



## Calendar

**Fri Feb 15 EXTENSION** - Last Day for Re-Enrollment!

**Wed Feb 13** Kindergarten Parent Meeting – 5:30 p.m. - in the kindergarten classroom

**Wed Feb 13** 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting

**Fri Feb 15** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Eurythmy Performance – in the school gym – 6:30 p.m.

**Mon-Fri Feb 18-22** Parent/Teacher Conferences and Mid-Winter Break

**Mon Feb 25** School Resumes

**Tue & Wed Mar 5 & 6 AND Tue & Wed Mar 12 & 13** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Project Presentations – 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – in the school gym

**Thu & Fri Mar 7 & 8** 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Play

### **March Hot Lunch Forms Due ASAP**

Due to the upcoming Winter Break, we ask that you turn in your March hot lunch forms ASAP! Thanks!

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

## Friday Assembly

Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Feb 15—No Assembly

Feb 22—No Assembly – Parent/Teacher Conferences and Winter Break

Mar 1—No Assembly

## What's Cooking!

### **Re-Enrollment Week for School Year 2019-2020 – EXTENDED Through February 15, 2019**

Please look for re-enrollment forms, tuition information, and adjustment applications in the office.

**A registration fee of \$165** per family is due with your re-enrollment form by **February 15<sup>th</sup>**.

**Starting this year, tuition adjustment paperwork will also be due on February 15<sup>th</sup>**.

Registration fees received **AFTER** February 15<sup>th</sup> will be \$500.

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Eurythmy Performance**

On **February 15, at 6:30 p.m.** in the school gym, the eighth graders will present the culmination of their eurythmy curriculum: *The Brothers Grimm's Iron Hans*.

- Joshua Ecklund, Eurythmy Teacher

### **Subject Teacher Parent Conferences**

Subject Teachers will be offering times on

**Monday, February 18**, for parents to meet with the subject teachers as a group. If you are interested in signing up but haven't done so yet, please give Stephanie Pedretti a call to set up a time. If you are interested in meeting with a particular subject teacher individually, please call that teacher directly to arrange a conference time. We welcome the opportunity to talk with you about your child(ren)!

- Subject Teachers

### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Parent/Teacher Conferences officially start February 18<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up for your parent/teacher conference as soon as possible if you haven't already. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board across from the office or outside teacher classrooms or online.

- Teachers

## **Hot Lunch Volunteers Needed for February**

**HELP!** We still need more volunteers to sign up on the February Hot Lunch Calendar.

Please consider signing up for at least one volunteer shift using the link below:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EKb\\_yZvrdeg0UqgetaKHsnjx0daH4J5m55y8H1qIzd/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1EKb_yZvrdeg0UqgetaKHsnjx0daH4J5m55y8H1qIzd/edit#gid=0)

Thank you!

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

## **New Hot Lunch Volunteer Coordinator Needed Next Year**

Therese Laurdan will no longer have children in Pleasant Ridge next year - so this is her last year as coordinator.

Please contact her soon if you are interested in this volunteer position. She would like to start training someone asap.

The ideal candidate would:

- Have at least a couple more years left at Pleasant Ridge
- Have a flexible schedule
- Be able to fill empty volunteer spots when needed (usually not often). Living in or near town is beneficial.
- Have a computer or way to easily access a Google account
- Be comfortable creating and maintaining the Volunteer Calendar in Google Sheets
- Have a cell phone to text reminders to volunteers

Contact Therese at:

Cell: 606-6330

Email: [tlaurdan@mwt.net](mailto:tlaurdan@mwt.net)

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **Upcoming Enrichment Days**

### **February 18, 19, and 20**

Are you looking for someplace for your child(ren) to be during the winter break? Perhaps don't have anywhere for your children to go during your parent-teach conferences? Have your child(ren) join Ms. Sequoyah for a fun day of seasonal crafting, outside play, and

games. Registration forms are available outside the office door. Rates are \$30 for the day, which runs from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Stop by the office with any questions. **Please register by Friday, February 15.**

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

## **Hearing and Vision Screening**

We will be having representatives from the Vernon County Health Department and the Lion's Club at our school on in the near future (date TBD) performing hearing and vision screening of 1-5 graders. If you would not like your child to participate in the screening, please notify Nan in the front office by Monday, February 25. If any concerns are noted during the screening, parents will be notified in writing by the Health Department afterward.

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Project Presentations**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Project Presentations will be **March 5, 6, 12, and 13 in the gym from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Stay tuned for specific student dates and topics in the next Lunchbox Express.

- Betty Link, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

## **The PRWS Book Sale is Now Underway!**

We are **still collecting books** for the book sale, which will **run through Friday, March 1**. 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. 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

# ENROLLMENT

## Kindergarten Mornings

Thinking about having your child begin kindergarten next year? Or do you know someone who has a child that is ready for kindergarten and looking at their options? If so, come and join us for a Kindergarten Morning!

