



Valley Cottage Elementary • DECEMBER 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  
Dec 6, 13.

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:** If you need help accessing specific items such as school supplies, clothing, etc. just email or call the FRC. We can help!

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

**Dec. 6, 13:** Early Dismissal for Parent Teacher Conferences,  
**Dec. 8:** Evening Conferences, 6-8pm

**Dec. 14: 7:30pm.:** VCE PTA Meeting

**Dec. 21: 9:30am, Grades 1-2 Concert**

**Dec. 26-Jan. 2:**

Winter Recess - No School

## REMINDER-PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Afternoon Conferences: **Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** and **Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**

Evening conferences: **Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**

If you are not sure of the date and time of your conference, call the Family Resource Center at 353-7291.

## HOLIDAY GIVING

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Holiday Giving Program. We will continue to collect funds to purchase Shop Rite gift cards for VCE school families until Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in making a donation to help a family during the holidays, please send in **cash or a check made out to VCE PTA** and return it in an envelope with your name and child's teacher's name on it to the Family Resource Center. Any amount is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

## Temperature's Dropping...

...but we still like to get the children outside for recess so they can get some fresh air and exercise. **Please** don't forget to send your child to school with warm jackets, hats, and gloves. If you need help obtaining warm clothing, call the FRC at 845-353-7291.

Happy  
Holidays!

## COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS:

- **SPECIAL ED PARENT WORKSHOP: IEP Strategies & Development, Special Ed Laws, Resources to empower effective participation in your child's education!**  
**Rockland County BOCES 65 Parrott Road, Bldg #10 Friday, Dec 2, 9am – 2pm**  
Email [sbellantoni@wihd.org](mailto:sbellantoni@wihd.org) to register, 914-493-7665
- **Nyack Center: Music & Readings In the Holiday Spirit, Sunday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 7-9pm.**  
Find tickets here: <http://www.nyackcenter.org/nyack-center-events.html>
- **Nyack Library: FREE Homework Help at Nyack Library:**  
**Mon. – Thurs, 4:30 – 6:30** when school is in session
- **Valley Cottage Library: "School Closing Crafts", Drop in, no registration needed - Wednesday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>.**
- **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.**
- **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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