



Valley Cottage Elementary • October 2016

What's Going On at VCE?

The Monthly Current Events Calendar of the Family Resource Center

Ongoing District FRC Programs...

For Pre-Schoolers:

- **Cuentos, Canciones y Artesanía:**
Martes, 1:00-2:30pm,
@ Nyack Library
20 de Sept - 29 de Nov.
Para niños de 3-5 años con adulto. Ayude a su hijo a prepararse para la escuela! Gratis para todos!
- **Nyack Parent Child Home Program:** A home-based early literacy program for income eligible families with 18-mo – 3 yr. old child, that promotes learning and language development through the use of books and toys. Call the FRC for more info.
- **Free and Reduced lunch applications** available in FRC. Call or come by!
- **Donation Station:** Families needing help accessing specific items such as school supplies, clothing, etc. just email or call the FRC. We can help!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Oct. 3,4: No School – Rosh Hashanah
Oct. 10: No School-Columbus Day
Oct. 12: No School - Yom Kippur
Oct. 15: Trunk-or-Treat VCE
Oct. 28: VC Book Fair Kickoff @ 7pm

WELCOME NIGHT AT NYACK CENTER

Tuesday, October 18th from 5:30-7pm at the Nyack Center, 58 Depew Ave. Nyack. Meet your superintendent, principal, ESL teachers and FRC staff! There will be lots of great resources, information and an opportunity to speak with staff. We will provide free childcare and there will be Spanish and Creole translators available...and a **free pizza dinner!** Program is sponsored by Nyack School's Family Resource Centers and Nyack Center.

FIFTH GRADE GIRL'S CIRCLE:

Wednesdays beginning October 19th during 5th grade lunch.

Coordinated by school social worker, Brett Sloane and FRC Coordinator, Julie Kassel, this workshop is designed to help girls develop resilience, express their feelings, learn about each other and have fun through verbal sharing and creative activity

CHECK OUT OUR NEW FRC WEBPAGE

In keeping with Nyack district's goal of going paperless and provide all information electronically, you can now access FRC information, programs, and resources on our new webpage.

1. Go to "nyackschools.org"
2. Click on "Parent Resources"
3. Scroll down to "Family Resource Center"
4. Click on "Valley Cottage" under "Contacts"

For families that do not own a computer, FRC staff is available to help you access school information and the parent portal on your cell phone. Just call or stop in anytime.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS:

- **Nyack Library: FREE Homework Help at Nyack Library:** Beginning on September 26th, Mon. – Thurs, 4:30 – 6:30 when school is in session
- **Valley Cottage Library: "School Closing Crafts",** Drop in-no registration. - Monday, Oct. 10th.
- **Hopper House:** Families are invited to come on the Second Sunday of each month to participate in an engaging workshop led by artists. The program will be "drop in" between 1 and 3 PM and the materials fee will require a \$5 contribution from Members and \$7 for non- members.
- **Annual Halloween Parade:** Saturday, Oct. 29th : 5-7pm
- **Nyack Center Monster Mash,** Oct. 29th: 5-8pm
- **Patient Parenting:** A commonsense parenting workshop facilitated by Dr. Vahid Najafi and sponsored by Mental Health Association. Six sessions: Sept. 22nd through Oct. 27th from 6-8pm held at 140 Rt. 303. Call: 845-267-2172 for more info.
- **Check out what else is going on in Nyack this month:**
<http://www.nyacknewsandviews.com/nnavcalendar/>

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Hours: Mon – Fri: 9-3pm

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