

Lunchbox Express

An education for heart, hands, and head

September 28, 2016

Calendar

Fri Sept 30 Michaelmas Festival – 8:20 a.m. – in the Gym – all classes presenting

Fri Sept 30 The Flower Basket Autmn Project Party – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at The Flower Basket

<u>Fri Sept 30</u> Craft Night – 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. – see inside for details

Thu Oct 6 School Picture Day

Wed Oct 12 WOW!: Waldorf Open Wednesday – 8:10 a.m.

Fri Oct 13 Grandparents and Special Friends Day – begins at 8:20 a.m.

Fri Oct 21 Craft Night – 7:00 p.m. – 10 p.m. – see inside for details

Save the Date

November 1st, **at 6:30 p.m.**, special guest Bart Eddy from Detroit, MI, will share his experiences working with the will forces of and bringing health to communities. Information about Bart Eddy and his initiatives in Detroit can be found at www.stamps.umich.edu. Stay tuned for more information.

Friday Assembly Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Sept 30—Michaelmas Festival Pageant Oct 7—Even Grades Oct 14 – Grandparents and Special Friends Day – Classes TBD

What's Cooking!

Michaelmas Festival Pageant

When I conquer within me fear and doubt Michael in Heaven casts the dragon out!

On Friday September 30th, PRWS will celebrate Michaelmas. We warmly invite the community to join us in the gym at 8:20 a.m. for our Michaelmas Festival Pageant. All of the grade students will participate as we tell the story of the Archangel Michael with Eurythmy, song, and speech. The pageant will last approximately 40 minutes. The rest of the day unfolds in a special way for the students as they work together to prepare a communal student lunch which they will eat together in the gym. Please send a snack as **usual**, **but no lunch**. The menu consists of squash soup, dragon bread, and apple crisp. Gluten-free bread and apple options will be available. After the meal, the children will break into aroups for different work and play activities in the afternoon, including wood-chip spreading, bulb planting, and pruning. Therefore, the children should wear their festival attire in the morning and bring clothes that can get dirty that they can change into for the afternoon activities.

- Joshua Ecklund, Faculty Chair

October Aftercare Registration Form Updated

Aftercare is available for your children every school day from Monday – Friday from 2:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. with variable pick-up times based on your needs. Monthly registrations are elibible for a 5% discount. Call 608-637-7828 for more information or review information on our website. The new October Aftercare Registration form is attached at the back of this Lunchbox Express. Corrected copies are also available in the office. Stop by if you have questions. Please turn the completed forms in to Nan. Thank you!

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager



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SCHOOL EVENTS

School Store News

Welcome back to school, Pleasant Ridge Waldorf families! The School Store is bursting out of its cabinet in the front entrance of school. Feel free to open the glass doors and browse all the toys, school supplies, silks and so much more. The front office can ring up your purchases for you any time. This **Friday**, **September 30th**, the cabinet will be open before and after the Michaelmas assembly with School Store staff available to help you with your purchases. Stop by and see all the new items! See you in the hallway!

- Cathy Brummer, School Store

School Photo Day is Thursday, October 6th

Photographer Drew Shonka will be providing information packets to each classroom this Friday. Extra registration forms will also available in the office. Photo retakes will follow three to four weeks later (date TBD), and you should have your photos well in time for the holidays.

KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES - Please note:

In order to minimize the disturbance to the daily rhythm that the kindergarten children are just getting used to, we are asking that you bring your children to the school library before the start of the kindergarten morning. Mr. Shonka, will be available to take **kindergarten children photos starting at 7:30 a.m.** that morning. If you have any questions, please call the office.

Nan Marshall, Office Manager

Grandparents and Special Friends Day RSVPs

We are beginning to hear back from grandparents who plan to attend the event on October 14th. Please help us get an accurate count by encouraging your parents to RSVP, or you can let us know by email at mary@pleasantridgewaldorf.org or phone message at 608-637-8504.

New parents, please note that the luncheon is only for our grandparent guests; the children will bring their lunches as usual on Friday and eat in their classrooms. If you want more details or have questions or concerns, please contact me. Thank you.

