

Lunchbox Express

An education for heart, hands, and head

April 3, 2019

Calendar

Thu Apr 4 2nd Grade Play – 9:30 a.m. – in the 2nd grade classroom

Fri Apr 5 Celebration of the Arts – 6:30 p.m. – in the Old Main Building – 321 E. Decker

Sat Apr 6 Kindergarten Morning- 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Sat Apr 6 Clothing Swap – 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – in the school gym – all are invited

Tue & Wed 9 & 10 Ist Grade Play – 9:00 a.m. – Ist grade classroom

Fri & Sat Apr 12 & 13 8th Grade Play – Landmark Center Auditorium – 6:30 p.m. on Friday, 4:00 p.m. on Saturday

Mon 15 - Mon 22 Spring Break - No School

The Viroqua Parks and Recreation Department 2019 Activity Guide AND the 2019 Viroqua Area Schools Summer School Program Guide are out! Copies of the brochures are available on top of the Parent Library shelf across from the 3rd Grade classroom. Registration beings April 1st for the Park and Rec programs; the last day for registration is April 30th. Registration for the Summer School programs is from March 28th – April 17th.

Friday Assembly Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Apr 5—Even Grades Assembly
Apr 12—No Assembly
Apr 19—No Assembly – Spring Break!

What's Cooking!

Come See "Tom Bombadil's Adventures"

The 2nd Grade invites you to come see its play "Tom Bombadil's Adventures" by J.R.R. Tolkien on **April 4th** at 9:30 a.m. in the 2nd grade classroom.

- Davina Hemmer, 2nd Grade Teacher

Celebration of the Arts – Friday, April 5th

Please join us this Friday, at 6:30 p.m., in the Old Main Building at 321 E. Decker St., for a Celebration of the Arts where the faculty will be providing appetizers and entertainment. There will also be a Silent Auction that includes faculty and staff artwork and other offerings. Proceeds of the event will support the PRWS professional fund. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know the faculty in a new way. They have many unexpected talenst!

Free will donation. Adults only, please.

Celebration of the Arts Committee

The School Store will be Open April 5

Stop by the front lobby on April 5, before or after the assembly, to check out all the new Spring items that the school store has in stock – perfect for the Easter season!

> Kathryn Ashley-Wright and Jordan Brudos, School Store

IMPORTANT May Hot Lunch Form Reminder for ACH Hot Lunch Families!

For those of you who have had your hot lunch payments withdrawn automatically, don't forget that you now must fill out a May hot lunch form (attached) and turn it in with a check before the beginning of the month. May was not covered in your hot lunch withdrawls so that accrued credits could be taken into account at the end of the year. Credits will be posted across from the office. Please stop in and ask if you have any questions.

- Nan Marshall, Office



EVENTS

Spring Clothing Swap

The PRWS Spring Clothing Swap will be coming up on April 6, from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., in the PRWS gym. Start gathering your spring/summer clothes and outwear that you are ready to pass on. No rips, stains, or lone socks please! Donations can be dropped off in the school office beginning April 1. If you are interested in taking a shift during the swap, please contact Jordan Brudos at 637-7828 or enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org.

PRWS Parent Association

"Les Miserables" – 8th Grade Play

Based on the classic novel by Victor Hugo, "Les Miserables" is the story of Jean Valjean, released from prison after 19 years for stealing a loaf of bread, who breaks parole to create a new life for himself, and the ruthless policeman, Javert, who relentlessly hunts him down. Transformed into a pillar of society, Valjean tries to help a poor factory worker, Fantine, by saving her child, Cosette, from evil innkeepers who pretend to take care of her. Valjean becomes her guardian and, as the years progress, a grown Cosette falls for a passionate revolutionary named Marius, while Javert closes in again on Valjean's secret past.

The play* will be at the in the Landmark Center, 500 E. Jefferson St., in the Auditorium.

Friday, April 12th, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 13th, 4:00 p.m.

