico Elementary at the Young at Art Exhibition at the Tampa Museum of Art. Anyone who would like to see Addison's art and all of the other great elementary entries from across the county can visit the exhibit until February 12th during the regular hours of operation. Congratulations Addison!

Florida VPK

School Year 2023 - 2024

Meet READY FREDDY!
He wants every child to be ready for kindergarten!



{ VPK children must be four by September 1, 2023 and be eligible (for the first time) to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2024. }

Valrico Elementary is pleased to announce that we will be offering Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten for the 2023-2024 school year. We will be accepting 10 VPK children to join our iPEEPS classroom for a wonderfully inclusive and adaptive educational experience. The class size will remain small and instruction will be provided by a certified teacher. Seats are limited and will be assigned based on a "prioritized" wait list. There is no fee for the 7:40-10:40 VPK time. Extended day options are available for an additional fee.

Call Valrico Elementary at 744-6777 to find out how to join the Waiting List.

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PTA Corner



VOLUNTEER



JUBILEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Lots of opportunities to help!
Set up, concessions, clean up, etc.
Email PTA to sign up to help.
Thank you for your support!

JUBILEE

Presale Now through Feb. 10th

Jubilee is February 24th!

\$10 for PTA Members • \$12 for Non-Members
PRE-ORDER AND SAVE! \$15 AT THE DOOR

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for updates on Jubilee, Spirit Nights, Yearbooks, School Events, etc.
<https://tinyurl.com/2p8kmdxj>

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JANUARY TERRIFIC KIDS!

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

January's character trait is Knowledge ("Learning something new so you can be better at whatever you do.")

Elias Rivera	Channing Spain	Sloan Cheong	Aria Henson
Asher Wayman	Reign Wilson	Jacob Aldrich	Grayson Luke
Amalia Velazquez	Lianna Rodriguez	Jael Ubarri-Cruz	Emily Hernandez
Terran Rice	Jarrick Thomas	Jackson Owens	Connor Gerry
Rijash Shah	Travis Soucy	Ava Smith	Carlos Reneria-Leon
Alessander Akhas Mendez	Kaysen Tucker	Addilyn Wood	Donnie Sidell
Emma Entrekin	Antonella Machado Salazar	Jessialix Quinones Jimenez	Lesli Roblero-Perez
Johan Otting	Gabriella Cerezo	Mya Metziera	
Addison Lugo	Zoe Santiago Colon	Ashlyn Wallace	
Jaxon Fowler	Gaven Dejesus	Avery Morris	
Makenzie Williams	Skylar Basham	Norman Moore	

Ready for Kindergarten Event

Date To Be Determined



This annual event is held for parents to register incoming kindergarten students for the next school year. It is an informative meeting of what to expect as your child enters Kindergarten. Please be looking for updates regarding this event. We are waiting for the District to determine potential attendance boundary changes. We anticipate the Ready for Kindergarten event will be scheduled in April. We will not accept Kindergarten registrations until that time. Thank you!



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TEACHER

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TO PUBLIC SERVICE

<https://irish31.com/cheers>

Nominate a teacher for the 6th annual Cheers to Public Service Awards celebrating the I.R.I.S.H. in those that have an undeniable impact on our youth! Visit the website to nominate a teacher for a 2023 Award. Nominations close on April 7.



ATTENDANCE RECOGNITION

The following classes (by grade level) had the highest attendance percentage for the month of **December**:

E Hawks: Mrs. Rhodes	94%
Kindergarten: Mrs. Koch	95%
First Grade: Mrs. Swartzlander	95%
Second Grade: Mrs. Gladbach	93%
Third Grade: Mrs. Lorentzen	97%
Fourth Grade: Mrs. Abraham*	97%
Fifth Grade: Mrs. Ashley	95%

*This class had the highest monthly attendance.

February's Character Trait:

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RESPECT

Showing others they are important by what you say and do

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February

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 4th Grade Field Trip (onsite) ELP 1:55-3:15 (Reading) Gr. K-5	2 ELP 1:55-3:15 (Math) Gr. 1, 3, 4, 5	3 Spirit Day-Wear Red to Support American Heart Association	4
5	6 Chorus Practice 12:55—2:00 SAC 1:20 Virtual 	7 5TH GRADE FUNDRAISING BEGINS	8 ELP 1:55-3:15 (Reading) Gr. K-5	9 ELP 1:55-3:15 (Math) Gr. 1, 3, 4, 5  SPIRIT NIGHT 3:00—9:00	10 PTA Jubilee Ticket Pre-Sales End NHL Spirit Day	11
12 Progress Alerts Go Home This Week →	13 Chorus Practice 12:55—2:00 	14 	15 ELP 1:55-3:15 (Reading) Gr. K-5	16 KG & 1st Grade Field Trip (onsite) Conference Night 3:00-8:00 p.m. Patrol Celebration 6:30-7:00 p.m. ELP 1:55-3:15 (Math) Gr. 1, 3, 4, 5	17 	18
19	20 Chorus Practice 12:55—2:00 	21 5TH GRADE FUNDRAISING ENDS  PTA Spirit Night 5:00—8:00	22 March Parent Newsletter posted online ELP 1:55-3:15 (Reading) Gr. K-5	23 ELP 1:55-3:15 (Math) Gr. 1, 3, 4, 5	24 Terrific Kids Student Recognition  PTA Jubilee 4 - 7 p.m. YES Spirit Day	25
26	27 Chorus Practice 12:55—2:00 	28 Relay for Life Coin Drive Begins District STEM Fair for School Finalists @ Tampa Convention Center				