



VCA VOICE

“ 1 Peter 1:25
But the word of the Lord remains forever.
And this word is the good news that
was preached to you. ”

Valley Christian Academy

October 7, 2026

Welcome Back, VCA!

Welcome to a new school year at VCA! We are excited to have our hallways filled with familiar faces, new friends, and plenty of learning, laughter, and adventure. As we begin another year together, we are looking forward to all that God has in store for our students, staff, and families. We are grateful for the opportunity to learn and grow together and to be part of such a special school community. Here's to a wonderful year ahead!

Socktober

October is Socktober at VCA! Throughout the month, we will be collecting new socks and mittens to donate to Outflow, an organization serving people in Saint John who are experiencing poverty. Outflow is motivated by faith in Jesus Christ and looks for practical ways to help meet needs such as hunger, homelessness, unemployment, and medical costs. We are excited to give our students an opportunity to share Christ's love in a simple, practical way. And there's a little House League fun involved too! Each item donated will earn points for your House League team! So, grab a pair (or a few!) and help us fill our Socktober collection while supporting your team!



VCA IN ACTION

Our Student Council is ready for another great year at VCA! Charlotte, Ayda, Jordin, and Paige are taking on leadership roles and are excited to help make VCA a fun, welcoming place for everyone. They are joined by class representatives from Grades 4–12, who help bring their classmates' ideas and voices to the council. Throughout the year, our student leaders will be planning school-wide activities, leading House League events, building school spirit, and looking for ways to serve and encourage others in our school and community. We are excited to see their ideas, creativity, and leadership in action this year!





Important Dates

Oct. 9 - Inflatables
Oct. 12 - Thanksgiving (No School)
Oct. 15 - Team Colour Day
Oct. 20 - School Pictures
Oct. 22/23 - ACSI Teachers Conference (No School)
Oct. 30 - Deadline for Socktober donations
Oct. 31 - VCA Market

Athletics

Oct. 7 - SJTC Invitational Cross Country (grades 3-8)
Oct. 7 - High School Cross Country Meet
Oct. 16 - Cross Country Regionals

Hot Lunch

Oct. 7 - Pizza
Oct. 13 - Hot Dog & Chips
Oct. 14 - Pizza
Oct. 20 - Pancakes & Sausages
Oct. 21 - Pizza
Oct. 27 - Hot Dogs & Chips
Oct. 28 - Pizza

Eagle Highlights

Cross Country is off to a great start at VCA! Our Grades 3-8 runners will have the opportunity to compete in the SJTC Invitational Cross Country Meet on October 7 at Wolastoq Park. The high school team will also be competing that day, with two VCA athletes hoping to qualify for Cross Country Regionals on October 16.

We are also excited to celebrate some great results from our high school runners! Jonah placed 4th in the Senior Boys race, and Jacob placed 10th in the Junior Boys race at the most recent meet.

Meanwhile, our Badminton Club is off to a great start, with approximately 23 students from Grades 5-8 participating. It is exciting to see so many students getting involved in athletics this year!

Catch the Light of Christ

Our students have been having fun looking for VCA staff members who are "shining the light of Christ," and now we want to encourage our parents and staff to join in too! This initiative is about more than recognizing our amazing staff. We want to help our students notice the everyday ways Christ-like adults show kindness, patience, compassion, humility, encouragement, and a heart for serving others.

Congratulations to Mrs. LeBlanc, who was our very first recipient! Thank you for the many ways you shine the light of Christ at VCA.



Ballot boxes are located in the staff room and school office. Each box has a list of staff names and their voting numbers. Simply write the number of the staff member you are voting for on a sticky note and place it in the box. Feel free to add a quick note about what you noticed!

Each week, one staff member will be recognized as Teacher of the Week and receive a special certificate from Staples. At the end of each month, a Teacher of the Month will receive a certificate, a Staples coffee mug, and a \$50 Staples gift card. At the end of the school year, our Teacher of the Year will receive a \$250 Staples gift card along with a basket of goodies!

You may vote more than once whenever you notice another example of someone shining the light of Christ. Our students are already excited and voting, and we would love to see our parents and staff join in too!

A special thank you to Staples for partnering with VCA and helping us encourage and celebrate the wonderful people who pour into our students every day!



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