There will be a French dinner in the gym on Friday, April 12th, at 5:00 p.m. This is a fundraiser for the 8th grade class trip.

* The play has quite a lot of shooting and death, so you may want to preview it before brining little ones.

- Betty Link, 8th Grade Teacher

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, then join us for a Kindergarten Morning and experience the magic and wonder of a Waldorf kindergarten.



Saturday, April 6 or Saturday, May 4

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 (Childcare provided during the meeting)

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 to register.

 Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator



<u>Sign Up for Our Upcoming Enrichment Days</u> April 15, 16, and 17

Are you looking for someplace for your child(ren) to be during spring break? 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 \$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 Wednesday, April 10.

 Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

Fiorella Family Returns to PRWS

Please join me in welcoming back William and Megan Fiorella, along with their sons, Sullivan and Harlan. Sullivan will be joining Mr. Schmidt and the 5th grade class. You can find the family's contact information in this year's directory.

 Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

ADMIN

2019-2020 Employment Openings

Imagine yourself beginning each weekday afternoon in our cozy, home-like kindergarten, assisting our youngest children on their daily explorations of the world through playtime in the garden, preparing healthy, family-style meals, and maintaining a beautiful environment for children to freely play, sleep and grow.

We are currently looking for a warm, loving, mature adult who can picture him- or herself deepening their understanding of child development and Waldorf education. We are looking for an **Afternoon Kindergarten Assistant** position, which is from 11:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. Monday-Friday. The position requires weekly and bi-monthly meetings, closing on school year workdays, and assisting with our midwinter/springtime Kindergarten Mornings, where we welcome new families into our school community.

If you are our ideal candidates, please contact Nan Marshall, Office Manager, to inquire and apply for the position. A job description is available on the website. Interviews will begin in April.

- The Admin Team

Winter is Over! Time to Return Your Skates!

Please return all the borrowed skates to the office as soon as possible. I already picked up some that were in cubbies, but if you have some at home or if I missed them, please bring them back to the office.

Thank you!

Nan Marshall, Office Manager

Mowing Help Needed!

The facilities committee is looking for volunteers to help mow the school grounds during the growing season. Pleasant Ridge provides the mowers and gasoline - all you have to do is show up and mow. There will be an extremely flexible schedule that can accommodate anyone. Volunteers will be put into teams to make things manageable. Email Jason Cole at jasoncole@gmail.com to sign up.

- Jason Cole, Facilities Committee

DEVELOPMENT

Got 10 Minutes to Raise \$10 for PRWS? We're Teaming Up with Agent Mike Nighbor through State Farm's Quotes for Good Program!

PRWS parent and State Farm agent Mike Palen has secured a sweet deal for PRWS this month through the State Farm's Quotes for Good campaign. For every person who inquires about an auto, home, renters, or life insurance quote, State Farm will make a \$10 donation to Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School. No purchase is necessary! It's quick, easy, and a win-win all around. Simply mention PRWS and the Quotes for Good partnership to earn a donation for the school.

Contact PRWS parent Mike Palen at 608-783-3999 (office) or 541-390-9743 (cell) or email



michael.palen.yzu2@statefarm.com to get started with your quote. You may also start a quote online at www.goodnighbor.com or stop into their office. This offer does not apply to current State Farm customers. When obtaining your quote, be sure to mention PRWS and the Quotes for Good program to generate a donation to PRWS. Thanks so much for your help!

Robin Kottke, Development Director

<u>Volunteer Opportunities for the 2019-2020</u> School Year

Service to the school can (and should!) be a gratifying experience, an opportunity to foster connections and feel more deeply rooted in community. We're looking ahead to next school year and seeking volunteers to round out the many committees that keep our school humming. Not interested in joining a committee? No problem! We'd love to plug you in as your schedule, interests, and abilities allow. Please contact Robin Kottke at robin@pleasantridgewaldorf.org or 608-637-8504 if you have the following skills and abilities you'd like to share or hone through volunteerism at PRWS:

- Event planning/Hospitality
- Facilities help (beautifying, repair, maintenance)
- Filing/Organizing/Archiving
- Food/Kitchen Prep parties (weekly, monthly, harvest time) for hot lunch program and/or events
- Fundraising opportunities
- Gardening/Greenhouse tending
- Grant researching/writing
- Graphic design
- Marketing
- Volunteer recruitment/coordination
- Writing/Editing/Photography for PRWS publications

I look forward to hearing from you! Thank you much!

