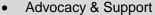


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What's Going On at VCE?

The Monthly Current Events Calendar of the Family Resource Center

FREE PROGRAMS/SERVICES



- Community Resources: family services, support groups, medical/insurance providers, summer camp assistance and much more
- Outreach and Information Events
- Charitable Programs including Holiday Giving, Donation Station
- Translation Services
- Waldron Terrace HW Club support
- Free School Supplies
- Free Kids books
- Monthly FRC Newsletter
- Student Support Groups
- Early Morning Meditation

If you have concerns, requests or suggestions, please let us know.

WE ARE HERE TO HELP



FAMILIES HELPING FAMILIES



With the beginning of the New Year comes an opportunity to reflect on the extraordinary generosity of the VCE community. The Family Resource Center collaborated with school and community, once again, to make this holiday season a little easier for our more vulnerable families. Thanks to donations from VCE staff members, families and the *Blue Knight Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club*, over 55 students received holiday gifts (toys, hoodies, books and pajamas).

Families also gave generously to our FRC Supermarket Gift Card drive providing gift cards to 25 families in need. Special thanks to the Holiday Giving Team: Mrs. O'Sullivan, Mrs. Handt, Mrs. Byrne, Mrs. Farrugia, Mrs. Chilson, Mrs. Sinistovic, Mrs. Viviano and Mrs. Fimmano for their help with coordinating this fundraising effort and donations! We could not have done it without YOU! Thank you for your support



Best wishes for a Happy and Healthy New Year!



ONGOING PROGRAMS:

5TH GRADE BOY'S COUNCIL

Six weeks of activities, games and discussion designed to promote boys' natural strengths and abilities and create opportunities for the development of strong, healthy relationships.

NYACK PARENT-CHILD HOME PROGRAM (PCHP), an evidence-based early literacy, parenting, and school readiness model, committed to closing the achievement gap by providing low-income families the skills and materials they need to prepare their **children** for school and life success. Call 845-3353-7291

DONATION STATION: Help families anonymously with specific items in times of need or crisis. Call the FRC to be added to our email list, or to make a specific request for your family.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Jan. 2: School Reopens Jan. 8: Nyack Basics Launch @ Admin.: All children reading by 3rd grade.

Jan. 10: VCE PTA Meeting Jan 12: VCE Family Game Night

Jan. 18: VCE Grs. 3-5 Concert @HS 7pm

IMPORTANT RESOURCES:

- ➤ HOMEWORK HELP AT THE NYACK LIBRARY for children in grades K-5 Mondays-Thursdays, 4-6pm
- ➤ PARENT TOOLKIT For academic resources in English and Spanish, Pre-K thru High School, you can go to: http://www.parenttoolkit.com/
- Dial 211 for comprehensive information for health/human services in Rockland.
- ➤ FREE TRANSPORTATION TO DOCTOR APPOINTMENTS!
 From your house to Main or Twin in Spring Valley or Suffern Refuah Health center Locations. Call: 845-425-4623. If you have MEDICAID, call 845-364-3040.
- > HRH Care/Urgent Care Clinic is NOW OPEN! 84 N. Highland Avenue, Nyack:845-770-9980. Family Practice also available.

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