

Calendar

Thu Feb 28 Hearing and Vision Screening for grades 1-5 – call the office if you don't want your child to participate

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

Tue, Wed, Thu Mar 5, 6, 7 4th Grade Play – “A Nordic Yarn” – see inside for details

Fri Mar 15 In-Service – **No Classes**

Mon Mar 18 2nd Grade Parent Meeting – 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. – in the 2nd grade classroom

Tue Mar 19 A Walk Through the Grades – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. –

Wed & Thu Mar 20 & 21 6th Grade Play

Sat Mar 23 Spring Fling Family Fun & Raffle Party – 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the school gym

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

Mar 1—No Assembly

Mar 8—Even Grades Assembly

Mar 15—No Assembly – In-Service

What's Cooking!

8th Grade Project Presentation Schedule

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 5

Peter Levin – Behind the Scenes of a Stop-Motion Movie

Ada Lenarz – Pottery

Miles Daniels – Custer's Last Stand

Rhiannon Dehlin – Baking Desserts

Freya Rising – Exploring Massage Therapy

Jesse Porter – The Art and Profession of Haircutting

Wednesday, March 6

Kale Bernstein – Building a Computer

Kai Manspeaker – Bike-Packing

Orion Vina-Tromp – The Art of Photography: Learning about Myself

Isaac Thimmesch – Stewardship of the Kickapoo River

Kevin Miro – Building a Mayan Temple Pyramid: A Path to Knowing My Ancestors

Leela Vina-Tromp – The Deeper Meaning of Dyslexia

Tuesday, March 12

Cadence Dehlin – Fostering a Dog

Sky Lovecky – Building a Pueblo Oven

Adyn Brudos – Trail-Building and Maintenance with Vernon Trails

Ethan Kangas – Making a Game

Rowen Brummer – Learning to Play Guitar

Schuyler Hawklove – Writing a Novel

Breckin Petersen – Learning Computer Programming

Wednesday, March 13

Amelia DeClercq – Scuba Diving

Fischer Olson – Teaching Origami

Zirelia Leinberger – Teaching Debate and Civil Discourse

Ruby Hodapp – Architectural Design

Rohan Laurdan – Fundraising for a Dog Park in Viroqua

James Benton – Straws and the Great Rebellion

All friends, family, and faculty are invited!

- Betty Link, 8th Grade Teacher

Fourth Grade Play – March 5, 6, and 7

The fourth grade is proud to present “A Nordic Yarn.”

Monday, March 4, there will be a dress rehearsal at 9:00 a.m. Feel free to show up if you can't make a performance date.

Tuesday through Thursday performances will be at 9:00 a.m. There will also be a performance Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. All performances are in the Old Main Building at 321 E. Decker St.

ADMIN

Upcoming Aftercare Changes

Courtney Maatouk, our Aftercare Director, is expecting a baby in April. We are so happy for her and her family! In preparation for this big event, **aftercare will be offered only through March 22**. We look forward to welcoming Courtney back into her role next September!

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

Position Open

We are seeking a Friday-Only Front Office Secretary. The position begins immediately and runs through May 24. Hours are 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Responsibilities include positively representing Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School, confidentiality, answering and directing phone calls, assisting with student, faculty, and parent needs, organizational tasks, maintaining records, handling petty cash and payments, etc. Please contact Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair, to apply for the position.

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

Lots of Volunteer Spots Still to Fill on the March Hot Lunch Calendar

HELP! We still have lots of volunteer spots open for the March Hot Lunch Calendar. Please consider signing up for at least one volunteer shift. Please follow the link to sign up:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1d5ih04aNRUFzvn6h->

[uOzY0Omaw2SGI01vuADThgvBHo/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1d5ih04aNRUFzvn6h-uOzY0Omaw2SGI01vuADThgvBHo/edit#gid=0)

- Amy Hazell, Administrative Chair

New Hot Lunch Volunteer Coordinator Needed

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 606-6330 or tlaurdan@mwt.net.

