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New Tuition Rates Set for 2024-25

The VGP Parent Advisory Board approved new tuition rates for the upcoming school year. We are offering class on MWF mornings and afternoons and TuTh mornings or afternoons. Tuition may be paid monthly, but there is a discounted rate (~3%) for those who wish to pay every three months (quarterly.) These rates reflect a pricing structure to accommodate a wider variety of offerings. Quarterly payments are due by April 12th (for Sept., Oct. & Nov.), November 1 (for Dec., Jan & Feb.), and February 1 (for March, April & May.)



Session	Monthly	Quarterly
TuTh AM or PM	\$255	\$745
MWF AM or PM	\$340	\$995
M-F AM or PM	\$595	\$1,725
TuTh All Day	\$510	\$1,490
MWF All Day	\$685	\$1,995
M-F All Day	\$1,195	\$3,480

The first payment for all children presently enrolled for the fall is due no later than April 12th to reserve your child's place for the 2024-25 school year. Any parent who needs to make special arrangements for tuition should speak to Karen as soon as possible.

Unfortunately, we are unable to hold a child's place for next year without receipt of this first tuition payment by April 12th.

***Please note that all fees and tuition payments are non-refundable.**

For parents who wish to have payments sent automatically to the preschool - you can set it up through your bank or you can pay via Venmo. If you use Venmo, we request that you add 2% to cover the associated fees..

Preschool Board Openings

We have a few openings on our Parent Advisory Board for this coming school year. We thank all of our amazing board members who have served this year and those who will be returning this fall. Serving on the Board is a great way to support VGP and connect with other parents. This energetic and fun group helps to ensure that our preschoolers enjoy special events to enrich their school experience! It is also a great way to provide input and give parent feedback. Your ideas, comments, and suggestions are always welcomed! Each Board member serves a two-year term and meet approximately once a month during the school year and usually once in the summer. Please speak to Karen if interested.

Parent Conferences

Spring Parent conferences will be held on April 30 & May 2 (TuTh Classes) and May 1 & 3 (MWF Classes). Schedules will be emailed to all parents and will also be posted on the parent's bulletin board in the foyer. Be sure to check your date and time and let Karen know if you need to arrange for a phone conference.

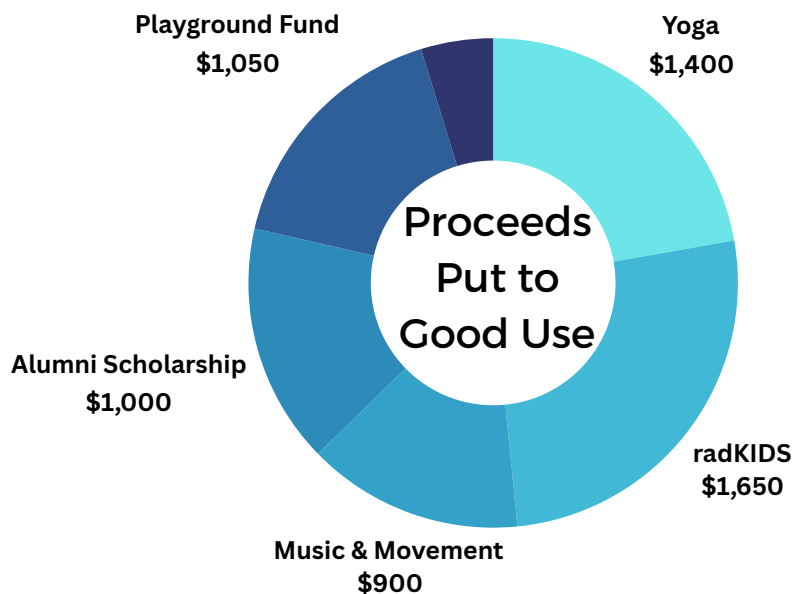
Field Days

The Annual VGP Field Days and Picnic have been set for Thursday, May 9 and Friday, May 10 rain or shine. We are **doing things differently this year** and will host Field Days **on the common** or in the Parish Hal (if rain) **during your child's regularly scheduled class/es**. Field Days will be held from 10:30-11:30 for the morning classes and afternoon classes from 2:00-3:00 PM. Parents and siblings are welcome to attend and participate (not mandatory.) One Field Days tradition is eating lunch together! If you want to eat together from 11:30-12:30, bring a picnic lunch and blanket and we'll all eat out on the common together! More information will be in the May newsletter.

Glow Party, Art Show, Raffle & On-Line Auction: An Overwhelming Success!

We would like to thank the teachers, all the members of the VGP Parent Advisory Board and the families who helped make this event possible this year. Our first Glow Party was so much fun! We would especially like to spotlight Glow Party Chair Jen Skorinko and Co-Chair Maureen Cleveland, for their vision, hard work and excellent organization that pulled everything together. Also, special thanks to Auction and Raffle Chairs Kim Gorski and Jillian Stillman for doing an outstanding job soliciting a fantastic array of raffle and on-line auction items, photographing all of the items and arranging their display. Patty O'Keefe, Kim Gorski, Holli Hepburn, Kristina Biro, Kaiya Correia and Jen Skorinko sold raffle tickets while Holli Hepburn and Kristina Biro helped to coordinate volunteers, and create posters. , Thank you for helping with set up and clean up: Ali Towle, Kimberly Sykes, Ryan Guilfoyle, Amanda Lawlor, Melissa Vaillancourt, Karen Castagna. Our generous business sponsors (listed at the end of this newsletter) and the numerous items donated by local businesses helped make the raffle and auction a success. None of this would have been possible without support from our preschool parents, grandparents and teachers who donated such an amazing array of creative and fun baskets, purchased raffle tickets, and bid on auction items. Your support of this annual fundraising event is greatly appreciated.

