

## Calendar

**Thu-Fri Mar 1-2** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Project Presentations – 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – in the school gym

**Wed Mar 7** Open House – 8:20 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. – meet in the Parent-Child room

**Sat Mar 10** Raffle Party – 6:00 p.m. – at the Rooted Spoon at 219 S. Main St., Viroqua

**Thu Mar 15** 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Play – 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. – at the Landmark Center Auditorium – 500 E. Jefferson

**Fri Mar 16** In-Service Day – No School – See inside for information about the **Enrichment Day**

**Fri Mar 16** Kindergarten Morning – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. – see inside for details

**Fri Mar 16** Celebration of the Arts – 6:30 p.m. - Landmark Center Auditorium

**Wed Mar 21** Community Game Night – 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – in the school gym – open to the whole community

## Friday Assembly

Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Mar 2—No Assembly

Mar 9—Even Assembly

Mar 16 —No School – In-Service

## What's Cooking!

### Lunchbox Express Schedule Change

**For the week of March 5<sup>th</sup> only**, the Lunchbox Express will come out a day early, on Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. If you have a submission for the Lunchbox, please submit it to [info@pleasantridgewaldorf.org](mailto:info@pleasantridgewaldorf.org) by 8:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, or get it to Nan in the school office by then. Thanks!

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

### Hot Lunch Volunteers Urgently Needed!

**The link to the March hot lunch volunteer form is now up!!**

Please click on the link below to sign up to serve or help prep hot lunches for our children.

### March 2018 Hot Lunch Volunteer Sign Up Calendar

If you have trouble filling in the online forms, please call Therese at 637-8787. Thank you!

- Therese Laurdan, Hot Lunch Volunteer Coordinator

### Raffle Tickets Due on Friday, March 2

Please turn your ticket stubs and money in to the PRWS office as you sell your tickets.

### Raffle Drawing Party on Saturday, March 10.

We hope to see you at the prize-drawing and party on Saturday, March 10, at the Rooted Spoon at 219 S. Main St., Viroqua. **The doors will open at 6:00 p.m.**, with entertainment, Chili Cook-Off, Baking Contest, and cash bar. Winning tickets will be drawn at 7:30 p.m.

Let one of the Raffle Committee members – Hallie Ashley, Simon Stumpf, Erica Gerrity, or Kristin Pomykala – know if you plan to bring chili or baked goods or can otherwise help get this party started!

- Kristin Pomykala, Raffle Committee

### Greenspace Trails Closed during Mud Season

Please do not use the trails or walk through the Greenspace during our spring mud season. This causes damage to the trails and also tracks mud into the school. Thank you!

- Cynthia Olmstead, Greenspace Coordinator

## Dog Policy

Please be reminded that it is our policy that dogs are not allowed on the playground from 7:50 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Thank you for your cooperation.

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

## Short-Term Assistance Needed in Kitchen

We are looking for help in the kitchen from **March 15-25**. Duties will include delivering meals to the lower grades, collection of dishes, and general kitchen cleanup. If you would like to fill in, please call the office.

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

## Parent-Child Classes

Parents and their young children (ages 1-4) are invited to join Ms. Martha once a week on Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday mornings from 8:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. **Our newest session began the week of February 26**. Cost is \$135 for the 9-week session. Click [here](#) for more information and registration form. To register or ask questions, contact Jordan at 637-7828 or [enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org](mailto:enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org).

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

## Conversations about Waldorf Education

Are you curious about the philosophy of child and human development that underlies Waldorf education? Please join this drop-in conversation on **Tuesdays for 4 weeks in March (6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>) at 1:30 p.m. in Room 202 in the Landmark Center**. We will use articles from "Renewal" magazine, "Lilipoh" magazine, and the Gateways newsletter for Waldorf Early Childhood. If this time doesn't work for you but you are interested in such a group, please let me know – perhaps another group could be formed. For information or questions, please contact Mary Christenson at 608-606-5296 or [mary@pleasantridgewaldorf.org](mailto:mary@pleasantridgewaldorf.org).

- Mary Christenson, Development

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fundraiser

Please stop by the office to buy packets of Naming Poem cards that feature the names and qualities of all the 8<sup>th</sup> graders. The funds go toward their 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip.

- The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class

## Introduction to and Basics of Homeopathy

Have you wanted to know more about working with homeopathy for acute care at home? I have studied and practiced for 28 years and am happy to share what I've learned. Please join our **Saturday morning discussions from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in March at the Old Main Building at 321 E. Decker**. There are some basic tenets and practices that can give you a framework for taking up your own studies. We will work from "cases" that are written by professional homeopaths. The group's interest will direct our inquiry. My studies began in a monthly study group led by an experienced practitioner. If there is interest, we could "graduate" to that. For information or questions, please contact Mary Christenson at 608-606-5296 or [mary@pleasantridgewaldorf.org](mailto:mary@pleasantridgewaldorf.org).

- Mary Christenson, Development

## March Open House

Our next monthly Open House is scheduled for **March 7**, from 8:20 a.m. - 9:15 a.m., meeting in the Parent-Child room. This is your opportunity to experience our students and teachers working with the Waldorf curriculum, which is designed to meet the whole child at each developmental stage. After the tour, enjoy a time of conversation and refreshments. These open houses are for current PRWS families, as well as potential families and friends. This month we will be visiting in the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms. Please contact Jordan at [enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org](mailto:enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org) with any questions or for more information. **Don't forget to bring along a friend!!**

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Play is Coming!**

Sir Gawain and the Green Knight will be presented on **Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup>**. The daytime performance is at 9:00 a.m., the evening performance at 6:00 p.m. Both performances will be at the Landmark Center Auditorium, 500 E. Jefferson St. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m., with desserts and refreshments for sale. This is a fundraiser for our class trip.

