

Third Quarter High Honor/ Honor Roll

To qualify for the High Honor Roll, a student needs to maintain A's in all subjects. Honor requires a student to maintain all A's & B's in all subjects.

Congratulations to the following students who were placed on the Honor or High Honor Roll for the third quarter, beginning January 20, 2018 and ending March 23, 2018.

HIGH HONOR ROLL:

First Grade: Calista Beers
 Second Grade: Hannah Davis
 Fifth Grade: Ty Babcock
 Adrienne Hodge
 Evan Moore
 Damien Murphy
 Sixth Grade: Annika Armstrong
 Tenth Grade: Ryan Brooks
 Macey Montgomery
 Eleventh Grade: Shelby Husted
 Autumn Pope
 Meghan Van Althuis
 Twelfth Grade: Jason Graham

HONOR ROLL:

Second Grade: Zachary Brooks
 Third Grade: Taylor Hodge
 Fifth Grade: Talia Babcock
 Sixth Grade: Kurt Downey
 Jessup Ross
 Seventh Grade: Parker Wier
 Eighth Grade: Morgan Hodge
 Hannah Pope
 Ninth Grade: Madison VanAlthuis
 Tenth Grade: Jenea Evans
 Twelfth Grade: Grace DuVall
 Alex Evans
 Jonathan Lawrence
 Aidan Lowie

Congratulations Students!



Mark Your Calendar

It is hard to believe we are down to the last six weeks of school! With that said, there are many activities taking place; some that directly affect you, and some that might not. We would like to let you see what is coming so you don't miss anything. Realize this list has new things added frequently and we will try to let everyone know of changes ASAP. Please feel free to contact the office with any questions. This information is also on our website: www.vhcaonline.com

MAY:

- 2: Casual Dress Day & Breakfast B4 School
- 4: End Mid 4th Quarter
- 4: Early Registration Discount Deadline
- 9: Interim Reports go home
- 10: K - 6th trip to TheaterWorks
- 14: No School - Snow Day
- 18: K - 4th trip to Utica Zoo (Rain Date: 6/5)
- 19: 16th Annual Walk-a-thon
- 23: K - 6th Popsicles for Parents
- 24: 5th - 6th trip to Albany
- 24: K testing in am & K4 testing in pm
- 24: K early dismissal
- 24: Tuition Assistance Sign-up Deadline
- 25 - 28: No School for Memorial Day
- 31: Family Night: Pizza & Fun 6:00 in gym

Looking ahead to June:

- 1: Yearbook Extravaganza
- 6: Casual Dress Day
- 7: K Last Day & Graduation at 6:30 p.m.
- 7 & 8: High School Finals
- 8: End of 4th Quarter
- 11: Darien Lake trip
- 14: Awards Night at 7:00 p.m.
- 16: Sr. Graduation at 10:00 a.m.

May 2nd is Casual Dress Day

Wednesday, May 2nd is Casual Dress Day for those who have not lost their Casual Day privilege.

HOME MEMO

April 30, 2018

Valley Heights Christian Academy

75 Calvary Drive, Norwich NY 13815 - 607-336-8422



Walk-a-thon Reminders

- **16th Annual Walk-a-thon Saturday, May 19th** from 10:00 - 2:00 p.m. Early registration begins at 9:00 a.m. at Tops Parking Lot until 10:00 when we will be escorted by the Norwich City Police to the Fairgrounds.
- Rain or shine! Bring an umbrella and sunscreen!
- **Do not** bring sponsorship money, just bring your sheet. That way no money will get misplaced.
- No Bikes or Dogs please.
- We still need more **volunteers** to sign-up to work a station during the event.
- **Bake Sale** items are gladly accepted. Baked goods can be dropped off at school on Friday or at the fairgrounds on Saturday before 10:00 a.m. if possible.
- Walkers should continue securing sponsors! We do not encourage door-to-door solicitations, so please only ask family members and friends you know.
- Great prizes will be awarded to the top individuals who meet specific criteria. All prizes are awarded during the Awards Night Program on June 14th at 7:00 p.m.
- Walk-a-thon Shirt Casual Days will be announced leading up to the event.

Please contact the school office if you need further information regarding this year's Walk-a-thon. More Sponsor Sheets are available if you need more!



VHCA graduates are invited to support our annual fundraiser this year! We would like as many as possible to come walk with us! Any alumni that RSVP to the school office by May 11th will receive a FREE Alumni T-shirt they can wear at the event. Any alumni who raise \$50 or more in sponsorships will also be entered in a drawing for a special VHCA prize! We look forward to seeing many familiar faces back walking the track again with our current students.

SNOW DAY: MON., MAY 14th!

Norwich City School is planning a Snow Day on Monday, May 14th so VHCA is also be having a Snow Day! The school and office will be closed that day. Enjoy!

Early Re-enrollment Discount

We are encouraging VHCA families to re-enroll their children for the next school year. Knowing the approximate number of returning students early helps us keep our commitments to families, staff and the children of our school. The re-enrollment fees are **per child**, not per family.

Early Re-enrollment Fee: \$150 if paid by May 4th.

After May 4th, the fee will be **\$200 until June 2nd**. After June 2nd, the fee will be **\$250**.

Tuition Assistance for 18/19 School Year

Families applying for financial aid will need to complete an online application and submit the necessary supporting documentation to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment by **May 24, 2018**.

Applicants **must** apply online at <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3M9XJ>

A nonrefundable \$30 application fee must be received by FACTS in order to process your application.

If you have questions or concerns about the application process, you may speak with a FACTS Customer Care Representative at 1-866-315-9262.

Please keep in mind the application must be completed and supporting documentation must be submitted to FACTS by **May 24, 2018**.

