

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! We would also like to recognize some outstanding projects that will be representing Valrico at the Hillsborough County School District S.T.E.M. Fair on February 12, 2025.

INDIVIDUALS

3rd Grade

Adalynn Swartz
Mrs. Coffey
Maryn Mitchum
Mrs. Lorentzen
Trey McLafferty
Mrs. Coffey
Rosalie Darner
Mrs. Kubler



4th Grade

-Henry Tanner
Mrs. Brocato
-Zoey Comer
Mr. Jackson
-Penelope Maclin
Mrs. Brocato
-Carson Pulcifer
Mr. Jackson



5th Grade

-Zoey Santiago-Colon
Mr. Jackson
-Gabriel
Hernandez-Perez
Mrs. Young
-Jase Smith
Mr. Jackson
-Andrew Pareja
Mr. Jackson

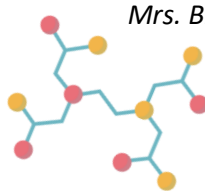


GROUPS

3rd Grade:

-Jaxon Fowler &
Audreigh Guerrero
Mrs. Lorentzen

-Eva-Figuero-Garcia
Mrs. Lorentzen
& Riley Mobley
Mrs. Coffey



4th Grade:

-Allison Rhine &
Liam Watson
Mrs. Brocato



5th Grade:

-Luke Pulcifer &
Yamiel DeJesus
Mr. Jackson



Parent Teacher Conferences

Our Spring conference night will be held on *February 20th from 3:00-8:00 p.m.* Parent-Teacher Conferences are an important opportunity to 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 Conference options. You can also request a conference. We encourage parent involvement! Thank you!



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Attendance
Matters

Make every day count!
School success starts
with attendance!

FloridaVPK

Valrico Elementary is pleased to announce that we will be offering Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten for the 2025-2026 school year. We will be accepting 20 VPK children to join our ESE PEEPS 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 district mandated points system/waitlist. There is no fee for the 3 hour VPK time frame (time frame will be determined). Extended day options are available for an additional fee. **Registration forms will be available on Monday, February 3rd, 2025. Parents/Guardians must come in person to the office to complete and submit the form. Families who will be offered a seat will be notified via phone call on Friday, March 28, 2025.**

VPK children must be four by September 1, 2025 and be eligible (for the first time) to enter kindergarten in the Fall of 2026.

READY FOR KINDERGARTEN

WITH READY FREDDY™

February 24, 2025

@ 4:30 PM



Please join us on Monday, February 24, 2025 at 4:30PM in our Multipurpose Room for our Ready for Kindergarten event! Ready for Kindergarten is for families of students entering Kindergarten in the 2025-2026 school year. This informative meeting will go over what to expect as your child enters Kindergarten and introduce families to School Administration, Kindergarten Teachers, and other school support staff. The following documents are required to be brought in to complete the registration prior to the start of the 2025-2026 school year:

- ◆ Parent/Guardian ID
- ◆ Your child's birth certificate
- ◆ Two (2) forms showing Proof of Residence (valid State ID with current address, mortgage statement, purchase agreement, homestead exemption, a current utility bill, or current lease/rental agreement)
- ◆ Florida Physical Form
- ◆ Up-to-date Immunization Record

We look forward to meeting our incoming Valrico Hawks!

**DON'T
FORGET!**

IMPORTANT REMINDER

- Instruction begins **promptly** at **7:40AM**. Please ensure that your student has enough time to get to class and be in their homeroom seat at 7:40. Students that are not in their homeroom at 7:40 will be marked tardy.
- If your student is tardy, a parent or guardian must escort them inside the building to sign in at the front office.
- Early sign outs **end at 1:15**.
- If you need to change your child's dismissal plan for the day, please send a note or call to let us know **no later than 1:15**. This helps to ensure that we are able to get your child to the requested dismissal destination.
- There are no other early release days until our last day of school on May 30, 2025. Dismissal is at 1:55 daily.

Thanks for your cooperation!

