

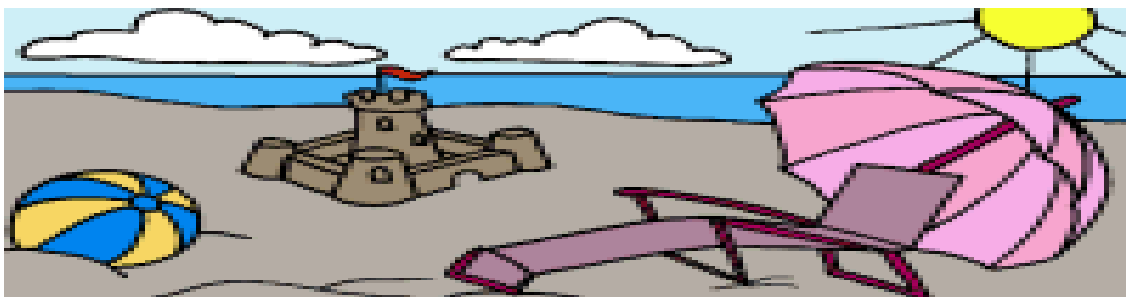
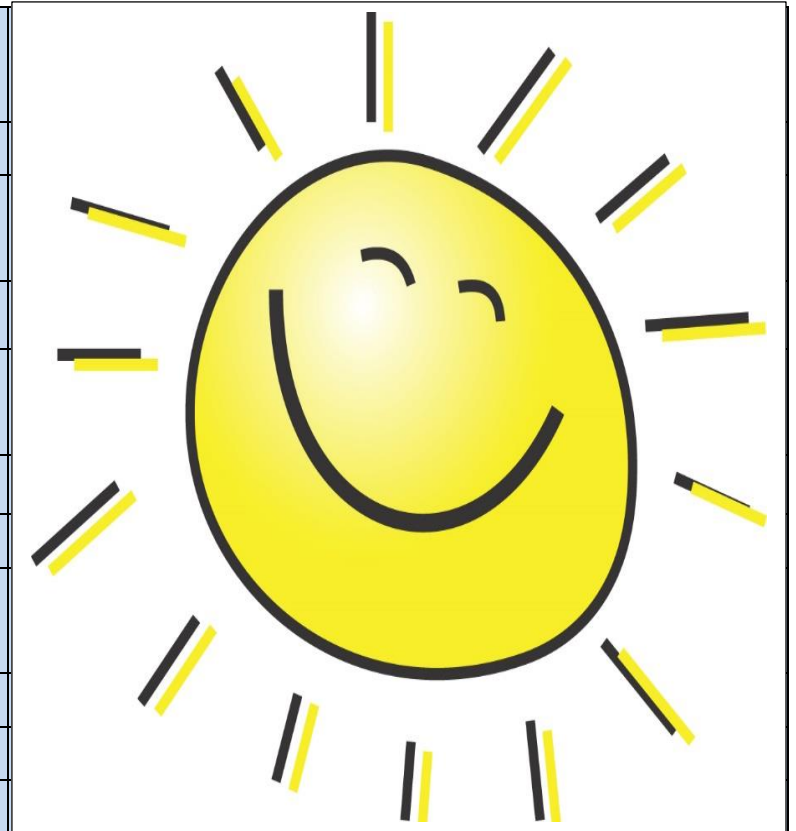
THE VILLAGE SCHOOL VOICE

June 2015



June

5 th	Field Day (4hr Session)
9 th	PSA End of Year Breakfast
10 th	Kindergarten Orientation
10 th	Barnes & Noble Young Author Night
11 th	3 rd Grade Social
17 th	Waste Free Wednesday
18 th	Last Day of School (4hr Session)



Mr. Brian Schillaci

With just a couple of weeks to go we are closing in on the end of another amazing journey. The whole Village community has worked hard to help our children enjoy success. We should all be very proud of the wonderful school we are a part of together!

When we look back over the course of the year, we often look for those great success stories. This year those stories came out of our school community joining together for the district as a whole and for so many others in great need. "Battle of the Faculties" and the "Teacher Talent Show" were wonderful displays of the district coming together to support all of our Holmdel students. And it doesn't hurt that Village School is housing the "Battle of the Faculties" trophy as the back to back champion. 😊 Our PSA put together many family events that brought the school community together, and in turn, gave back a great deal to our children at Village School. Additionally, there were many outreach opportunities for those in need from our "Giving Tree" to our "Second Grade Breakfast" to the amazing collaboration for "Village Idol". Thank you to everyone who had a hand in turning these experiences into some of our greatest successes as a school community.