Just a
THOUGHT
from the Administrator's Office

Over the last couple of months, my column has focused on some foundational truths of the importance of Christian education. Developing a biblical worldview in our young people will have a major impact on the next generation. Here at Valley Heights Christian Academy, we seek to teach and train our students to have an intimate and dynamic relationship with God, and to share Him with others. A biblical approach to education is needed now more than ever before. And so...

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

In order to try and make VHCA affordable for families in our region we must raise the necessary funds to keep tuition low. We understand the sacrifice that our school families make for their children to be given a Christian education, and we have made the commitment to keeping tuition as low as possible. Through our Founders' Fund, Scholarship Fund, and other donations, this has become a reality for so many. This year, however, we have a great need to use fundraisers in order to maintain the low tuition levels. And our largest fundraiser is right around the corner! So again...

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

On Saturday, May 19th at the Chenango County Fairgrounds, we will hold our 16th Annual VHCA Walk-A-Thon. There are a number of ways for you to help and one of the biggest ways is to sponsor a staff member or student. Would you prayerfully consider sacrificially sponsoring someone this year? Could you give \$50? \$100? \$500? \$1,000 or more? Like the parable Jesus told of the widow and her two coins, the value isn't in the cash amount given, but rather in the sacrifice that was made. You could also just plainly give a donation to the school for all the expenses we have just to make this event take place. The school board, staff, and faculty will be grateful for whatever donation you can make to the school.

We will also be recognizing past VHCA graduates, so if you are one, or know a VHCA graduate, please tell them to call the school (336-8422), visit our website (www.vhcaonline.com) or visit our Facebook page to learn more about what's new this year for alumni!

Christian education is vital to the next generation of young people. Please consider what part you can make for this to become a reality for so many children in the years to come!

Not a sermon...just a thought.

Mr. Hodge

Family Service Program Reminder

Many families have been working throughout the year to get their required volunteer hours for the Family Service Program. Please keep in mind, as we get closer to the end of the school year, that those hours need to be fulfilled before June 10th or there will be a \$10 fee for every hour that wasn't filled. We still have many opportunities coming up that include our Annual Walk-a-thon and many year-end fieldtrips. If you are wondering how you can get your volunteer hours in, please call the school office and we can give you some ideas. Don't wait until it is too late!!!

Pre-order Your 2017-2018 Yearbook NOW!

Yearbooks are on sale for **\$20!**

Don't wait and take a chance because the price could always go up...order one (or more) NOW!

To place your order, please see a yearbook representative or send your money into the office.

Watch for details as the Yearbook Extravaganza is being planned for Friday, June 1st!

Online Payments & Donations Accepted

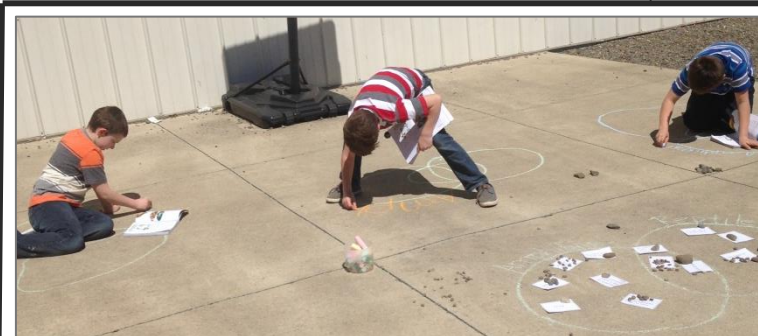
We take tuition payments right on our website. Click on the "Parents" Tab and go down to "Make a Payment." You just have to put in your child's name and enter your credit card information. We can also take payments over the phone or in person.

We accept cash, checks, or credit/debit card payments.

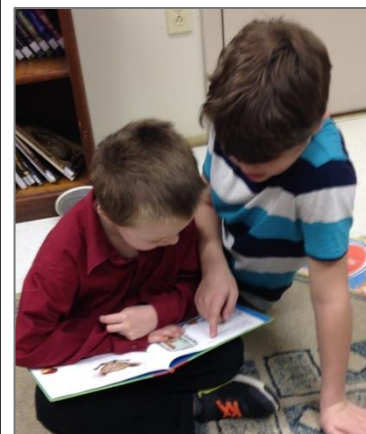
Remember, payments are due on the **10th of each month** from August thru June. There is a \$25 fee if late payments are made.

There is also a "Make A Donation" Tab all the way to the right of the "Parents" tab for anyone lead to do just that...Make A Donation!

FUN IN THE ELEMENTARY CLASSROOMS



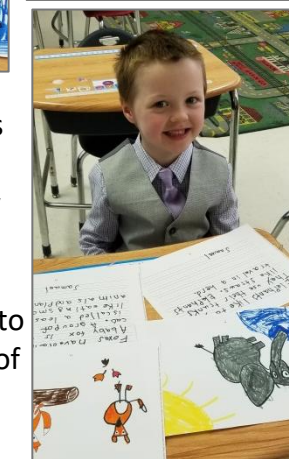
3rd and 4th graders made Venn diagrams to compare amphibians and reptiles.



K-5 are pictured with their 3rd & 4th grade Reading Buddies. They have been taking turns reading to one another in the library.



Mrs. Lewandowski's Kindergarten class created a book they are now getting published. The students were able to purchase a copy of the book if they chose to.



Monday, April 16th a couple elementary classes had a feathered friend visit them. Kurt Downey's mother brought in one of their birds to share with the classes.



Fort Friday, April 13th the 5th & 6th grade class brought in materials to make their classroom into forts they had up during the day while they worked.

