



The Viking Pride Newsletter

Leadership Message

“Something Old, Something NEW!”

The month of December will be filled with exciting events at VERITAS Community School. We will start the month off by implementing a few new processes and finish the month by welcoming families to enjoy the traditional **Holiday’s Around the World Celebration**. This year, the traditional celebration will include a **Silent Auction**, exhibiting student art pieces, as well as a **Pre-New Year’s Celebration** for the entire family. You don’t want to miss these events!



Starting Monday December 3, 2018, we will pilot Mango Languages with our students. The program will offer a choice of Mandarin or Spanish to students. Mango Languages is a self-paced learning program that teaches languages through relevant and topical dialogue using the four key components — **vocabulary, pronunciation, grammar, and culture** — for **improving proficiency in another language**.

Artist of the Week – Anailyz Santana (Kindergarten)

Students were introduced to the element of line and how it can be used in art. They used this knowledge to create shapes and a work of art. Congratulations Anailyz!



Calendar – Two Weeks at a Glance / (Dec 3 – 14, 2018)

- **Monday December 3 – 17, 2018 – The Giving Tree Experience (Details on Second Page)**
- **Tuesday December 4 – Make Up Picture Day (uniforms only)**
- **New TRAFFIC PATTERN Tryout Starting December 10, 2018 (Stay tuned for details)**
- **Schoolwide Holiday Spirit Week (December 10 – 14, 2018)**
 - Monday (Dec 10) – Pajama Day
 - Tuesday (Dec 11) – Holiday Hat
 - Wednesday (Dec 12) – Red/Green Day
 - Thursday (Dec 13) – Mismatched Day
 - Friday (Dec 14) – Holiday Sweater Day (**Operation Healthy School Day – Details on Second Page**)
- **December 13 – Holidays Around the World/Silent Art Auction and Pre-New Years Celebration**

The Giving Tree

Helping Those
in Need



WARMING TREE & HOLIDAY GIFT CARD DRIVE AT VERITAS

December 3 – 17, 2018, VERITAS is working to spread the gift of hope and warmth to our students and their families by collecting WINTER APPAREL for our WARMING TREE, as well as GIFT CARDS for these families. Gift cards will allow parents to purchase necessities for their families.

We are collecting the following items:

Children and youth size clothing (New and Slightly Used); Gloves; Hats; Scarves; Socks and Jackets.

Gift Card Preferred Retailers: **Amazon; Target; Walmart and Grocery Stores**

Parents and students can drop off donations at the Holiday Tree in the front office or during carline.

The Kindness Wave™



**Start a ripple... Create a wave.
It begins with YOU!**

This week's **Character-Building Theme** is **KINDNESS!** From Art to PE, students will experience educational videos, restorative circles and other community building activities focusing on the importance of practicing kindness.

Greetings from NORA (Our School Mascot)



December 14, 2018 is
Operation Healthy School Day!

Please donate cleaning supplies for your child's classroom:

- Paper Towel Rolls
- Hand Soap
- Hand Sanitizer
- Lysol
- Clorox Wipes

We want to keep our students healthy during the winter season. Thank you for your help!