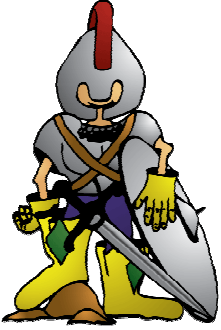


# Valley Christian Academy Good News

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**This Week's Riddle:**  
What do you call a shy  
lamb?

Stop by the school office  
with the correct answer  
and you will receive a  
treat!! ☺

**Last week's riddle:**  
What do you call a lazy  
doctor?  
Answer: Dr. Doolittle ☺

**"For by grace  
you have been  
saved through  
faith, and that  
not of  
yourselves; it  
is the gift of  
God, not of  
works, lest  
anyone should  
boast."  
-Ephesians  
2:8-9**

## Reading Logs

All Reading Logs are due tomorrow, December 5<sup>th</sup>, so that your child may receive credit for the first half of the year.

## Christmas Gift Shop

Our annual Christmas Gift Shop is tomorrow, December 5<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. This is a wonderful time for the students to shop for their loved ones. **Please know that we will not allow the children to shop for their selves.** Each class has signed up for a designated date and time. A letter and envelope (order form) went home with your child last week. Please fill out the order form and select a dollar amount you would like your child to spend on each person selected. Any change will be sent home. What a wonderful time for the children to do extra chores around the house and earn their shopping money.

## Drums and Guitar Performance

Our Drum and Guitar class will perform in Chapel on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. We would like to encourage our families to join us for their presentation. ☺

## Spirit Day – Wednesday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>

Spirit day is Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and the theme is "Christmas Dress". Students are encouraged to participate and wear their Christmas Dress. They may dress as their favorite Bible character or wear their red, green and white and show their Christmas spirit. All attire **MUST** be God-pleasing. **Reindeer, santa, and elves will not be permitted.**

## Minimum Day/Lost and Found

Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> is a minimum day which means school is out at noon. All students are required to wear their Chapel uniform- this is NOT a free dress day.

**Lost and Found** - Please check our lost and found for your child's belongings. Any items left in the lost and found after Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> will be donated to charity.

## Christmas Plays

Our **Kindergarten program will be on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 3pm** and our **Elementary program (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> grades) will be Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm.** These are two events you will not want to miss. The children work so hard to prepare for these programs, so we want to encourage you to come out and see their performance. The teachers will be sending home specific information about what the children should wear and what time to be here so keep an eye out for this to come home soon! **All of our families are encouraged to join us for these two events!** ☺

## Christmas Break Schedule

We realize we just returned from Thanksgiving break; however, Christmas break is just three weeks away. It is important that we notify our families of our Christmas schedule. **Daycare will be open during the Christmas break with the exception of Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>; Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>; and Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>.** The students return from Christmas break on Tuesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please be sure you mark your calendars. ☺

# December

4 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade field trip to Mission San Juan Capistrano	5 -Reading Logs due -3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade field trip (Whale Watching)	6	7	8 -Chapel: Drum & Guitar Performance and Dress Rehearsal Elementary Christmas Play at 9am
<b>Christmas Gift Shop – 12/5 thru 12/7</b>				
11	12	13 Spirit Day – Christmas Dress	14	15 - <b>Minimum Day</b> -Kindergarten Christmas Play at 3pm -Elementary Christmas Play at 7pm
<b>Christmas Break – Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> thru Jan. 1<sup>st</sup></b>				
18	19	20	21	22 <b>Daycare CLOSED in observance of Christmas Eve</b>

## Pre-K Ms. Perez/ Miss Jones

Color	Shape	Letter	Number
Purple	Star	Hh	12

Pre-K will celebrate Jesus' birth on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Please send in one wrapped coloring book along with \$5 to help cover the cost of pizza and goodies. ☺ Parents are encouraged to join us. Let us remember how God showed His love towards us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world that we might live through Him. (1 John 4:9)

## Kindergarten

Wow! We have been working hard getting ready for our Christmas Program on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 3pm. Further information will go home next week.