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

PLEASE LIMIT BIRTHDAY TREATS TO ONE ITEM PER STUDENT. ALL TREATS MUST BE STORE BOUGHT, INDIVIDUALLY PORTIONED (NO SHEET CAKES), AND HAVE AN INGREDIENTS LABEL. WE CANNOT ACCEPT GOODIE BAGS, BALLOONS, DRINKS, CANDLES, OR ANY OTHER DELIVERIES.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

SAC
SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

The School Advisory Council (SAC) is inviting you to nominate new members for the 2025-2026 school year. The purpose of SAC is to assist the principal in the development, implementation, and monitoring of the School Improvement Plan (SIP). If you would like to contribute to the success of our school and students by serving on SAC, or would like to nominate someone to serve, please email Mrs. Miranda by March 10 at Bernice.Miranda@hcps.net.



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Instagram!
Email Us!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

VALRICO ELEMENTARY JUBILEE

4PM-7PM

VALRICO ELEMENTARY
PTA MEMBERS: \$10
NON-MEMBERS: \$13
AT THE DOOR: \$15

PARENTS ARE FREE! CHILDREN 3 & UNDER ARE FREE!

INCLUDED IN ARMBAND PRICE:

- ACCESS TO INFLATABLE SLIDES
- OBSTACLE COURSES
- JUMBO LAWN GAMES
- CARNIVAL GAMES & PRIZES
- FACE PAINTING
- BALLOON ARTIST
- MUSIC & DANCING
- CAKE WALK
- GLITTER TATOOS
- TEMPORARY TATOOS
- HAIR CHALK/COLOR
- SACK RACES
- HULA HOOPS
- COOKIES
- POPCORN
- WATER
- FUN WITH FRIENDS & FAMILY

AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE
PARADISE SNOW CONES
SILENT AUCTION
4:00PM-6:30PM

CARNIVAL FOOD
CASH ONLY
PIZZA: \$2
HOT DOGS: \$1
NACHOS: \$1
SOFT PRETZEL: \$1
SODA: \$1
WATER, POPCORN & COOKIE: FREE



February 11
Chick-Fil-A
Spirit Night!
Reminder!
Due to hurricanes
Helene & Milton,
there *is* school on
February
14th and 17th!

HAPPY
Valentine's Day!

SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES WEEK

FEBRUARY 3-7

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our students, staff, and families, EVERY day!

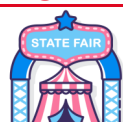
KRISTEN CALDWELL
SOCIAL WORKER

CHRISTY OLIVER
SCHOOL COUNSELOR

MARIA ARZOLA
PSYCHOLOGIST



IMPORTANT



VES IS OPEN
Friday, February 14
Fair Day

IMPORTANT

PRESIDENT'S DAY



VES IS OPEN
Monday, February 17
President's Day

IMPORTANT



VES IS CLOSED
Monday, March 3
Festival Day



Join HCPS at our 4th Annual Race for Education 5K on Saturday, April 12, 2025, as we move to improve mental and physical wellness while celebrating and supporting our students, teachers, and school district initiatives.

Runners and walkers of all ages and fitness levels, come out for a fun-filled race down North Boulevard and over the Hillsborough River. There will be giveaways, snacks, refreshments, student performances, and music to amp up our runners as they race through downtown.

To register visit www.runsignup.com/Race/FL/Tampa/HEF5K



In recognition of demonstrating a
positive attitude, good character,
and responsible citizenship.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JANUARY TERRIFIC KIDS!

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

The character trait is **Resilience**. "Getting back up when something gets you down"

Zoraia Turner

Jaseri Johnson

Easton Nething

Lazaro Rodriguez Jauregu

Lukas Reyes Vento

Lincoln Bockelman

Adalyn Swartz

Quentin Coney

Camilla Koovakada

Logan Grimaldi

Xaerion Henry

Nathalia Felipe Carmona

Enzo Cruz

Nikolai Jovanovic

Brekyn Golczynski

Charlotte Witzler

Aria Patram

Noemy Biondolillo

Carter Sweat

Liam Gamsky Hust

Griezmann Castillo Lopez

Amalia Velazquez

Reagan Mosley

Ilima Masri

Michael Brown

Korah Cole

Antonella Machado Salazar

Carson Way

Kaiyah Vinson

Truly Dandy

Taylor Combs

Iree Lugo

La'Mayah Lane

Rosalee Moore

Roderick VanCanon

Marco Ortega

Julie Caldwell

Chevy Gaab





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