- Therese Laurdan, Hot Lunch Volunteer Coordinator

ENROLLMENT

Upcoming Enrichment Day – March 15

Are you looking for someplace for your child(ren) to be during the March In-Service? 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. Enrichment Days are for ages 5 years and up. Stop by the office with any questions. If possible, **please register your child by Wednesday, March 13**.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

Special Parent-Infant Session this Spring

PRWS will be offering a 4-week session of Parent-Infant Classes this spring. These classes are geared toward 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 in an environment that offers space and safe, natural items for your child to play and interact with. 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 with questions or to register for the session.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

A Walk Through the Grades Educational Event

Join Aaron Schmidt (5th grade teacher) and Ronald Schirmer (1st grade teacher) on March 19, from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., for *A Walk Through the Grades* event. Come and learn about the wisdom of our multidimensional approach from grades one through eight, participate in sample lessons, and discover how Waldorf Education engages and inspires lifelong learning. This discussion is geared for families with a child entering the grades or for families who are curious about Waldorf education and want to learn more. Please contact Jordan at enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org or 637-7828 for more information or to register for the event. Childcare will be provided by 8th grade students, for donations towards their 8th grade trip.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

DEVELOPMENT

Still Have Raffle Tickets to Sell? Sign Up for a Raffle Saturday Shift!

Saturday, March 2nd & March 9th

PRWS is partnering with area businesses Kickapoo Cafe, Viroqua Food Coop, and Nelson Agricenter to promote our annual raffle. We'll be parking the grand prize (a real conversation starter!) out in front of area businesses and setting up space where parents, students, and raffle committee members can sell tickets. Consider signing your family up for an hour-long shift. It will be fun! Please contact Robin Kottke at robin@pleasantridgewaldorf.org if you have questions or you'd like to sign up for a shift.

- Robin Kottke, Development Director

Raffle Tickets Due Friday, March 15

Please turn your ticket stubs and money in to the PRWS office. **ALL RAFFLE TICKET STUBS and PAYMENTS ARE DUE FRIDAY, MARCH 15th.** Thank you!

- Robin Kottke, Development Director

Save the Date! Spring Fling Family Fun Night & Raffle Drawing, Saturday, March 23rd

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the school gym

We're changing up the raffle celebration this year with a party for all ages, perfect for the whole family! Invite your family and friends, especially those who bought raffle tickets, to join the fun!

Come on out and enjoy live music, games, beautiful food, and a dessert bake-off. There's so much to celebrate: springtime, our beautiful school and community, and all that our annual raffle makes possible.

The winning raffle tickets will be drawn and announced at 8:00 p.m. Who will drive/paddle/peddle away with this year's fabulous prizes? Will it be you, or perhaps one of your friends or family?! Be there to find out and share in the celebration!

Admission is free. Dinner/snacks, drink, and dessert will be available for purchase.

The Great PRWS Bake-Off!

Do you make a mean dessert? Have you been dreaming up a new recipe? Let us know if you'd like to put a baked good in the ring for a bake-off contest that will coincide with the raffle celebration. There will be a few categories from which to choose. Talk to us if you're interested or would like to help plan.

- Hallie Ashley, Simon Stumpf, Erica Gerrity, and Robin Kottke, Raffle Committee

COMMUNITY NEWS

Thundering Taiko Drums! Ondekoza, Japan's premiere taiko ensemble, will have the **Temple Theatre** shaking on **Sunday, March 3, at 4:00 p.m.** The stunning performance combines raw power, beauty, and strength like no other. Ondekoza is touring the Midwest as part of Arts Midwest World Fest, the same program that has featured other wonderful groups you might remember from their Viroqua visits—Le Vent du Nord, Baladino, and An Da Union. Tickets are available at <https://historictempletheatre.com/>.

FREE Movie Showing of the The Truth About Vaccines movie (this is Part One of the 7-part docuseries).
Tuesday, March 5th, from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Landmark Center Theater - 2nd floor - at 500 E. Jefferson St., Viroqua.
For more info, call 637-6767.

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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 8:00am. There may be occasions, due to unforeseen circumstances or space restrictions, that the Community section will not be printed. Thank you.