



Veritas Classical Academy

News – August/September 2006

Welcome New Staff!

We would like to take the opportunity to introduce our new teachers for the 2006-2007 school year. In the next several months, we'll highlight these new teachers so you can get to know them. We are so thrilled to add these quality men and women to our staff.

Debbie Brotgze- 3rd grade
Lindsay Hansel- 4th grade
Melissa Mingle- 5th grade
Annie Petzinger- Latin
Lisa Kelly- Middle School Math and Science
Seth Thomas- PE Coordinator
Nicole Rule- Art Appreciation
Alison Thompson- Music Appreciation

Returning staff include: Kara Polk, Kindergarten; Sherry McDonald, 1st grade; Tiffany Clark, 2nd grade; Todd Wedel and Josh Spears, Middle School; Rebecca Wedel, Administrative Assistant, and Julie Serven as Acting Principal.

Welcome Students!

Veritas continues to grow and we see God's faithfulness as we begin our third academic year. Enrollment has increased to 80 students, grades K-8. Several families are traveling from outside the immediate Norman/Moore area, as far as Edmond, Purcell and Yukon. We look forward to a wonderful year.

Upcoming Dates

September 12- Shurley Grammar Workshop
at 6:30pm in Room 12 led by
Mrs. Clark

Phonics Workshop at 7:30pm
in Room 12 led by Mrs.
McDonald

**September 21- Parent Partnership
Association Meeting** at 6:30pm
in Room 12

September 30- VCA Family Picnic at
Andrew's Park from 5-7pm.
Families should plan to bring
dinner and drinks for
themselves and a dessert to
share.

October 3- Life Touch Student Pictures

October 3- Writing Workshop (grades 4-8)
at 6:30pm in Room 12 led by
Mr. Wedel

Latin Workshop at 7:30pm in
Room 12 led by Miss Petzinger

October 13- End of First Quarter

October 17- Teacher/Parent Conferences
(No class for students.)

October 19- Open Board Meeting at 7:00pm
in the Music Room. An agenda will be
posted on the website the week before the
meeting.

You can find more information about these
events on our website at www.veritasnorman.org
or by calling the Veritas Office at 850-5309.

Morning Assembly

A new addition to our school day this year will be a morning assembly. Tiffany Clark, our 2nd grade teacher, will be coordinating this time each morning. Students will take an active role in helping to make this time a positive and encouraging way to start our school day. The goal of morning assemblies will be to create a stronger sense of community among students, recognize the achievements of students, and begin each school day with prayer and praise to the Lord.

Curriculum Workshops

Veritas will be hosting several curriculum workshops over the next few weeks. These workshops are designed to help parents become more familiar with the design and implementation of the curriculum. It is not mandatory that parents participate in these workshops but we strongly encourage you to come to any of the sessions that would help you help your child.

Veritas Student Exhibit

Photos taken by Leah Dile, VCA 8th grader, will be on display at the Sam Noble Museum of Natural History beginning October 17. Leah participated in a National Geographic sponsored trip to the Galapagos Islands with other contest winners in May. She spent 10 days photographing the island, its wildlife and working with local school children. We are so proud of Leah and congratulate her on the amazing opportunity to display her talents in such a prominent venue.

Visit the Sam Noble Natural History Museum's website for more information on Leah's exhibit, <http://www.snomnh.ou.edu/calendar.shtml>

School Needs

- Color printer
- small bus/large van to transport children to park and field trips
- additional PE/recess equipment

If you are interested in making a donation or giving any of these items to the school, please contact Rebecca at 850-5309.

Reminder Parents:

Please check your email on a daily basis in order to stay informed about upcoming school events, announcements and teacher correspondence.

If your email address or other contact information changes, please be sure to contact Rebecca in the office.

Substitutes Needed

Veritas is currently looking for qualified applicants interested in being substitute teachers. If you or someone you know would be interested in applying, please contact Rebecca at 850-5309 or at veritasnorman@yahoo.com.