*Please share this information with your friends and neighbors.*

Our Ready for Kindergarten Event for the 2021-22 School Year will be available to families in a virtual video format beginning the week of February 22nd. This is an informative video of what to expect as your child enters Kindergarten.

To register to receive the Ready for Kindergarten video link along with registration information and documents, please visit our event registration page:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4ca4aa28a3fbcf8-virtual

(Registration link also available on our school website under “School News”.)

The required documents needed to register your child for kindergarten:

- Certified copy of your child’s birth certificate
- Social Security Card
- Up-to-date Immunization Record
- Florida Physical form
- 2 forms of Proof of Residence (utility bill, lease/purchase of home)
- Parental/Guardian ID

These documents are required to complete the registration process prior to the start of the 2021-2022 school year. If you do not have all the above documents ready at this time, we still encourage you to fill out the Enrollment Form and return it to our office with the paperwork you do have now. We will add to your child’s file as you complete any outstanding items. Please call our office at (813) 744-6777 with any questions. Thank you!

### Spring Portraits & Fall Retakes

**Picture Days**

**Brick & Mortar Students: Friday, Feb. 19th**

Spring Individual Photos are on Friday, February 19th. Every child will be photographed on this day. A few weeks later, pictures will be sent home to preview with an option to buy or return the package. No need to pre-pay! Fall Picture Retakes will also be done on this day. Students who are scheduled for Fall Retakes will have an order form sent home the week of Feb. 15th.

**E-Learning Students: Monday, Feb. 22nd, 1:30-3:30**

Reserve your child’s portrait time for Monday, February 22nd via Strawbridge Studios’s SignUpGenius: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c4baee2f03fe-3-1102671 (Link also available on our school website.) Time slots will be available from 1:30-3:30 by appointment only. Reservation is for Fall Retakes and/or Spring Portraits. Please plan accordingly and arrive on time. Photos will be taken in a room close to the front office. Plan to park in the side Visitor Lot and walk up to the office for further direction.
Our spring 2020-2021 school year VIRTUAL conference night will be held on **Thursday, February 25, 2021 from 3:00-8:00 p.m.** Parent-Teacher Conferences are an important opportunity to discuss your child’s progress in school with their teacher. Please be on the look out in your child’s agenda for additional information from the teacher. You can also contact your child’s teacher to request a conference. We encourage parent involvement.

**New for eLearning Students: Book Checkout Days!**

The following Mondays are designated Book checkout days for interested eLearners:
- **Monday, Feb. 1st** - 1:30-2:30
- **Monday, March 1st** - 1:30 - 2:30
- **Monday, April 5th** - 1:30 - 2:30

Please drive to the back of the school & park along the car line curb. This will allow students to enter/exit vehicles safely. Only students will be permitted to enter the Media Center. Note: Valrico staff will be available to escort Kindergartners & new to VES students to/from cars to the Media Center.

Please monitor your child’s health prior to coming on campus and remember to have your child wear their mask.

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**Florida 4-H Public Speaking Contest - VIRTUAL**

4th and 5th grade student participants should turn speeches in to their teacher by Friday, February 5th. A student from each homeroom will advance to the school competition on February 19th. A link will be shared to 4th and 5th grade classes on Canvas for families to view our talented speakers! School winners will have the opportunity to move on to the district’s virtual competition! Please contact your child’s ELA teacher for additional details.

**Valrico STEM Fair**

All classes will be participating in a school level STEM Fair! Students will have the opportunity to view class projects on display in the Media Center during the week of February 1st and pictures will be posted on our school website. We welcome individual students to participate in our Valrico STEM Fair as well! Details will be shared by your child’s science teacher. Due to this year’s limitations, we will not be participating in the district level competition.

**Important Valentine’s Day Exchange Information**

In an effort to keep our students healthy and safe, all Valentine cards should be brought to school by **Monday, February 8th** to allow for a quarantine period before being exchanged. No unwrapped treats or goodies will be exchanged. Thank you for your cooperation! E-learning teachers will reach out to their students for virtual valentines.
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**SAC 1:20**
Early Release Day!

PTA Spirit Night
5:00—8:00

**Chick-fil-A**

**NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

**NO SCHOOL FOR KINDERGARTEN KICKOFF**

Progress Alerts Go Home This Week

Virtual Ready for Kindergarten Kickoff this week—See info in newsletter for sign up details

E-Learners—Spring Individual Portraits & Fall Retakes

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Dress Your Best Spirit Day

Celebrate Numbers Spirit Day

On picture day, park in side Visitor Lot & report to front office.