Robin Kottke, Development Director

Celebrity Status + Free Lunch!

Many folks report that helping prep and/or serve lunch is one of their favorite ways to volunteer at the school, one that takes little time and is rich with rewards! This is certainly not the lunch lady/fella position or program from your childhood. The food is organic, locally and responsibly sourced, and no hair nets or mystery meals are involved. But the best part? The children, faculty, and staff are always oh-so-grateful! And you get a free lunch! Won't you join us this month? Please sign up for one (or more) shifts here: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/148l Dvj78436FCCzhicbrViVlcoYynz8nPlEuMyBHrUs/edit#gid=0

Robin Kottke, Development Director

Lunch Volunteer Coordinator Sought

Therese Laurdan, current lunch volunteer coordinator, will be 'graduating' at the end of the school year with her 8th grader. We're looking for her replacement...could that be you? Please let Robin or Therese know if you'd like more information! We're hoping to train Therese's replacement by the end of the school year. And when you see Therese, please be sure to thank her for her leadership over these past three years!

Robin Kottke, Development Director

MUSICAL NOTES

Spring Concert Thank You!

Thank you to the many parents and teachers who helped with the spring concert details. Thank you to Betty Link, Christina Hotchkiss, Amy Morse, Aaron Schmidt, Christina Derocher, Lerie Alstad Van Ells, and Kate Bergen for helping at the morning run-through and evening performance. Thanks also to Dodie Whitaker for all her support of the choruses and vocal groups. Thanks to Cathy Linskens for her help with the Grade 4 strings class, to Margret Lenarz for

overseeing and coordinating all the details,



and to Cathy Brummer, Margret Lenarz, and Diane Splinter the stage managers!! Thank you to Jason Cole, Monica DeClercq, Jerrod Getz, Kristina Gullion, Amber Knutson, Joe Lenarz, Marc LeMaire, David Levin, Jim and Tammy Olson, John Saunders, Matt Shortridge, Gregory Splinter, Jason Thimmesch, Alex and Jennifer Wade, and Taran Welchin who also volunteered.

Thank you all!

Stephanie Pedretti and Melissa Madura,
 Music Teachers

Return Concert Clothes

Please return your borrowed concert clothes to the office and have them checked off the list. Be sure to wash them first. Thank You!

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

PRWS Students Participated in the WSMA Solo and Ensemble Festival

Congratulations to our 6th - 8th grade students who participated in the 2019 WSMA Solo and Ensemble event this past Saturday, March 30, and on March 11. A big thank you to Dodie for helping prepare the students for their vocal events!

The students listed below participated along with hundreds of other regional students in grades 6-12. Pleasant Ridge had an amazing showing with so many participating, many in multiple events! Our students performed beautifully. We have two students going to state in May: Ada Lenarz for her violin duo with YIHS student Emma Krings and Peter Levin for his cello duo with YIHS student Lucia Nannini. The following students participated:

Grade 6

Iris Belling-Dunn - vocal solo, vocal quartet, vocal ensemble

Maya Fassbinder - vocal solo, vocal ensemble Iris Gorrill - violin solo, vocal ensemble Cameron Hawklove - cello solo, vocal quartet, vocal ensemble

Josiah Mangold - violin solo Zaiah Manspeaker - violin solo Wynne Roberts - violin solo Gibson Wade - viola solo

Grade 7

Luca Carns-Hilliker - cello solo Esther Crotser - vocal ensemble Andrew Fassbinder - cello solo Josie Hundt - vocal ensemble Dagny McGuire - vocal quartet, vocal ensemble

Aila Meyer - vocal quartet, vocal ensemble Kit Shortridge - vocal ensemble Wilma Taylor - vocal ensemble

Grade 8

James Benton - cello solo, vocal ensemble Aydn Brudos - violin and cello duet, vocal ensemble

Miles Daniel - piano solo

Zirelia Leinberger - piano solo, vocal ensemble Ada Lenarz - violin duet, vocal ensemble Peter Levin - cello solo, cello duet, violin and cello duet, vocal ensemble

Kevin Miro - two vocal solos, vocal ensemble **Fischer Olson** - cello solo **Freya Rising** - vocal ensemble

COMMUNITY NEWS

ISO bike helmet, for a 5-year-old with a small head. In-town Viroqua, e-mail fiddledancemusic@gmail.com.

Spring Children's Movement Classes with Mandy Herrick - Creative Movement for 3-6 year olds; Moving Together for 1-3 year olds with adult. Thursdays, April 11-May 23 (no class 4/18), 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (ages 1-3 with adult), cost = \$30; 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. (ages 3-6), cost = \$45. Classes held at the Old Main Building, 321 E. Decker St. Email herricam@gmail.com to register. We will explore dance concepts through story, song, music, and movement. Classes support brain/body learning, attention/focus, and emotional awareness all through developmental movement explorations.



Pierce Hill Performing Arts now accepting applications for 2019 Scholarships for Summer Music Camp. If you are a Wisconsin student grades 3 through 12 studying a string instrument (violin, viola, cello, bass, harp) planning to attend a 2019 summer music camp in the United States and in need of financial support, consider applying for a scholarship at the link below. Application deadline is May 1, 2019. Scholarship recipients will be announced on May 15, 2019. https://www.piercehillperformingarts.org/scholarship. Questions? Contact Monika Sutherland at (920) 421-2075.

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- 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.



Technology, Society, and Human Development Presentations by Gary Lamb

The Prophetic Future is Now: Rudolf Steiner's Perspectives on Technology and Human Evolution Suggested Donation: \$15

PRESENTATION: Friday, April 26, 7:00-8:30pm

CONVERSATION: Saturday, April 27, 10:15-12:00pm

From Egoism to Love: Doing the Good with the Guidance of the Fundamental Social Law, Social Threefolding, and the Reverse Ritual

Suggested Donation: \$15

PRESENTATION: Saturday, April 27, 1:30-3:00pm CONVERSATION: Saturday, April 27, 3:30-5:00pm

Gary Lamb is co-director of Hawthorne Valley's Center for Social Research in Ghent, NY. The Center acts as a "think and do" tank that combines research and practical initiatives to identify solutions to modern day social problems. Gary's a published author, frequent lecturer, and workshop leader. In 2017 he launched the Ethical Technology Initiative.



Please R.S.V.P. by email or phone to the events you would like to attend.

Lunch available for purchase.

events + info at:

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May Lunch Menu

*One Form Per Person, Please.						
			1	2 GF		
NAME			Soup	Rice & Veggies		
			and	with		
			Bread	Fruit		
GRADE						
	6	7 <i>G</i> F	8	9 <i>G</i> F		
May you	Pasta	Beans, Rice	Chili	Mashed		
	Alfredo	and	and	Potatoes with		
enjoy an	with	Nachos	Cinnamon	Veg gravy,		
adventure	Salad		Rolls	Cheese & Fruit		
filled	13	14 <i>G</i> F	15	16		
summer.	Pizza	Tostadas	Soup	Grilled Cheese		
	with	with	and	with		
	Salad	Fruit	Bread	Fruit		
See you in						
September.	20	21	22	23		
	Mac-n-Cheese	Burritos	Stew	Pasta Salad		
	With	with	and	with		
The Kitchen	Salad	Fruit	Cornbread	Coleslaw		
Crew	Monthly plan due by			Subtotal		
	All meals are \$3.50 each. Monthly menu due by			Credits -		
				Total		