- Christina Hotchkiss, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

**Upcoming Enrichment Day – March 16**

Are you looking for someplace for your child(ren) to be during the in-service day on March 16? Have your child(ren) join Ms. Sequoyah for a fun day of seasonal crafting, outside play, and games. Registration forms are available across from the office door. Rates are \$35 for a whole day (8:30 a.m. -4:30 p.m.) or \$20 for a half-day (either 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. OR 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.). Multiple child discounts available. Stop by the office with any questions. Please register by Wednesday, March 14.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

**Celebration of the Arts – SAVE THE DATE**

**Friday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.**, in the Landmark Center Auditorium, at 500 E. Jefferson, Viroqua Free-will donation.

Come enjoy some entertainment by the faculty and board, refreshments, and a silent auction that includes faculty artwork. Proceeds will support the Pleasant Ridge professional development fund. Adults only, please.

- Cinna Derocher and Christina Hotchkiss, Celebration of the Arts Committee

**Community Game Night – March 21**

As part of a Community Screen-Free Week, PRWS is joining with the McIntosh Memorial Library and Viroqua Elementary School in hosting a screen-free event.

Tuesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, the McIntosh Library will host a Science Night.

On Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, PRWS will host a Game Night in the school gym. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade will sell snacks as a fundraiser for their 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip.

Thursday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, Viroqua Elementary School will host an evening of music and movement.

All events take place from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. The entire Viroqua Community is invited to attend one or all of these evening activities.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

**Kindergarten Mornings**

**Thinking about having your child begin kindergarten next year? If so, then join us for a Kindergarten Morning!**

**Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> OR Saturday, April 21**  
**10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**



**10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
Visit the Kindergarten  
(Parents and children together in the classroom)

**11:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
Parent meeting with the kindergarten teachers  
(Outdoor childcare provided)

All parents who are interested in finding out more about our kindergarten program are encouraged to attend one of these mornings with their child. Registration is required as

space is limited. Contact Jordan at 637-7828 or email [enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org](mailto:enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org) to register.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

### **The PRWS Book Sale is Coming**

We are now collecting books for the book sale, which we plan to have in mid-March. Money from the sale is used to purchase new books for the school library. If you have books to donate, they can be placed in the front office or in the library. Thanks to all who have donated and supported the sale in the past. Please continue to support this great cause.

- Chris Leinberger, Library Volunteer Coordinator

### **Welcome our Newest Community Member!**

AnnaJo Doerr and Shawn Lavoie, parents of Julian Lavoie in the Cherry Blossom Kindergarten, welcomed a new baby boy into the family early Tuesday morning. The boy was 7.5 lbs and 21" long. Congratulations!

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

### **Games for Aftercare**

We are looking for outdoor games for our aftercare program. If you have lawn games, jump ropes, or play parachutes to donate, please call Nan in the office. Thanks!

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

### **Directory Updates**

Gabrielle Daniels has a new cell phone number: 414-744-1215.

Shannon Landis has a new phone number: 632-6068.

Please update your directories.

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

### **PRWS 2017 Summer Camps**

We are already preparing for an enriching Summer Camp season. Do you have a Summer Camp idea growing in you? We encourage your camp ideas for both children or adults. Please contact Jordan or Amy with your ideas!

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator, and Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

### **PRWS Coffee Fundraiser**

Drink your favorite coffee and support PRWS! You can now special order your favorite Kickapoo Coffee, as well as your preferred grind. **A group order will be placed on March 12**, with delivery that same week. Pick up your order forms in the office.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

### **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. The 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](mailto:jasoncole@gmail.com) or your class's coordinator with any questions.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**The Christian Community Camp Greenwood Lake** is an opportunity for children to retreat into nature and enjoy the natural rhythms of the day and night. Camp Greenwood Lake is a children's camp for ages 8-13, from August 6th to 20th, 2018, at Camp Nawakwa in Cornell, WI. There is also a youth camp, July 17th to 23rd, for rising 9th to 12th graders. The youth camp will be canoeing by day and camping by night. For more information about either camp, please visit the website of the [Chicago Christian Community](http://Chicago Christian Community) or email us at [chicagochristiancommunity@gmail.com](mailto:chicagochristiancommunity@gmail.com). Or contact Jenny Spann at 637-8759 or [jennyspann@frontiernet.net](mailto:jennyspann@frontiernet.net).

**The Viroqua Healing Arts Center is seeking a practitioner** to complement our current available services. If you are in need of a beautiful, serene place to practice and are interested in joining the Healing Arts Center, please email: [stownsley.vhamhc@gmail.com](mailto:stownsley.vhamhc@gmail.com) or call Susan Townsley at 606-4360.

**Celebrate Dr. Seuss' Birthday** with a story, games, and activities at the McIntosh Memorial Library on Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m., ages 4-14. If you have any questions, please call the library at 637-7151.

**Writing workshop with writer/PRWS community member Catherine Young.** *Serving up from Memory's Kitchen*, Saturday, March 10, at the Encore, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Through prompts and exercises we'll use food as ingredients for some spicy prose and poetry. All levels of experience welcome. Contact [catherineyoungwriter@gmail.com](mailto:catherineyoungwriter@gmail.com) or [driftlesswritingcenter.org](http://driftlesswritingcenter.org).

**PRWS parent Jason Thimmesch is selling ground beef for \$5/lb.** His cows spent the summer on pasture and hay and were finished on non-GMO corn. To purchase, call Jason at 625-2238.

**Looking for a chest freezer!** Call Jason at 625-2238.

### 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](mailto: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.