Mary Christenson, Development Director

ENROLLMENT

Outreach

Coffee at the Farmer's Market

Volunteers are needed to sell coffee on **October 8th** at the Farmer's Market. This is a great way to be in our local community, provide that fresh, hot cup of joe, and make a little bit of money for the school. There are two shifts per day: 7:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. This is easy and fun! If you are interested, contact Jordan at 637-7828.

 Jordan Brudos, Enrollment & Outreach Coordinator

Crafting Get-Togethers Are Back!

We are restarting the adult crafting gettogethers! This is a time to come together and make handmade items for our school store and the Children's Castle for the Holiday Faire. You don't need to be "crafty" to join us – we will have crafts for all skill levels. Snacks, drinks, and good conversation will be provided. Here are the next two scheduled evenings:

September 30th, 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. at Jordan Brudos' Home – 118 Wisconsin St. in Viroqua

October 21st, 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. at Margret Lenarz's Home – 510 S. Rusk St. in Viroqua Hope you can join us!

> Jordan Brudos, Children's Castle Coordinator



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<u>The Flower Basket Autumn Project Party</u> Friday night, September 30th, from 6:00 p.m. –

8:00 p.m. there will be a Flower Basket Autumn Project party! We will be creating pumpkin planters with succulents. These will then be sold at the October 8th Farmer's Market. Children are welcome to join the fun. Bring snacks to share!

Start at The Flower Basket and then continue on to Jordan Brudos' house for more crafting (see above).

- The Flower Basket Committee

Fall Parent-Child Classes

Parent-Child classes have begun, and we still have room for a few families to join us on **Friday mornings from 8:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.**Please contact Jordan at 637-7828 or enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org for more information or to register.

 Jordan Brudos, Enrollment & Outreach Coordinator

Harvest Parade

We are looking for PRWS families to participate in this year's Harvest Parade on October 8th. If you and your family would be interested in helping out with organizing our group and making costumes please contact Jordan at 637-7828 or

enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org.

We are also looking for people to craft costumes of farmers and veggies.

 Jordan Brudos, Enrollment & Outreach Coordinator

WHAT'S NEW

<u>Volunteer Opportunities at</u> The Flower Basket

There are still several opportunities for fun at The Flower Basket even though it is fall. Arwyn Wildingway is happy for your help if you are ready to roll up your sleeves and get a little earthy. You may call her directly to schedule specific times and activities. She can be reached at 632-7217.

Other specific needs include the following:

- A small pick-up truck with driver to do some hauling
- 2 volunteers prepared to be available on a Sunday or Monday when there is NO WIND to replace the plastic on one of the greenhouses
- An hour or two of weeding support in the greenhouse
- Some "potting up" work to prepare for some transplants
 - The Flower Basket Committee

ADMIN NEWS

Thank You to All Who Participated

Thank you to all who participated in the All-School Meeting on Tuesday evening. After short presentations on the status of the budget, enrollment, and the developing Long-Range Plan, we broke into small groups to discuss what we considered to be the healthy social life of our school and how to achieve it. Many parents commented that they were hoping to be able to participate in some of the "magic" they see happening with their children in the classroom. The new Wow! Days scheduled almost monthly are one way that parents and visitors can share in the magic. In addition, there are a couple of upcoming events to consider, such as the first Adult Art Day planned for Friday, October 21st, and the Social Mission of Waldorf Adult Education event on Saturday, October 22nd.

If you were unable to attend the meeting, the questions that were discussed are posted on the bulletin board next to the office. Please feel free to provide your own answers to the questions.

Marianne Fieber-Dhara,
 Adminstrative Chair



Open Positions

First Grade Story and Nap Support – (see position details online or ask in the front office) Monday – Friday (school days)

1:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Beginning: October 3

To apply: Send a letter of interest and employment application along with resume

and references to:

Marianne Fieber-Dhara, Personnel Committee Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School

431 E. Court Street Viroqua, WI 54665

Marianne Fieber-Dhara,
 Administrative Chair

Mum Sale

There are still plenty of cash-and-carry mums available for pickup at school. Please stop in the office to pay if you find one you like. They are on the front steps of the school.