It is so important for families to enjoy the upcoming summer months. But parents often ask what they can do to help their children continue the growth and success they have experienced during the school year. Reading is key for all children to continue on their path as lifelong learners. Enjoy the time in making reading part of a day at the beach or a piece of your family vacation. Reading is addressed in every area of our curriculum, so working on various strategies with your child will benefit them as they move forward in their educational endeavors. Writing is also a major focus in all curriculum areas. Encouraging your children to express themselves through writing is a wonderful way to keep them fresh over the summer months. Keeping a journal, or writing letters/emails to a friend or family member, is a nice way to encourage and enhance their skills. Additionally, continued practice with math strategies will make for a much smoother transition in September. We ask our students to use problem solving skills, in order to engage as strong mathematical thinkers. We encourage you to work with your children to gain a deeper understanding of mathematical concepts, which will help them prepare for the challenges ahead. Finally, the most important thing you can do as parents is simply be involved with your children. Whatever your kids are into this summer, make that a priority for yourselves as well. There is nothing more important than family spending time together. Laugh, relax, and enjoy!

This final newsletter is also an opportunity for me to express my sincere gratitude to all who make Village School so special. Thank you to the best staff around for their dedication to teaching our students. Thank you to the parents for all their support in working with us to do great things for our kids. And, most importantly, thank you to the children for always putting their best foot forward in striving for success. Best wishes to our entire Village School family for a wonderful summer vacation!



All I can say is – We Did It!

On behalf of the Executive Board of the Village School PSA, I would like to thank the Village School teachers, staff and parents who dedicated their time and talents to making this year a success. Every time we needed help, our teachers and parents stepped up, allowing each PSA event to not only be successfully, but also to create magical memories for the students. Indeed, PSA volunteers are working now to make the last few days at Village School memorable for all of the third graders who are moving up to Indian Hill next year.

The support we received throughout this school year has allowed the PSA to be able to make a substantial investment for Village School for the upcoming school year (stay tuned ... announcement forthcoming), as well as permit us to support special events for the Village School students throughout the (i.e., class parties, school assemblies, class trips). I am therefore thankful to the members of the Appointed Board who organized the following events, and the teachers, staff and parents who lent their support to these events:

- Fall Fest
- Barnes & Noble Nights
- Holiday Shoppe
- Red Ribbon Week
- K/PreK Meet & Greet
- Texas Roadhouse Night
- Box Tops
- Market Day
- Ladies Night Out
- Skate Night
- Chess Night
- BINGO
- CARNIVAL
- Trunk or Treat
- Plant Sale
- Village Idol

We are finalizing all of our papers for this past year, and are in the planning stages for next year. Please consider volunteering your time if you would like. If you have any ideas, please let us know. If you would like to volunteer, please contact me at PSAPresident1@gmail.com.

Finally, I want to thank our outgoing Executive Board members who have directly contributed to the success of the PSA this year. They are all special individuals who I hope to have an opportunity to work with again in the near future. They will be missed next year, and I was thankful to them for helping me through my first year as a member of the Executive Board.

Specifically, I would like to thank **AnnMarie Harrison**, **Tammi Stanziale** and **Paula Blalock**. They are leaving us because their children are attending Indian Hill next year. You will be missed!

And, while I will miss her being part of our Executive Board, I know **Michelle Sottile** will be back as a volunteer next year at Village School – she is already volunteered for one major summer project – the Back to School Kitz!

Thank you also to **Danielle Impreveduto** and **Suzanne Serini** for agreeing to stay on in their positions for next year, despite having donated so much of their time already during the past school year!

I hope to see you at our end-of-the-year breakfast on June 9, 2015 at 9:15 at the New Gym (please see our website to sign up). If I do not, I hope you have a safe and happy summer!

With warm summer regards,

Vicky

Mrs. Vierschilling's Top Ten Ways to Have Fun While Exercising Your Brain This Summer!

Summer vacation is a great opportunity for us to kick back, relax, and enjoy more time together with family and friends. It is also a great opportunity to engage our minds and interests in ways we can't always take advantage of during the school year. Check out these ideas that will keep those thinking skills engaged and prevent the dreaded "summer slide" of skills regression during these lazy days of summer!

1. Encourage your child to organize or join a book club with friends or neighbors. They are offered through the public library, and sometimes at book stores like Barnes & Noble. Keep an eye out! Here is a link to learn more about clubs at the public library: <http://www.monmouthcountylib.org/index.php/children>
2. Go "picking"! New Jersey isn't known as the Garden State for nothing! Blueberries, raspberries, and peaches become ripe for the picking at local "U-Pick" farms over the summer. Enjoy the "fruits" of your labor by using your freshly picked fruit in a favorite recipe that your child finds.
3. Make bubbles! Our PSA just sponsored a great assembly this month called Bubble-Mania and the kids loved it! The "bubble-ologist" encouraged making bubble solutions at home for hours of fun. Check out his or other similar sites. Here is a Bubble Mania: <http://www.bubblemania.com/faq/solution.html>
4. Create a word search or play hangman to practice your awesome word study skills!
5. Pick a pen pal at the beginning of the summer and promise to write letters back and forth each week all summer long!
6. Learn to yo-yo! You can google videos to watch tips for beginners, and practice until you can try out some pretty amazing tricks like ones you can see on YouTube through "Expert Village Yoyo". Once you've learned to yo-yo, you've got a great source of non-electronic fun that can travel anywhere!
7. Learn to type! Visit Mrs. Mac Connell's website for the link through the Village School homepage: <http://www.mrsmacconnell.com/#!students/c66t>
8. Visit a museum and write questions to interview the adult who took you about the experience! Present your interview, TV Show host style!
9. Learn about where you live! What was where your house is 100 years ago? Visit the library or historical society to try and find out!
10. STEM is happening! Check out this or any similar sites to get great ideas to engage your whole family on a rainy day! <http://www.playdoughtoplato.com/stem-activities-for-kids/>

It has been a wonderful year at Village School. Enjoy yourselves this summer and I'll see you in September!