Our class party is on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. This is also a minimum day. Please see the sign-up sheet posted on our parent board outside of Kindergarten.

Have a blessed week! ☺

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

First grade will have a Christmas party on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up to bring something for the potluck.

The Christmas gift shop is this week. First grade students may shop at the Christmas gift shop on Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.

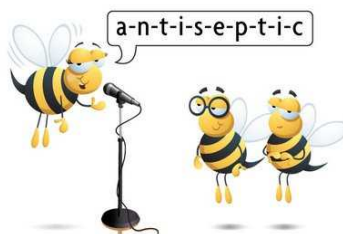


## 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

The Christmas Gift Shop is this week. Second grade will go shopping tomorrow, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am.

Christmas Play dress Rehearsal is this Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> in Chapel at 9am. The performance is next Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

Congratulations to our class Spelling Bee Finalists – Cayden, Ciera, Jacob, Nora and our winner Shane.



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Congratulations to Remy Santos as he earned this week's clean desk award! ☺

Our field trip to Davey's Locker is tomorrow, December 5<sup>th</sup>. All students are to arrive at VCA by 7:45am. We will leave precisely at 8am!

Christmas Gift Shop is this week. Third grade will go shopping this Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Please keep an eye out for details this week regarding our upcoming History Project on Washington, D.C.



## 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

The fourth grade class went to Mission San Juan Capistrano today. All of the children had a great time.

This week's tests/projects due:  
 Wednesday, 12/6 – Language test on Encyclopedia's, Punctuation & Capitalization  
 Thursday, 12/7 – Science Ch. 4 test  
 Friday, 12/8 – Math test on decimals;  
 Mission Project and Report due



## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Fifth grade would love to schedule a field trip as soon as we have a couple more of approved drivers. At this time we have two approved Volunteer Drivers.

Christmas Gift Shop is this week. Our class will be going shopping on Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.



## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Upcoming party and gift exchange is on Friday, December 15 at 11:00am. There is a sign-up sheet on our parent board. Our gift exchange has a firm \$10.00 limit. Boys should bring a wrapped boy's gift tagged BOY, and girls bring a wrapped girl's gift tagged GIRL. If you choose not to participate, please let Mrs. Mayer know before Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Sixth grade will do a short, special presentation in Chapel on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Parents are encouraged to attend.

Our non-fiction book reports are due by Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## Jr. High

We have a Christmas party on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Please keep an eye out for the details Mr. Sweiss sent home last week.

Boys Jr. High P.E. is learning basketball skills and playing half quart games this quarter. Be sure your child is getting plenty of rest on school nights and enjoying a good breakfast before they come to school each day.



## “Something Fantastic”

*In The News at VCA*

*Congratulations to our Spelling Bee winners as they will go on to represent VCA at the ACSI District Spelling Bee on Friday, January 26th.*

*Hadassah Maina, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade;  
 Shane Gregory, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade;  
 Mathias Wong, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade;  
 Sunshine Gregory, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade;  
 Angel Torres, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade;  
 Cyril De Guzman, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade*

## Students of the Week

Pre-K – Leila Gipson  
 Kind. – Angela Wang  
 1<sup>st</sup> – Leonard Holman  
 2<sup>nd</sup> – Justin Fagan  
 3<sup>rd</sup> – Coral Thornton  
 4<sup>th</sup> – Joshua Coombs  
 5<sup>th</sup> – Angel Torres  
 6<sup>th</sup> – Alexandra Dimen  
 7<sup>th</sup> – Angelynna Vazquez  
 8<sup>th</sup> – Manasse Musakwa

## Bible Verses

PK – Rom. 8:28a	4 <sup>th</sup> – Psalm 86:12
K – John 3:16	5 <sup>th</sup> – Psalm 121:1-2
1 <sup>st</sup> – Psalm 86:11	6 <sup>th</sup> – Luke 2: 4-7
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Matt. 1:21	7 <sup>th</sup> – Matt. 2:9-11
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Rom. 10:9-10	8 <sup>th</sup> – 2 Cor. 5:17-19