Nan Marshall, Office Manager

Friday Office Reception Volunteer

Are you interested in getting to know parents and faculty better? Do you like talking on the phone? Are you willing to apply bandaids to young children? Then consider volunteering as the office receptionist on Fridays. Please talk to Nan in the office or Marianne Fieber-Dhara if you are interested.

We would like a couple more volunteers to create a team for sharing and/or rotating Fridays!

Marianne Fieber-Dhara,
 Administrative Chair

APPRECIATION

Many thanks for the new basketball hoop on the playground!

Lars Bergan Hal Bergan Bill Brooke Gabriel Slattery

IN OTHER NEWS

Directory Updates

The 2016-2017 directories were distributed last week. Despite our best efforts, there are always a few errors. Please check your information in the directory and let us know if something needs to be changed. Below are a few initial updates you should make to your directory.

Krings

Correct email is sanirk1111@mwt.net

Kelso/Messier

The correct number for Ashley Kelso in the Violet Kindergarten list is 608-513-4731

Rosanne Morici

Her address and phone number are: E7919 Green Acres Rd., Viroqua (H) 675-3223 (O) 637-1149

Bernstein

(H) 638-7524 Angie cell – 606-2086 Arthur cell – 637-7524

COMMUNITY NEWS

Pollinator-friendly Viroqua - If you are interested in revising Viroqua's current weed ordinance to something more pollinator-friendly, check out the work of Citizens for a Pollinator-Friendly City. We have a new proposed ordinance to replace our current ordinance on weeds, 8.32, and you can find it in the mailbox of Vicki Ramsay. Check it out, and if you like it, sign the petition of interest that's attached. Thanks so much!



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Get Your Tickets Today! Truth be Told #7: A Storytelling Event

The evening's theme: ROOTS Friday, October 14th, @7:00 p.m.

The Ark, 401 East Jefferson Street, Viroqua

See the stellar lineup of

storytellers: https://www.facebook.com/TruthBeTold

StoriesFromTheDriftlessAndBeyond/

\$10 advance/\$12 door

Tix: Viroqua Food Co-op & online at <u>vihs.net</u>
All proceeds benefit Youth Initiative High School

A Confident Kids Workshop will be presented by Life Coach 4 Kids on Sunday, October 9, from 1:00 p.m.

– 4:00 p.m. at 304 S. Main St., Viroqua. This workshop is open to 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. Kids will learn powerful tools to handle difficult emotions and skills to empower their learning. To register or get more information, call 608-638-0005 or 920-475-8314. Investment in your child is \$89. Sign up by October 3 for an early registration discount. Space is limited. For more information, see the poster on the PRWS Community Bulletin Board.

LUNCHBOX EXPRESS COMMUNITY NEWS POLICY

The Lunchbox Express Community News section is provided as a service to the school community. Printing of an ad does not imply endorsement by Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School. How to Place an Ad:

- 1. Limit your ad to 70 words. We do not edit. We will not print ads over 70 words. If you must have a long ad, make a note & give it to the office staff to place on the bulletin board.
- 2. Ads will be printed only once.
- 3. Put your ad in the folder in the LBE's mailbox in the Office marked "Lunchbox Community News" OR e-mail ad to info@pleasantridgewaldorf.org with "Community News" in the subject line.
- 4. Deadline is Tuesdays at 8:30am. There may be occasions, due to unforeseen circumstances or space restrictions, that the Community section will not be printed. Thank you.



October

Aftercare Registration

Registrations Due:

28-Sep

Monday - Friday 2:45-5:30 pm

	Parent Name:	Emergency Phone:	
	Address:	Home phone:	
	Child Name:	Age:	
⋖	Instructions:	Choose one of the following to register for every school day with a co	nsistent pick up time.
OPTION A	2:45 - 3	Totals below reflect the 5% discount for regular monthly registrations. 2:45 - 5:00 (\$257)	A la Carte Price Code:
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0	2:45 - 4	30 (\$205)	2:45 to 4:00 - \$9
		(1-3-2)	2:45 to 4:30 - \$12
OF	₹		2:45 to 5:00 - \$15
	Check the pick-	up time for the dates you require aftercare.	2:45 to 5:30 - \$18
	Using the cost k	key, complete weekly and monthly totals below and submit payment.	

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