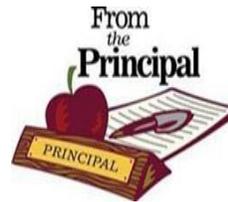


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- *9/4-Spirit Friday
- *9/7- **No School**-Labor Day
- *9/8-First Day of School for Pre-K
WELCOME TO VAN VOORHIS!
- *9/10-Fall Picture Day
- *9/11-Spirit Friday
- *9/11-Patriot Day
- *9/18-Spirit Friday
- *9/25- **No School**-Teacher Work Day

Quick Tip

Please do not change passwords or settings on Student Google accounts. Student Google accounts are tied to other school accounts. Changing passwords or settings in turn causes issues for students when trying to complete work or logging in to other school learning programs.

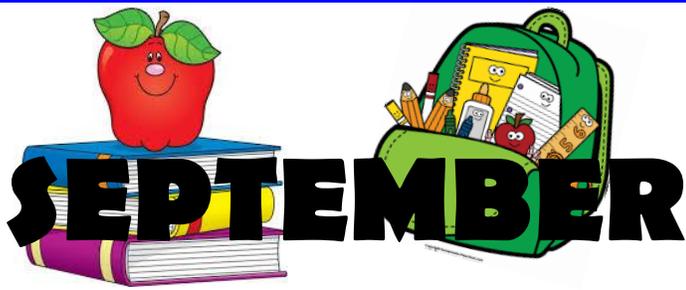


I am so excited to welcome our students back to school! I can hardly believe how much our students have grown. Although the summer break was a little longer than usual, the beginning of this new school year has been a very smooth transition. Students have truly done an amazing job settling in to the school routine.

For our first week of school, our students have been learning classroom rules, practicing procedures for cafeteria, hallways, playground and bus expectations, and practicing fire drills. Most importantly, they have been learning and engaging in our safety protocols and procedures.

Parents, I want to personally thank you for your patience, dedication, and commitment in ensuring our students receive the best education possible. Your partnership and support truly makes the difference!





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I am truly looking forward to an awesome school year. I want you to know that my door is always open and your feedback is always welcomed and appreciated as we all work together to do our very best each day.

Respectfully,

Angelique Johnson
Principal

Counselor's Corner

Welcome Back! Wow, what an exciting start we've had! Our students at Van Voorhis Elementary School are just amazing! Thank you parents for trusting us to provide a quality education for your child/children. We have high expectations for our students this year and will strive daily to provide them our best!

Each month we will be focusing on identifying character traits. For the month of September, our focus will be on Respectful behavior. Our character word will be Responsibility which will support students as they learn about goal setting.

Helping your child set goals early on is a great way to encourage him or her to evaluate their learning. If your child sets a goal, make sure that he/she takes ownership of that goal. Ensure

your child maintains a focus on the goal. Losing focus might mean the goal will get pushed aside for things that are not as important. Below are some suggestions to help your child take responsibility for making the goals into reality.

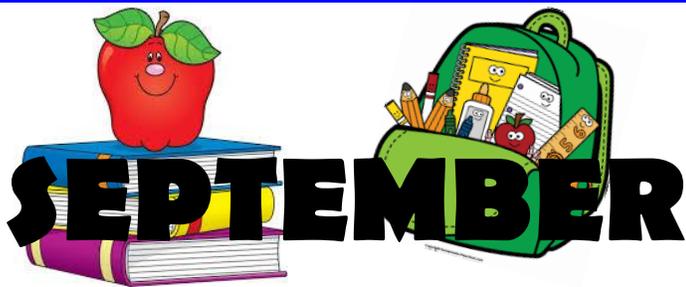
Put ideas on paper. Help your children write down the ideas in their planner. Talk about what they want to accomplish or achieve and when they want to have it completed. In other words, develop a timeline.

Break down the task. Huge projects or lofty goals do not always come to fruition because they seem too big for the child to accomplish.

Work toward the goal every day. Help your child/children work on the goal daily. Even if it's just a tiny part, your child will still be working toward the end result.