**Saturday, April 6**  
**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

## Winter/Spring Session of Parent-Child Classes at PRWS

Our Parent-Child session begins this week, but there is still room for a couple more families to join us on Tuesday mornings from 8:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Cost is \$135 for the 9-week session. Click [here](#) for more information and registration form. Contact Jordan at 637-7828 or [enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org](mailto:enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org) with questions or to register.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

## Parent-Infant Classes at PRWS

PRWS will be offering a special, 4-week session of Parent-Infant Classes this spring. These classes are geared towards first-time parents and their little ones (ages 0-12 months) and will offer time for conversation and sharing with other parents over tea and a simple craft project. Get the support you need to parent in an environment that offers space and safe, natural items for your child to play and interact with. The cost is \$25 for the session, and spaces are limited. Classes will be held on Friday mornings, from 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m., **beginning March 22**. Contact Jordan at 637-7828 or [enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org](mailto:enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org) with questions or to register for the session.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

# ADMIN

**Upward Gravity** weekly thoughts from the Administrative Chair, Amy Hazell

Today as I arrived at school, my children and I heard the playful giggles of the First Grade Class as they romped through the glistening snow drifts in the Greenspace. They were out on their morning stroll, filling their lungs with fresh air and warming up their bodies for a day of learning. As I watched these joyful children, Mr. Schirmer dove into a somersault through a drift. He was full of life (and snow!) as he led his students in a celebration of the new day, piles

of snow, cold air, and a blue sky. And I said to myself, what a wonderful world is Waldorf Education!

### **Tuition Statement for Tax Purposes**

If you'd like a statement of tuition paid in the 2018 calendar year, please email your request to [finance@pleasantrydewaldorf.org](mailto:finance@pleasantrydewaldorf.org).

Thank you!

- Sofya Hundt, Finance Coordinator

## DEVELOPMENT

### **New Parent Education Opportunity**

Kim John Payne, author of *Simplicity Parenting* and *The Soul of Discipline* (and long-time friend of Pleasant Ridge), is announcing today a new offering, "The Soul of Discipline Home Practice Guide."

If you've been following Kim's free workshop this week (or read his books), you already know how helpful his discipline material is.

From Kim, "If you've read the book or enjoyed the workshop, the Home Practice Guide is the logical next step. It provides you with a practical road map for how to lovingly support and guide your child through every stage of their development. And it makes parenting easier and more fulfilling for you and your whole family."

AND, starting with this new offering, Kim has generously agreed to become our newest Scrip vendor!

This means that for everyone who purchases The Soul of Discipline Home Practice Guide (using the PRWS link below), the school gets a percentage of the price.

So, not only would you be getting a helpful parenting resource for your family, but you'd also be helping to support the school.

If making parenting easier and more fulfilling is something you'd be interested in, click this link to check out the Home Practice Guide:  
<https://www.simplicityparentinginstitute.com/a/12785/PiMa7b8C>

NOTE: The link takes you to Session Three of Kim's current workshop, which tells you

everything you need to know about the new offering. If you're interested, Sessions One and Two are available from there as well. All three videos will be available through the end of the week.

- Robin Kottke, Development Director

### **Raffle Tickets Due March 15th!**

Raffle tickets aren't due until March 15<sup>th</sup>, but it's helpful if you turn in any you sell before then to the office so they can be processed in a timely fashion. Thank you!

- Sofya Hundt, Finance Coordinator

## GROWING FOR GOOD

### **Growing For Good - Fair Trade Roses**

Say "I love you" AND "I care about sustainable, ethical trade that puts people and the planet first" AND support your school's social enterprise Growing For Good greenhouse.

Call 608-637-8200 or email

[info@growingforgood.org](mailto:info@growingforgood.org) to pre-order your fair trade roses and schedule your delivery (delivery on 2/13 or 2/14).

Red, white, and pink roses

\$5 per stem/\$27.50 half dozen/\$55 per dozen

**Don't wait - last year we sold out!!!**

See our website for more information,

[www.growingforgood.org](http://www.growingforgood.org), or stop in at 520 E. Terhune in Viroqua.

The greenhouse is sunny and warm!

Open every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. We will also be open Valentine's Day 9:00

a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- Amber Knutson, Growing For Good

### **Part-Time Plant Care Person Needed**

Growing For Good is hiring a

part-time plant care person/greenhouse

worker. This part-time position is 8-15

hours/week maximum and pays \$10/hour.

Responsibilities include monitoring

temperature/sunlight and venting the

greenhouse and/or turning off/on the heat

beds accordingly on a DAILY basis; watering,

propagating, trimming, cleaning, and fertilizing

all plants; monitoring plants for pests and



applying appropriate pest control measures in a timely manner. Must have some plant-care knowledge and experience. Please send a resume and cover letter to [info@growingforgood.org](mailto:info@growingforgood.org).

- Amber Knutson, Growing For Good

**Greenhouse Grower Sought for Growing For Good**

Growing For Good in Viroqua, WI, seeks an experienced Greenhouse Grower to begin immediately. The Greenhouse Grower will join a small management team and oversee several growing projects: contract growing (microgreens, geraniums, vegetable starts) and tending plants for retail, wholesale, and spring garden center. Experience in medium/moderate-scale growing and greenhouse management required.

Knowledge of Midwestern native plants, climate, and growing season preferred. Hourly wage based on experience. Please send a cover letter, resume, and three references to [info@growingforgood.org](mailto:info@growingforgood.org).

- Amber Knutson, Growing For Good

## COMMUNITY NEWS

YIHS presents *Clue* -- the play based on the film based on the board game in a brand new adaptation! *Clue* will be in the Landmark Center Auditorium February 15th & 16th at 7:30 p.m. with a 2:00 p.m. performance the 16th. This show is all-ages appropriate, but it is a murder mystery -- contact [zoe@yihs.net](mailto:zoe@yihs.net) with questions. Tickets online at [yihs.net/store](http://yihs.net/store) or at the door.

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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@pleasantrydwaldorf.org](mailto:info@pleasantrydwaldorf.org) with "Community News" in the subject line.
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