



Calendar

Fri Jan 10 – Korean Student Welcome Assembly

Thu Jan 16 – 3rd Grade Parent Meeting, 5:30 – 7:00

Fri Jan 17 - 8th Grade Eurythmy Performance

Mon Jan 20 – Morning assembly, Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Tue Jan 21 – 5th Grade Pentathlon Parent Meeting

Wed Jan 29 – Kindergarten Parent Evening, 5:30-6:30

Mon Feb 3-14 – Re-enrollment period

Tue Feb 11 – 9:00 a.m., Gr 1-5 Vision & Hearing Testing

Thu Feb 13 – 3rd Grade play

Fri Feb 14 – 3rd Grade play. Re-enrollment period ends

Feb 17 -21 – Parent/Teacher Conferences and Winter Break

Mon Feb 24 – School resumes

What's Cooking!

Raffle Tickets are IN!

Please stop by and pick up your raffle packets on the table just outside the Office!

Hot Lunch February Menu

Attached is the February Hot Lunch Menu. Thank you for your prompt completion of this form as soon as possible. Please bring to the office with payment attached.

Special Assembly – This Friday

Come welcome our Visitors from South Korea at assembly this Friday.



This year we have 11 students joining us in January. Please see their pictures on the bulletin board outside the office.

Hot Lunch Volunteer Help Needed!

HELP! We still need more volunteers to help prep and serve in the kitchen for January. Please consider signing up for at least one volunteer shift using [the following link](#): Thank you!

Instrument Rental Payment Reminder

For those of you paying for your instrument rental in two payments, now is the time to make the second payment to avoid a late fee. Thank you!

- Admin Team

Friday Assembly

Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Jan 10 – Korean Guest Welcome

Jan 17 – No Assembly

Jan 20 - *Monday, Martin Luther King Jr.

When School is Closed due to Inclement Weather

It's that time of year! Here's the scoop on winter-weather closings. PRWS (and YIHS) follow the Viroqua School District when it comes to closing for inclement weather. We would only deviate in the case of a closing that is not weather-related or if the VAS school schedule is different than ours (for instance, when they may have a half day already scheduled). We rely on the bus garages, who have their eye on all the roads, to make the safest decision, and - no matter what - if it doesn't feel safe to drive, don't! Though only a few PRWS students take the bus, many families, faculty and staff drive in, and safety comes first.

There are many ways to find out if school will be closed or delayed.

1. Text message and/or email: Sign up ahead of time by going to www.news8000.com. Under the weather tab, find email/text alerts. Sign up for your county. The message will come out as soon as the decision is made.
2. Online: www.news8000.com. Click on School Closings, located under the Weather tab.
3. Call the school at 608-637-7828. **A message will be on the machine by 6:50 a.m.** in the case of a closing or delay. In the case of a delay, it's a good idea to check back before the 10:10 a.m. start time in case the weather has turned.
4. School Facebook page, TV/Radio: WDRT, WVRQ, WKBT, WTCO

PRWS Parent Book Study

The Parent Association is hosting a book study of Kim John Payne's new book, *Being at Your Best When Your Kids are at Their Worst*. The book is divided into three sections. Our plan is to meet and discuss each section over the course of three meetings since there is a lot to digest and put into practice in each. We will be focusing on Part 2 in January and February. Join us anytime, even if have not been able to be part of earlier meetings!

January 17 at 8:15 AM at the Viroqua Food Co-op

January 31 after the assembly in the Parent Child room

February 14 after the assembly in the Parent Child room

January Aftercare Form is Now Available!

Be sure to sign up for your January aftercare now. The January form is located [Here](#) or outside the kindergarten and the main office.

- Jordan Brudos, Aftercare Coordinator

Re-Enrollment Week for School Year 2020-2021

February 3 – 14, 2020

Please look for program changes, additions, re-enrollment forms, tuition information, and adjustment applications beginning February 3rd.

Registration fee of \$165 per family is due with your re-enrollment form by **February 14**.

Registration fee **AFTER** February 14 will be \$500.

Tuition Adjustment applications will be due **February 14th**.

- Admin Team

Ice Skating this Year

Each winter, the students in 1st through 8th grades have an opportunity to ice skate at the Park Bowl during their movement class, weather and ice permitting. Given the recent warm weather, going skating may be unpredictable. First through 3rd grades will only go once/week. To make this possible, please work with your child at home teaching them to tie their own skates as we will not have skate tying volunteers this year.

We hope the weather favors a nice stretch of ice skating this January and February. **Lerie hopes all students will have skates within the first two weeks of school in January.** There will need to be a minimum of $\frac{3}{4}$ of the student body per class with skates to make ice skating possible. Skates will not be available for rent from the Park Bowl. However, the school does have some skates that can be borrowed.

School skates will be available in the gym after school to try on and sign up to borrow during the first two weeks of school in January.

The sign up will be self-serve. You can also find used skates at Play it Again Sports in La Crosse, and they also can sharpen them. You can also get skates sharpened at the Viroqua Arena. Anyone with skates to sell, please notify the Lunchbox Express, and we will put an ad for you in the Community News. It is important for all students to have good laces, blade guards, and sharpened skate blades. This makes the skates safer to skate on than those with dull blades. We recommend hockey skates for structural support and for keeping the children's feet warm. Skate guards or tote bags are essential for safety while sharp skates are being carried.

All students need full winter outdoor gear; snow pants, mittens, warm socks, hats and warm coats.

- Lerie Alstad van Ells, Movement Teacher

Community News

The Commons (formerly The Ark), 401 E. Jefferson, is again serving lunch in the Tea Room café on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:30 – 2:00. It's a nice place to enjoy good food or just relax and stay awhile. There is also a Free Store in the lower level, open the same hours with many household items, clothes, books, etc. We also welcome donations. The Tea Room (with free wifi, games and a child play area!) is also open Mondays, Weds, and Fridays, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please spread the word to your family and friends!

Curious About Youth Initiative High School?

Would you like to know what makes it different? Please join us for the winter Potluck of Ideas—a social gathering and showcase of what the YIHS students have been working on since November— Thursday, January 23, 2020; Youth Initiative High School; 5:30 PM.






LUNCHBOX EXPRESS COMMUNITY NEWS POLICY

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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.

February Lunch Menu

*One Form Per Person, Please.		*Please circle the dates you want to have lunch.		*Add \$ totals across and down.	
NAME _____ _____ GRADE _____	3 Pizza With Garden Salad	4 Burritos With Roasted Potatoes & Fruit	5 Winter Harvest Vegetable Soup With Bread	6 Rice & Veggies With Tofu & Fruit	GF
	10 Mac & Cheese With Veg & Fruit	11 Quesadillas With Beans, Rice & Fruit	12 Sweet Potato Chili With Cinnamon Rolls	13 Baked Potatoes With Fruit	GF
	17 	18 	19 	20 	
	24 Pizza With Cranberry/Apple Mixed Greens	25 Nachos With Beans, Rice & Fruit	26 Broccoli Cheddar Soup With Bread	27 Mashed Potatoes With Tofu Gravy & Fruit	GF
	Monthly plan due by			Subtotal	
All meals are \$3.50 each.			Credits		-
Monthly menu due by			Total		