Track it! If your child/children can see what they have done so far and where they need to go, they will be able to get there more easily. Use a chart or graph to monitor progress. If your child's goal is measurable each day, award stars for each day it is achieved.

Be inspiring: Use yourself as an example. Tell your child/children about a goal you set and how you achieved it.



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Celebrate! Giving and receiving recognition feels great! Cheer your child on as he or she reaches his or her goal.

If I can be of assistance to you or you need to speak with me, please feel free to contact me at 502-624-5854.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Tucker,
Counselor



School Nurse Notes

Follow Everyday Health Habits

- Stay at least 6 feet away from others
- Avoid contact with people who are sick
- Wash your hands often, with soap and water, for at least 20 seconds each time
- Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available

Wear your Mask Correctly

- Wash your hands before putting on your mask
- Put it over your nose and mouth and secure it under your chin
- Try to fit it snugly against the sides of your face
- Make sure you can breathe easily

The school and parent community must work together to prevent the introduction and spread of COVID-19 in the school environment while providing a quality education program. To aid in prevention, we require parents to perform a short check each morning within two hours of arrival to school.

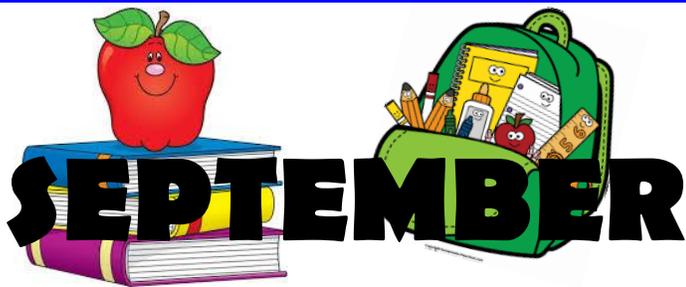
Please check for the following symptoms:

- Temperature 100.4° F or higher when taken by mouth.
- Sore throat
- NEW uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or abdominal pain OR
- NEW onset of severe headache, especially with fever.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

--Nurse Garcia





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PTO UPCOMING EVENTS

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September Fun Facts

- September's zodiac signs are Virgo and Libra.
- September is the first month of the Autumn or Fall Season.
- National Grandparent's Day is celebrated in September.
- September is National Happy Cat Month.
- 5 September is National Cheese Pizza Day.
- 9 September National Teddy Bear Day.
- 16 September is National Play-Doh Day.
- 19 September is International "Talk Like A Pirate Day"
- More people are born in September than any other month!
- Adam Sandler, Beyonce Knowles, Bill Murray, Bruce Springsteen, Lance Armstrong, and Stephen King all have September birthdays.

- September's birthstone is the Sapphire.
- The Sapphire symbolizes intuition, clarity of thought, peacefulness, loyalty, and trust.
- September has 3 birth flowers: the Aster, the Forget-Me-Not, and the Morning Glory
- The Aster represents love; the Forget-Me-Not represent love and memories; and the Morning Glory represents unrequited love.



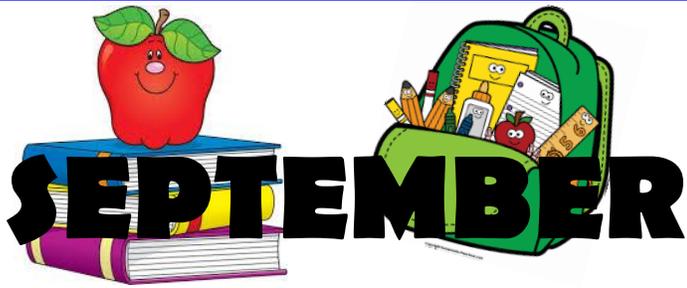
Gentle Reminders

100% ID CHECK: Please remember to show ID. We have a 100% check when picking up students.

*Please do not drop students off prior to 8:00am. (There is no adult supervision prior to this time).

*Student transportation changes must be done in writing prior to 2:30p.m. (M,T,W, and F) and by 1:30p.m. on Thursdays.

*Please ensure you have the correct car tag when picking up car riders.



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