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Vista Ridge Academy's Newsletter

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## Calendar at a Glance

Apr. 28	Gr. 1-2 Class Play
Apr. 28	Gov't to State Capital
May 1	K-6 Music Students to Boulder
May 2	Track-&-Field Day: 1-5 pm
May 4	Gr. 1-2 to Butterfly Pavilion
May 5	K- Pre 1 <sup>st</sup> to Puppet Theater
May 6	Gymnastic Home show

## Hot Lunch

Apr. 28	Cheese Ravioli
Apr. 29	Corn Dogs
May 4	Pizza Buns
May 5	Baked Potato Bar
May 6	Spaghetti

## General Announcements

**Track & Field Day:** May 2, 2010. We will be joining Brighton Adventist Academy for our Track & Field Day. Save this date – this is a required day of school for all students. We will be working on the requirements for the Presidential Physical Fitness Challenge throughout the day. By the end of the picnic, each student will have earned the Presidential, the National or the Participant Physical Fitness Award. This includes the shuttle run, the mile race, sit-ups, push-ups and the V-sit or sit-and-reach. We will be meeting from 1-5 pm at VRA. Plan to bring your own picnic supper or snack to enjoy while the results are being tallied and the awards are being prepared. Plan to have fun and make our Brighton friends feel welcome. (Please note: Parents...we will need your help timing, counting and writing out awards. Please plan to come a few minutes early and sign-up for a task.)

In case of inclement weather please check our website at [www.vrak12.org](http://www.vrak12.org).

**School Bills:** Please make sure that your bill is up-to-

date. The school has bills to pay and needs you to keep caught up with the money that you owe the school.

**3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Spelling Bee:** Congratulations to our entire 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade class for this years participation in the Spelling Bee. All of the students did a fantastic job showing school spirit and pride. Congratulations to Alances Seiber for winning the Grand Champion! 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders that also won medals were Deric Shaffer for 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Brennan Burke for 4<sup>th</sup> Place, and Tamhelda Yalape for 6<sup>th</sup> place. 4<sup>th</sup> Graders whom received medals were Madison Becker with a 4<sup>th</sup> Place and Annabelle Spires with a 5<sup>th</sup> Place. Congratulations to Mrs. Hansen, students, and parents for all the hard work!

**Drama Performance:** The VRA Drama team invites you to come and join them on May 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 pm for their performance of "A Typically Atypical Day". This hilarious comedy was written by Richard Norquist and directed by Pastor Kevin Bowen.

**Student Sponsorship:** Please understand for the 2010-2011 school year we have a limited amount of student sponsorship. If your family is in need of Student Sponsorship please fill out and return your requests along with a copy of your 2009 Tax return by May 1, 2010. There will be no guarantees after May 1, 2010 that sponsorship will be available. Please stop by the office to pick up a Student Sponsorship form.

**Hot Lunch Cooks Luncheon:** All hot lunch cooks are invited to a luncheon on Wednesday, May 12 from 11:30am to 1:30pm. We will be returning to Si Senor's. Please call the office and let me know if you will be able to attend.

**1<sup>st</sup> Annual Florence Cornell 5K Race for Christian Education** (a.k.a. Jog-a-Thon): On Friday, May 7, we will have our FIRST 5K race! This school event is a fundraiser for the Student Sponsorship Fund. Students

please be sure to get your addresses turned into Mrs. Morgan. All students will be expected to participate in this event.

**5k Race Sponsorship/Volunteer Opportunities:** Buy a family name spot on the back of the race T-shirts for \$100. Example: The MORGAN Family. Buy a business sponsorship with your logo for \$250. Call or send me an email right away if you are interested in either or both of these sponsorship opportunities!

If you want to participate by documenting race times, registration, or running/walking with the kids, please let Cindy Morgan know soon as possible. There is always room for volunteers at such events!

## **Teacher Notes**

**Grades 1-2, Carisa Carr:** Don't forget our play "The Little Red Hen" will be performed on Wednesday, April 28 at 2:30 PM! Our field trip to the Butterfly Pavilion is on May 4.

Don't forget that K-6 Music Groups perform in Boulder this weekend. Also, this Sunday is Track & Field Day from 1-5 p.m. at VRA.

**Grades 3-4, Nancy Hansen:**

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**Grades 5-6, Sandy Hodgson:**

We now have 17 days left of school. Please encourage your student to finish strong! Grade reports

are enclosed in today's folder.

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**Music Department:** Upcoming Performances

May 1 K-6 Music Groups to Boulder Church

May 12 Picnic 'n Pops all groups performing

Music students please arrive by 10 am. Please wear nice church clothes. Please remember no jeans or jewelry.

Needed immediately – We would like to borrow black lights as soon as possible to use during Picnic 'n Pops. We would like to have them now so that we can practice with them. If you have any you are willing to loan us please call the office or Mrs. Force.

**Pathfinders:** Regular scheduled meetings are on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Meetings will tentatively be finished by 6pm, however, we will be starting the kayaking honor next meeting and depending on what we can work out with the pool, we may need to stay until 6:30 for transportation and time to change. Again, keep up with Melinda on the e-mails.

Remember we have Pathfinder Fair on May 16th. It takes place in Canon City this year and starts at 7 AM. Keep an eye on your e-mails and Melinda will let you know what we are planning for travel arrangements. We are tentatively planning a Parent Appreciation Dinner and Investiture service on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Again, keep a close eye on your correspondence with Melinda as this is still a work in progress.

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August	5	Registration
	16	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of School
September	6	Labor Day – No School
	11-12	Alumni Weekend
	27-Oct. 8	ITBS Testing
October	11-12	Fall Break – No School
	18	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Begins
November	7	Fall Festival
	22-26	Thanksgiving Vacation
December	15-16	Semester Exams – Grades 7-12
	20+	Christmas Vacation
January	4	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter Begins
	17	Martin Luther King Day – No School
February	21-22	President’s Day/Mid-Winter Break – No School
March	14-18	Spring Break
	24-26	RMC Music Festival
April	25	Easter Break – No School
May	25	Kindergarten Graduation
	26	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation – Required for All 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Students
	27-28	Senior Graduation – Required for All Juniors and Seniors