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## MONDAY MEMO

## March 1, 2010

### EVENTS CALENDAR

#### Monday, March 1

Advanced Band, 7:30am  
Grade 3 Field Trip  
Science Adventures, 3:15 - 4:15pm  
Middle School Math Club, 3:15-4:15pm  
Honk! Rehearsal, 3:15-5:30pm

#### Tuesday, March 2

Beginning Band, 7:30am  
Liturgical Choir, 7:35am  
Parents in Prayer, Chapel, 8:35am  
Chess Club, 3:15 - 4:15pm  
Writing Club, 3:15 - 4:15pm  
Honk! Rehearsal, 3:15-5:30pm

#### Wednesday, March 3

##### Re-Enrollment Agreements Due

##### Grade 6 Camp

Advanced Band, 7:30am  
4B Field Trip  
Early Dismissal, 2:15pm  
Honk! Rehearsal, 3:15-5:30pm

#### Thursday, March 4

##### Grade 6 Camp

##### Auction Preview, Parlor, All Day

Beginning Band, 7:30am  
Honk! Rehearsal, 3:15-5:30pm

#### Friday, March 5

##### Grade 6 Camp

##### See Lunch Change for Today

Villa Voices, 7:30am  
Music Improvisation, 3:30 - 4:30pm

#### Saturday, March 6

##### Gala Auction

Palm Beach Getaway  
Villa Academy, 5:30pm

#### Sunday, March 7

*Third Sunday of Lent*

#### Monday, March 8

Advanced Band, 7:30am  
Science Adventures, 3:15 - 4:15pm  
Middle School Math Club, 3:15-4:15pm  
Honk! Rehearsal, 3:15-5:30pm

### Dear Villa Academy Families,

The final countdown is on for our Palm Beach Get Away! Our auction participants will fill the gym for an evening of fun for the best cause ever – our Villa Academy students. Chrissy A., Julie K., and a host of hard working volunteers have worked magic for us that evening and we will undoubtedly meet our auction goal! I look forward to seeing you on Saturday, March 6. Thank you for your spirit of fun, community, and generosity!

**Parent Peer Group, Grade Six:** On Tuesday, March 16, the Grade Six Parent Peer Group will be gathering. The Villa Parent Association is piloting the Parent Peer Group Program in grades K, 4, 6, & 7 this year to establish a means for school parents, at specific grade levels, to come together a couple of times over the academic year to discuss parenting issues, compare notes and share tips on child rearing and problem solving. Mike R. is the Parent Peer facilitator for Grade 6. The meeting will be at 7pm in the Parlor, so please save the date.

**Trimester Ending:** The conclusion of the second trimester is right around the corner – Friday, March 12. Keep up the good work on the home front by encouraging your student/s. Celebrate small and not so small achievements by focusing on the effort and time that was devoted to a task. Please remember the power our words possess as we seek to motivate and nurture our children. Promote an ethic of growing, improving, trying new things, and getting better bit-by-bit at the things that are challenging.

The educators at Villa Academy recognize the student-level factors that pave the way to achieving and learning: 1) A focus in the home on reading, discussing, and valuing learning; 2) Opportunities for multiple and varied experiences outside the home – outings, travel, activities; and 3) Intrinsic motivation to learn, which requires time and effort.

We observe these qualities in our students and encourage you to continue to emphasize them. Thank you!

God Bless,

*Polly Skinner*  
Head of School

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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### **Join Villa Academy on Facebook!**

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Seattle-WA/Villa-Academy/248221169441>

**Change for Haiti Update: Villa students raised \$4,125.06 for Catholic Relief Services.** The 10 bags of coins, weighing 200 pounds, totaled \$1,945.00! Click here for video.  
<http://users.thevilla.org/kmcpmail/Sites/Haiti/Change%20for%20Haiti.html>

**Middle School Science Fair Judges Needed! Please Help!** The deadline has passed and there are not enough volunteers to judge all of the wonderful student projects submitted this year. Click here for an application:  
<http://thevilla.org/community/documents/MiddleSchoolScienceFairJudgesRegistrationForm.pdf>