Love, Mrs. Vierschilling



Village School PSA Spring Carnival
2015





Thank you Mr. Schillaci for always taking a pie in the face for such a great cause!!

**Thank
YOU!**

On behalf of the PSA, we'd like to thank ALL the PARENTS of Village School who helped make this year's Carnival one of the best ever. Everything the PSA accomplishes for the Village School community is made possible by the commitment, enthusiasm, and passion of the parents, teachers, and administrators who dedicate their time to making our children's educational experience the best it can possibly be.

Looking forward to another great year in the 2015-2016 school year!!

**SAVE
THE DATE**

Village School

Barnes & Noble Bookfair

Wednesday, June 10th

Barnes & Noble Holmdel



On Wednesday, June 10th, Barnes & Noble Bookstore at Holmdel Commons will host a book fair to benefit the Village School. Barnes & Noble will donate a portion of all in-store sales from 9am until 10pm. The offer will also extend to online sales on that day. (In-store customers should mention Village School at the register and online customers should use the [voucher](#) code 11626009). This is a great opportunity to buy books for summer reading and help us raise funds for our school!

Come and support your school, as well as,

- Visit the table of Village school approved summer reading books
- Stop by the café and have a snack

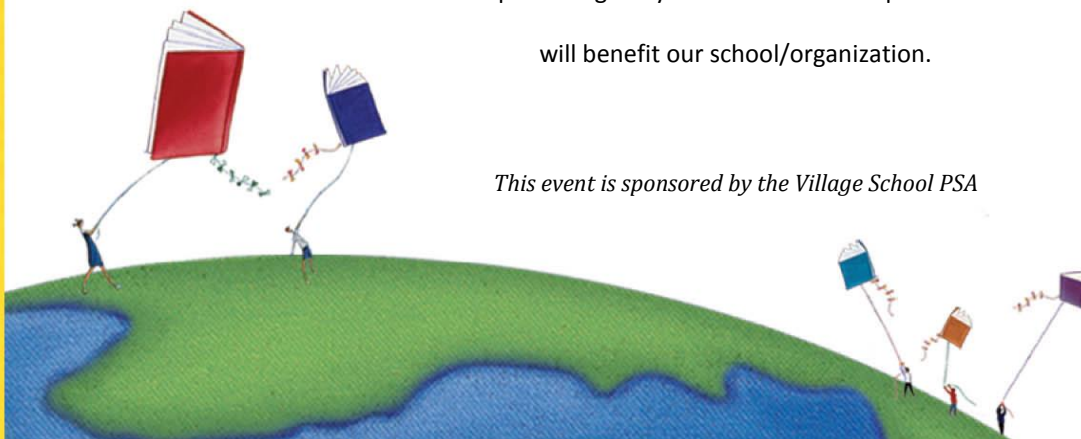
Visit bn.com/bookfairs to support us online from 06/10/15 to 06/15/15

by entering Bookfair ID 11626009 at checkout.

Can't attend our bookfair at Barnes & Noble?

A percentage of your Barnes & Noble purchases
will benefit our school/organization.

This event is sponsored by the Village School PSA



Field Day June 5th

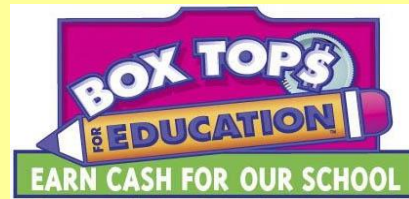
Friendly reminder to dress your children in the following color shirts:

Kindergarten - Green

1st Grade - Red

2nd Grade - Blue

3rd Grade - Field Day Shirts (Donated by the PSA)



Box Top Winners!!

Pre-K AM 2nd Place Miss Lauren
Pre-K AM 1st Place Miss Melissa

Pre-K PM 2nd Place Miss Melissa
Pre-K PM 1st Place Miss Lauren

Kindergarten AM 3rd Place Mrs. Kurey
Kindergarten AM 2nd Place Mrs. Renfroe
Kindergarten AM 1st Place Mrs. Campbell

Kindergarten PM 3rd Place Mrs. Renfroe
Kindergarten PM 2nd Place Mrs. Varga
Kindergarten PM 1st Place Mrs. Kurey

1st Grade 3rd Place Ms. Browell
1st Grade 2nd Place Mrs. Kerner
1st Grade 1st Place Mrs. Baldino

2nd Grade 3rd Place Ms. Durham
2nd Grade 2nd Place Mrs. Allen
2nd Grade 1st Place Mrs. Kenney

3rd Grade 3rd Place Mrs. Laverne
3rd Grade 2nd Place Mrs. Damji
3rd Grade 1st Place Mrs. Remuzzi