PLEASANT RIDGE WALDORF SCHOOL

Lunchbox Express

An education for heart, hands, and head

January 10, 2018

Calendar

Fri Jan 12 8th Grade Eurythmy Performance – 6:30 p.m. - in the gym

Tue-Thu Jan 16-18 2nd Grade Play – 9:30 a.m. each day – in the 2nd grade classroom

Fri Jan 19 Dinner and Game Night – 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – at the school – see details inside

Sat Jan 20 Waldorf Education Series – **CANCELED**

Sat Feb 3 A Walk Through the Grades

Sat Feb 3 All-School Work Day - **CANCELED**

Mon-Fri Feb 5-9 Re-Enrollment Week

Mon Feb 5 3rd Grade Meeting – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – in the 3rd grade classroom

Tue Feb 6 2nd Grade Parent Evening – 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – in the 2nd grade classroom

Tue Feb 13 5th Grade Parent Meeting – 4:00 p.m. – in the 5th grade classroom

Friday Assembly

Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Jan 12—No Assembly
Jan 19—Epiphany/Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration
Jan 26 —Open Assembly/Korean Farewell

What's Cooking!

8th Grade Eurythmy Performance Friday

Please join our 8th Grade students in their culminating eurythmy performance of the Bremen Town Musicians this **Friday, January 12th, in the gym at 6:30 p.m.** All are invited.

- Joshua Ecklund, Eurythmy Teacher

Green Woodworking Class for 7th and 8th Graders

Mr. Ecklund will be teaching a Green Woodworking Class for 7th and 8th graders after school on Tuesdays from January 23 – March 13. The class will meet from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. in the Handwork room. Students will learn the basics about woodworking tools, techniques, and safety using hand tools and local wood. They will complete several projects, including a 3-legged stool!

The $90 fee includes snacks, tools, and materials. Call Nan @ 637-7828 to register by January 22nd. A minimum of 5 students is required to offer the class.

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

Raffle Ticket Reminder

There are still some raffle tickets in the office. Don't forget to pick them up!

- The Raffle Committee

Tuition Statement for Tax Purposes

If you'd like a statement of tuition paid in the 2017 calendar year, please email your request to finance@pleasantridgewaldorf.org. Thank you!

- Sofya Hundt, Business Manager

Ice Skating this Year

Each winter, the students in 1st through 8th grades have an opportunity to ice skate at the Park Bowl during their movement class, weather and ice permitting. **First through 3rd grades will only go once/week. To make this possible, we will need parent support on those days to help tie skates.** For 1st graders, we will need parents to meet us at the Park Bowl rink at 12:45 p.m. on Tuesdays. For 2nd graders, we will need parents to meet us at 1:55 p.m. on Fridays. For 3rd graders, we will need parents to meet us at 12:45 p.m. on Mondays. **Please sign up with Nan in the office if you are able to help tie skates. Be sure to check in during the morning to make sure skating is happening each day.**

We hope the weather favors a nice stretch of ice skating this January and February. **Lerie hopes all students will have skates within the first two weeks of school in January, if possible**. There will need to be a minimum of ¾ of the student body per class with skates to make ice skating possible.

Skates will not be available for rent from the Park Bowl. However, the school does have some skates that can be borrowed. **You may stop by the office to try on and sign up to borrow the skates during the first two weeks of January.** You can also find used skates at Play it Again Sports in La Crosse, and they also can sharpen them. You can also get skates sharpened at the Viroqua Arena. Anyone with skates to sell, please notify the Lunchbox Express, and we will put an ad for you in the Community News.

It is important for all students to have good laces, blade guards, and sharpened skate blades. This makes the skates safer to skate on than those with dull blades. We recommend hockey skates for structural support and for keeping the children's feet warm. Skate guards or tote bags are essential for safety while sharp skates are being carried.

- Lerie Alstad van Ells, Movement Teacher

ENROLLMENT

Re-Enrollment Week for School Year 2018-2019

February 5 – 9, 2018

Please look for program changes, additions, re-enrollment forms, tuition information and adjustment applications beginning February 5th.

Registration fee of $165 per family is due with your re-enrollment form by **February 9th**.

Registration fee **AFTER** February 9th will be $500.

Tuition Adjustment applications will be due **February 16th**.

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

Game Night – January 19th

Join us for food and games Friday, January 19. There will be tacos from **5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.** Board games take place from **6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.** Children of all ages are welcome. Active games such as Cat & Mouse, Dodgeball, and Pickle in the Middle will occur at scheduled intervals in the gym throughout the evening for various age groups.

This is a 7th Grade fundraiser.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

Welcome Thimmesch Family

Please welcome the Jason and Jennelle Thimmesch and their daughters Nanka (5th), Genevieve (1st), Myra, and Isaac to our community. Their contact information is:

Jason & Jennelle Thimmesch
S3251 W. Salem Ridge Rd.
La Farge, WI 54639
608-625-2238

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

IN OTHER NEWS

In Sympathy

Please hold the Brummer family in your thoughts. Cathy Brummer's sister, Karen Ann Muth, passed away on December 29th.