**Lunch Details for Friday, March 5.** Due to the Villa Gala Auction set up this Friday, March 5, there will be no hot lunch served. We are recommending you pack a lunch for your child on Friday. If you want a Villa Box Lunch prepared for your child, Chef Don Bear needs your pre-order by Thursday, March 4 at 3:00pm. There are three meat-free choices for the day: Tuna Salad, Egg Salad or Sunbutter and Jelly sandwich. A drink, chips, fresh fruit, fresh vegetable and cookie are included in each box lunch.  
Email: [dbear@thevilla.org](mailto:dbear@thevilla.org)

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## **FROM THE ADMISSION OFFICE**

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Re-enrollment is the first step in building next year's classes, and it is exciting to see them begin to take shape. I want to thank all of you who have returned your re-enrollment agreements. We appreciate your speedy reply and are very happy that you will be joining us for the 2010-2011 school year!

**Agreements are due this Wednesday, March 3.** It is the re-enrollment agreement and deposit that ensures your child a space at Villa next year. If you are planning to join us next fall, please return your agreement ASAP. If you know that you will not be returning, please let us know that as well. If you have any questions, please call us at (206) 527-9388.

Thank you,

*Marlinda Siegfried*  
Admission Office

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## **FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

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### **VILLA AUCTION – MARCH 6, 2010**

#### **Villa Auction – Plan Ahead and Receive a Sweet Treat!**

<https://thevilla.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/PalmBeachGetaway/tabid/168803/Default.aspx>

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

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## **OPTIONAL SPRING CONFERENCES**

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**Online Scheduling OPEN NOW** <http://www.teeso.com/villa/>

Please refer to the Friday, February 12 email for log in and password information.

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## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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**Student Council invites the Middle School to some fun at Skate King!** Look forward to Friday, April 23, when every middle school student will be transported to Skate King, via bus, for some skating magic. Details and permission slips to follow when the event draws nearer...

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## FROM THE PARENT ASSOCIATION

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**The Faculty and Staff Appreciation Luncheon is coming up soon!** It's a great time to send in your notes for our wonderful Villa faculty and staff:

[http://thevilla.org/community/parentassociation/documents/0910VillaFacultyStaffrev\\_000.pdf](http://thevilla.org/community/parentassociation/documents/0910VillaFacultyStaffrev_000.pdf).

A collection box is located in the Parent Lounge. Thanks for making this a special event.

Need details? Read more...

<http://thevilla.org/community/parentassociation/FacStaffAppreciationLunch.html>

Questions? Please, e-mail Gerlinde Whetzell at [gwhetzell@yahoo.com](mailto:gwhetzell@yahoo.com).

**SAVE THE DATE: Tuesday, March 9, 8:30 - 10:00am, Villa Parlor**

Parent Education Seminar

***The Birds and The Bees and Kids*** with Amy Lang.

<http://thevilla.org/community/parentassociation/documents/VillaParentEd.pdf>

**Join Parents in Prayer on Tuesdays, March 2 and March 16, in the Chapel after drop-off.**

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## CYO CORNER

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**Volleyball** - Check out the scores from the first two weekends of volleyball games!

<http://thevilla.org/community/SportsNews.html>

**Baseball** - Registration is closed for all baseball teams, and due to a lack of sign-ups we will not have any Villa CYO Baseball teams this year.

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## EDP NEWS

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**Presenting *Honk! the Musical* – March 11 & 12** - Click here for details:

<http://thevilla.org/weblog/2010/02/25/honk-march-11th-12th/>

**Full Day Care at EDP on Friday, March 19!**

**Villa Ventures Registration:** <http://thevilla.org/weblog/2010/02/04/announcing-villa-ventures-2010/>

**Announcing Spring Enrichment Classes:**

**Creative Movement** – For Students in Grades K-3

**Gamemaker Workshop: Video Game Design** – For Students in Grades 3-5

**Junior Engineer** – For Students in Grades 1-3

**Kendama Club** – For Students in Grades 5-8

**Music Improvisation Workshop** – For Students in Grades 6-8

**To download EDP forms click here:** <http://thevilla.org/community/formslists.html>