Profit from this event is used primarily to support our enrichment programs, purchase equipment and fund playground improvements. This is a preliminary graphic showing how we intend to allocate this year's total proceeds of \$6,300.



radKIDS Simulation

Our afternoon students have been enjoying their time with Sensei Sue and Sensei Mike Sonia learning all about many aspects of safety in and outside the home. The Sonia's take a fun approach to learning about this sometimes-difficult subject. Parents will get to see the results of all this hard work - **simulations will be held on Thursday, April 11 and Friday, April 12 at 1:20 or 1:50 in Room 2** (next to the preschool room.) Parents are encouraged to attend, but attendance is not mandatory. Sign ups have been posted in the foyer. Please check the time of your child's session and plan to arrive 5-10 prior. If the previous group is still in the room, please do not enter until they have exited. If you have not signed up to attend, please let Karen know. If your child attends school on both Thursdays and Fridays, please let us know which session/s you may be attending.

Farmland Field Trip for All Classes

Our class field trips to Davis Farmland will be held on Thursday, April 25 and Friday, April 26. This is a parent/caregiver chaperoned event. Parents are welcome to attend attendance is not mandatory. However, you will need to provide or arrange your child's transportation to and from the farm. If your child will be attending without a parent, please let Karen know as soon as possible - your child will be specifically assigned to one of the teachers for their session. Please let Karen know how many adults and siblings (preschool age) will be attending with you so we can provide the farm with attendance numbers.

For students who attend all day or attend both Th. and Fri., you have the option of having your child attend as many sessions as you wish. Please confirm this with Karen

This field trip is generously hosted by the Davis family at no charge.

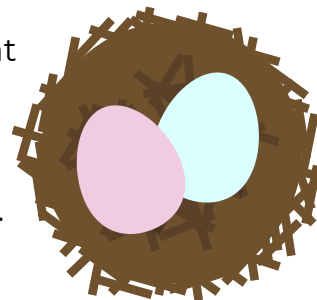
With warming temperatures and bright skies, our thoughts turn to adequate sun protection for our preschoolers. The playground does have considerable shade in the afternoon but can be quite sunny in the morning. If desired, please apply sunscreen at home before sending your child to school. Please use your judgement regarding what you bring for them to wear. The playground can be muddy and the sandbox can be wet. We are going to ask your child to wear whatever is left for them. Also, please do not leave clothing that you do not expect your child to wear and do not leave items in backpacks that you DO want your child to wear.

Snow Day Make-Ups

It is the sincere hope of all of us at Village Green that the snow season is officially over for this school year. Our school calendar allows for two snow days and because of our fairly mild winter, we only have one make-up day for the MWF AM class.

- We will hold the make up class on the afternoon of Recognition Day - May 24 from 12:30-3:00. Please bring a lunch for your child and we will all eat together (hopefully outside.) Traditional Lunch Bunch will not be offered.

Please let Karen know if your MWF AM child will not attend this make-up class This make-up date will also be noted on the May class calendars as a reminder. We will let you know if there happen to be any additional make up days.



Coming Events

- March 29 Good Friday – no preschool
- April 11, 12 radKIDS Simulation for PM Classes (parents invited)
- April 12 First tuition payment for the 2024-25 school year is due
- April 15-19 April School Vacation
- April 25 Farmland Field Trip for TuTh Classes
- April 26 Farmland Field Trip for MWF Classes
- April 30, May 2..... Spring Parent Conferences for TuTh parents
- May 1, 3 Spring Parent Conferences for MWF parents
- May 9 Field Day for Th AM class: 10:30 & PM class: 2:00 **AT VGP** (families welcome)
- May 10 Field Day for Fri. AM class: 10:30 & PM class: 2:00 **AT VGP** (families welcome)
- May 23 Recognition Day - 11:00AM for BOTH TuTh classes (families welcome)
- May 24 Recognition Day - 11:00AM for BOTH MWF classes (families welcome)
- May 24 MWF AM make-up in afternoon 12:30-3:00
- May 28,29,30,31.... Optional VGPlay Days



Special Thanks to:

- All the families who so generously donated baskets to the Art Show, Raffle & Auction
- All of the wonderful bakers who provided delicious treats for the Glow Party!
- Ali Towle, Kimberly Sykes, Ryan Guilfoyle, Amanda Lawlor, and Melissa Vaillancourt for helping with Glow Party set up; Debbie O'Connor for helping the teachers set up the artwork and all the Board members who put in extra time and effort for the event.
- Piper Lawlor and family and Evan Plouffe and family fox boxes of tissues
- Graham Meagher and family for glue sticks and special solar eclipse glasses!
- Norah Castagna and family for the boxes of tissues and glue sticks
- Johnny Glowik and family for the kinetic sand and glow sticks
- The Preschool Board for their tireless efforts on behalf of the preschool
- The teachers who consistently bring a fun learning environment to the children each and every day and do it with smiles on their faces and love in their hearts!
- The following businesses for their generous sponsorship of the Art Festival, Raffle & Auction: Stillman Landscape, Avidia Bank, Don-Jo Mfg., Inc., Fraticelli Oil, Total Wine & More, KidStrong Westborough, and Trader Joe's