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

New Projects for Our School!

We're happy to announce two new projects that have recently happened through donations to improve our building and classrooms.

New Lighting!

e3 Lighting has generously donated $6,830 worth of internal and external energy- efficient lighting for our classrooms, hallways, administrative offices, and outside areas. e3 employs several current and former PRWS parents: Jim Olson (President), Erika Broser, Dan Brown, and John Sherwin, and we deeply appreciate this wonderful gift for the school! We'd also like to thank everyone who helped install the lights:

Jim, Tammy, Fischer, and Amelia Olson
Apple Corbin (alumni parent!)
Addelaide Lemar
Joe Lenarz
Mike and Finley Palen
Mike Severson

New Signs!

You may have also noticed new signage at our front entrance to the school and at our Old Main Building. The funding was graciously provided by anonymous donors. Joe Lenarz, along with several parent volunteers, helped with the installation at the main entrance. Thanks to Joe, Geri Shonka, and Cynthia Olmstead for coordinating the design and purchase of the signs.

Front door sign

Old Main Building sign

Recycle Your Devices at PRWS

Did you know that you can recycle old cell phones and digital cameras through our recycling program? We also accept all kinds of ink and toner cartridges. Just deposit in the large green and white box in the office. See list below for other recyclable items. There is a complete list of recyclable brands and items hanging on the box.

Please consider bringing these from your workplace, too, as an easy way to bring a few more funds to the school.

- Inkjet and Laser Printer Cartridges
- Cell Phones, Pagers, & Accessories
- GPS & Radar Detectors
- Mobile Hot Spots
- Calculators
- eBook Readers
- iPods/MP3 Players
- Digital/Video Cameras
- PDAs
- iPads/Tablets
- Video Game Consoles & Handhelds
- Video Games & Accessories

Questions can be directed to Angie Lemar, angielemar@gmail.com, who has carried this program. Thank you.

- Mary Christenson, Development

New Contact Information for Kristin Pomykala

You can now contact our new Development Coordinator, Kristin Pomykala, via her PRWS email (Kristin@pleasantridgewaldorf.org) or choose voicemail 3 at the Development Office (608-637-8504).

- Cynthia Olmstead, Development

Snow Shoveling at the School

Clearing the doorways and sidewalks of snow and ice at Pleasant Ridge is a job that falls to parent volunteers. Each class covers two weeks over the course of the winter. Parents in the class should pitch in during that week to the extent that personal schedules, work hours, small children, etc. permit. Schedule and class coordinators are listed below:

Class	Coordinator	Week1	Week2
8	Krings	11/5-12	1/21-28
7	Dehlin	11/12-19	1/28-2/4
6	Hundt	11/19-26	2/4-11
5	Brudos	11/26-12/3	2/11-18
4	Lenarz	12/3-10	2/18-25
3	Cole	12/10-17	2/25-3/4
2	Severson	12/31-1/7	3/4-11
1	Ugo	1/7-14	3/11-18
K	Hundt	1/14-21	3/18-25
	Facilities Comm.	12/17-31	3/25-

Please contact Jason Cole at 608-637-7160 or jasoncole@gmail.com or your class's coordinator with any questions.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The 21st Annual Youth Initiative High School Dinner will be held this year on **Saturday, February 3RD**, at the **Rooted Spoon at 6:00 p.m.**

The theme for this year is Candlemas. This is a student-driven fundraiser, and it showcases the students in a variety of activities.

Go to www.yihs.net to purchase dinner tickets. Any questions, please call Paula at 606-3500.

One bedroom upstairs apartment for rent in historic home very near Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School and downtown Viroqua. Updated kitchen and bath, hardwood floors throughout, abundant closet space. Access to laundry facilities. Garage. $685, including utilities and internet. Available early February. Call or text 914-329-1932 for further information.

February Lunch Menu

One form per Person — check the box for the meals you like — Add → and ↓

NAME _____ _____ GRADE_____				1 GF Shepherd's Pie w/fruit	
Please Remember Winter Break February 19th. thru 23rd.	5 Pasta Marinara + Salad	6 Quesidillas, Beans w/fruit	7 Stew + Cornbread	8 GF Rice + Veggies w/fruit	
	12 Pizza + Salad	13 GF Beans + Rice w/Nachos	14 Chili + Cinnamon ROLLS	15 Asian Noodles w/fruit	
	26 Pizza + Salad	27 GF Beans, Greens + Grains w/fruit	28 Soup + Bread		
				Subtotal	
	Monthly Plan due by Jan. 17			- Credits	
	* All meals $3.50 each			Total	