

JANUARY 16, 2026

LOOKING AHEAD - There is no school on Monday, January 19th.

GIRLS BASKETBALL INFORMATION - Please check the “Athletics” page of the school website for schedules and all information.

YEARBOOK CLUB - Attention 5-8th grade students: Yearbook Club is starting! Meetings will be held Tuesdays from 3:20-4:30, starting Jan. 13 and ending March 10. Students who attend all meetings will receive a FREE yearbook! Get a permission slip from your homeroom teacher or Mrs. McDonald.

TURN TAXES INTO IMPACT!
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YBvFoMPCm3JggWlNyuRC0uH8YyiAmv2k/view?usp=sharing
West Valley Families, in 2023, the state of Montana approved a program that allows you to donate to our school and receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit on your state tax bill. Donations would go to support educational programs, facilities updates, safety upgrades, access to technology, and more.
The state’s $7.2 million cap is first-come, first-served. To participate, donations must be received by January 20, 2026 at 12:00 pm, with the state portal opening on January 21, 2026, at 10:00 AM.

JOB OPPORTUNITY - West Valley is seeking a dependable and Long-Term Elementary Paraprofessional Substitute to support students and staff starting as soon as possible. This individual will work closely with teachers and support staff to provide small group reading and math support as well as help with recess and lunch duties. If interested please contact the elementary principal, Alesia Hamill, at (406)755-7239 or ahamill@westvalleyschool.com.

AFTER SCHOOL - All adults are asked to not be on the playground/bus area behind the school after school is out. Please come to the front of the school only and wait until the buses have left to be on the playground.

VISITORS - Visitors need to sign in at the front desk before entering school and we ask that parents drop off students at the front of the school instead of walking them into classes or to the playground.

OFFICE PROCEDURES - If you need to take your student out of school early, please let the office know at least an hour before they need to leave. And if you need to get a message to your student about after school plans please call before 2:30. The Office number is 755-7239, email bells@westvalleyschool.com

SUBSTITUTES NEEDED - If you are interested in subbing at West Valley, please contact the Flathead Co. Supt. of Schools to make an appointment to get fingerprinted, 758-5720. Once we receive your results (this usually takes 2 weeks), then we will get you all set up to Sub! No prior experience is required and subs earn $100 per day. And for every 5 days you sub per pay period (monthly), you receive a $100 bonus.

WEST VALLEY GEAR - You can purchase West Valley clothing using the following link! 10% of sales come right back to West Valley.
https://shop.game-one.com/montana/kalispell/west-valley-school

You can also purchase West Valley Warrior Athletics clothing, water bottles, backpacks, stadium seats, and other gear at the following link. 10% of these sales support the West Valley Athletics Department. https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/warrior-wear

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: The McKinney-Vento Act: IS YOUR FAMILY TEMPORARILY STAYING IN:

- someone else's house or apartment due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a similar reason?
- a hotel or motel?
- a shelter?
- a car, park, campground, abandoned building, or other inadequate space?

Your local school district's homeless liaison may be able to help!
Please reach out to the homeless liaison to see if your child may be eligible.
Anna Porter, K-4 Counselor, 406.755.7239 aporter@westvalleyschool.com

RISE AND SHINE

Together We Shine Brighter!

As the school year continues we will keep shining brighter together! We will continue to focus on different big ideas as the year moves forward to help us enhance our school wide theme. Feel free to engage in conversations with your student(s) at home on each topic!

December and January Focus:

We are so proud of how hard our students' worked on Kindness! For December and January, we will be working on Respect at West Valley. During these next couple of months we will look at 4 specific topics under the umbrella of Respect: Respect for Others, Self-Respect, Respecting our Things, and Respecting our Community.

Photos from Kindness Months of November and October:

