

RIDGE Lunchbox Express

An education for heart, hands, and head

September 11, 2019

Calendar

Fri Sept 13 In-Service - No Classes

Mon Sept 16 4th Grade Field Trip – 10:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Mon Sept 16 5th Grade Parent Meeting – 5:00 p.m. – in the classroom

<u>Tue Sept 17</u> 1st Grade Parent Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – in the classroom

Wed Sept 18 8th Grade Parent Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Thu & Fri Sept 19 & 20 5th Grade Field Trip

<u>Thu & Fri Sept 19 & 20</u> 6th Grade Field Trip – departing after lunch

Sun Sept 22 New Family Brunch – 10:00 a.m.

Tue Sept 24 All-School Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Wed Sept 25 Kindergarten Photo Day – 7:30 a.m.

Wed Sept 25 3rd Grade Field Trip

Thu Sept 26 Grades Photo Day

<u>Thu Sept 26</u> 3rd Grade Parent Meeting – 5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. – 3rd grade classroom

Fri Sept 27 Michaelmas Festival

Friday Assembly Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Sept 13—Faculty In-Service – No School

Sept 20—No Assembly

Sept 27—Michaelmas Festival Pageant

What's Cooking!

All-School Meeting, September 24th

We welcome everyone to join us for the first of two All-School Meetings this **September 24th from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** Topics will include a state-of-the-school address, questions and answers with the Board of Directors, and facilitated roundtable discussions. We would encourage both parents to attend the meeting. Childcare, including hearty snacks, will be available. **Please RSVP to Jordan Brudos at**

enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org by Monday, September 23rd, if you need childcare.

- Robin Kottke, Development Director

School Photo Day

This year school photos will be taken on two days, beginning with the kindergarteners being photographed on Wednesday, September 25, at 7:30 a.m. in Drew Shonka's photography studio in room 205 of the Landmark Center. The students in the grades (1-8) will be photographed on Thursday, September 26.

School photos will be taken by Drew Shonka Details will be forthcoming in future newsletters.

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

Hot Lunch Automatic Withdrawal Payment Option

Does your child **eat lunch every day every month**? Tired of filling out the forms every, single month? Why not just have the money deducted from your account automatically?

You can still sign up for this option to begin in October. If you are interested in this option, stop by the office for details!

Nan Marshall, Office Manager



The County Fair is this Week

This year, the theme for the Educational display at the Vernon County Fair is "Making Memories." Please stop by the Education Building this week to see our creative display!

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and

Outreach Coordinator

What is Michaelmas?

Michaelmas is an autumn festival that prepares us for the inner awakening of our souls during the winter months. As the weather gets colder and the light recedes, we begin to look toward strengthening our inner forces as a light in the darkness.

Join us for our Michaelmas Pageant Friday, September 27th, 2019, at 8:20 a.m. in the Gym.

Save the Date for the Fall Concert!

Please add the date for the Fall Concert to your school-year calendars. The concert will take place in the gym at **6:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 21**. Students in grades 5-8 will be performing.

- Stephanie Pedretti and Melissa Madura, Music Teachers

NEEDED – Hot Lunch Volunteers

Dear new and returning families, hot lunch volunteers are **needed every Monday through Thursday.** Parent volunteers are vital to the success of our hot lunch program. Two Parent Volunteers are required each day to keep the process running smoothly – one person to both prep and serve food from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and one person just to serve from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free lunch is included! We need you to **sign up ASAP**. You should receive an email with a link to the sign-up sheet. If you do not receive the email or have questions, please call Therese at 637-8787 or email at tlaurdan@mwt.net. The link to sign up for September is below:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1_K QYV4v8JP-4wH7bx7X81E-

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Therese Laurdan, Hot Lunch
Volunteer Coordinator

ENROLLMENT

Welcome New Families!

Please help me to welcome the following new families, students, and siblings to PRWS!

- Keith & Kathryn Ashley-Wright: Olan (K)
- Kyle Bartelt & Mandy Herrick: Rio (K)
- Justin & Melissa Bolstad: Harlow (K)
- Kelly & Aurora Boyd: Leo (K)
- Graham & Jennifer Cassellius: Emmons (K)
- Josie Filipiak: Nora (K)
- Josh & Erica Gerrity: Freyja (K)
- Minh Huynh & Sarah Boecher: Vivienne (K)
- Simon Stumpf & Ashely Kiehnau: Rueben (K)
- Shawn Lavoie & AnnaJo Doerr: Persephone (K)
- Eric Levermann & Martha Karlstad: Luke (K)
- Mike Elliott & Emily Magnan: Wren (K), Hazel (4th Grade), River (7th Grade)
- AJ & Alyson Morgan: Griffin (K)
- Amy Petrozzini: Lodin (K)
- Tom Wieland & Jessica Rizzolo: Porter (K)
- Jason & Christina Welsh: Carmody (K)
- David & Jenelle Boyer: Olive (1st Grade)
- Mike Moon & Eva Schulte: Hazel (1st Grade)
- Dave & Morgan Moser: Mira (1st Grade)
- Renate Markle: Luna (3rd Grade) & Maitreya (4th Grade)
- Tom & Beth Krieger-Fritsch: Mae (4th Grade)
- Chris & Michelle Thomas: Helena (4th Grade) & Sophia (7th Grade)
 - Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

We Need Your Input!

We are in the process of scheduling some Parent Educational events for the school year, but we are curious about what topics interest you. Please send your ideas to Jordan at enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org.

 Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator





IN OTHER NEWS

Got 45 Minutes? Hot Lunch Serving Shifts Needed for September and October!

Our hot lunch program has commenced! Josh Witte has jumped right in as the new school chef, and we're so glad he's here! Julie will be staying on for a bit to help ensure the transition is a smooth one. These first months, as Julie and Josh settle into a rhythm, only two servers are needed each day for a 45-minute shift, from 11:45 a.m. - 12:30p.m.

Many folks find that volunteering in the kitchen and serving students, faculty, and staff is one of their favorite ways to volunteer at PRWS. And it includes free lunch for you! Thanks for signing up for shift(s) here: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1UpnErjLgE7QYFCWrXk7aYdJ5QL98FyEdvZ6YpYTjEjk/edit?usp=sharing

--Robin Kottke, Development Director

<u>Listen Up! The Pleasant Ridge Today</u> Podcast is Back!

Perhaps a little rusty, but we're back at it, bringing you news about all things PRWS and other area happenings. Hear about upcoming events, a bit about Scrip, and our annual contributions to the Vernon County Fair. You can listen directly from our website or via your favorite podcast player. Thanks for listening! https://pleasantridgewaldorf.org/9-6-19/

--Robin Kottke, Development Director, and David Levin, Parent

<u>Pleasant Ridge Google Calendar</u>

We have a Pleasant Ridge Google Calendar. If you would like to be able to check parent meetings, holidays, assemblies, or other school information from the comfort of your own home or phone, please stop by the office and ask Nan to send an invitation to you.

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

Waldorf Information Resource

Parents, have you signed up to receive "Waldorf Today" in you in box? If not, you are encouraged to go to:

https://www.waldorftoday.com/newsletter/ to sign up for the free newsletter and tap into the wealth of rich articles that will help support your Waldorf education choice.

- The Admin Team

In Sadness

About three weeks ago, Alumni parent Julee Caspers Agar's mother crossed over. Please keep the family in your thoughts.

Nan Marshall, Office Manager

COMMUNITY NEWS

Yellowcello Youth Orchestra - For intermediate and advanced string players - violin, viola, cello, and bass. Rehearsals are Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., at the United Methodist Church in Viroqua. To schedule an audition, contact Monika Sutherland, monika@yellowcello.com, 920-421-2075.

2 Sisters Trio, Sunday, September 15, 3:00 p.m., Viterbo University, Nola Starling Recital Hall

Kristina Gullion, violin; Monika Sutherland, cello; and Mary Ellen Haupert, piano - performing works by Clara Schumann and Johannes Brahms. Free and open to the public.

One bedroom is available ASAP. It is \$750; dogs are accepted; comes with underground parking. Call 608-606-4294 to take a look.

Dear Local Resident,

Do you reside in Vernon, Crawford, Monroe, or La Crosse County? Were you directly affected by flooding in August and September of 2018? Did flood waters impact you during 2019 as well? I am happy to say there may still be help available! The Lon- Term Recovery Group (LTRG), also known as River 2 Ridge Disaster Resilience Group, would like to get the word out about our organization. Made up of a group of volunteers, and two case managers, this group is here to help. The LTRG is here to assist any resident in the four counties listed above who still has unmet needs due to flooding.



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If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please contact one of the individuals below or visit the website to fill out an application. Let's not let our communities fall apart, instead let's rise together!

Sincerely,

Long Term Recovery Group (LTRG)

Allison Purvis

LTRG Case Manager 608-632-3299 allison.purvis@couleecap.org Cole Hewitt

LTRG Case Manager 608-632-7113 cole.hewitt@couleecap.org

September 27 - September 29 - Michaelmas Festival with Lisa Romero

Living Consciously with the Spiritual Year: An Esoteric Understanding of the Michaelmas Festival Schedule: Friday 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; Saturday 9:30 am - 3:00 p.m.; Sunday 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Festivals are celebrated collectively and yet they are also representations of an individual's initiation path. The mystery schools of the past consciously engaged with esoteric wisdom and offered festivals to present this wisdom to the community, clothing it in outer forms. Today, conscious engagement with this wisdom is now for the entire community. Deepening our understanding and ability to participate in the spiritual year serves to build a relationship between ourselves and the spiritual world as well as between ourselves and our community.

Please contact Mary Christenson at pleasantridgewaldor.org or at 608-606-5296.

Join us for FairShare CSA Coalition's 3rd Annual Bus the Barns - Sunday September 15th, 2019! When you sign up today for Bus the Barns, you raise money for The Partner Shares Program. Your ride helps families in need buy organic food grown right here in Wisconsin by a CSA farmer. Sign up today and help bring farm-fresh food to a family in need! Bus the Barns is a day full of community fun, local food, festive music, and specially curated on-farm activities. This year the tour will visit Burr Oak Gardens, Luna Circle Farm, Two Good Farms, and the Sassy Cow Creamery. Spots fill up fast, so be sure to register by September 5th! Learn more and secure your place at:

https://www.csacoalition.org/bus-the-barns/. You can't spell Earth without art, which is why we decided to invite Martha Buche from the Driftless Folk School and PRWS to get crafty at our Two Good Farm stop. Using tree leaves and copper wire, you'll get the chance to make your very own piece of fall art to take home and show your friends and family!

Small freezer for sale – 3 cu. ft. Like new. 34" H x 20" D x 20" W. \$75 OBO. Call B. McNeal at 637-2646.

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 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.

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