

RIDGE Lunchbox Express

An education for heart, hands, and head

February 12, 2020

Calendar

Thu Feb 13 - 3rd Grade play, 9:15 & 11:00 am

Fri Feb 14 – 3rd Grade play, 11:00 am

Fri Feb 14 - Re-enrollment period ends

<u>Fri Feb 14</u> – Parent Book Study, after assembly

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

Mon Feb 24 - School resumes

Sat Feb 29 – Game Night in the gym

Mon Mar 2 – 8th Grade Pizza pickup in gym

<u>Sat Mar 7</u> – Family Square Dance

<u>Sat Mar 14</u> – Community Clothing Exchange

<u>Thur-Fri Mar 19-20</u> – 8th Grade Play "Macbeth." Grades 5 and up for school perfomace. Times TBA

<u>Sat Mar 21</u> – Family Fun Night & Raffle Drawing

<u>Sat Mar 28</u> – PRSW 40th Anniversary Dinner, 5-9:00 pm

Friday Assembly Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Feb 14 – Open Assembly
Feb 21 – No Assembly—Parent/Teacher
Conferences and Winter Break
Feb 28 – No Assembly

What's Cooking!

8th Grade PIZZA SALE – Cheese or Veggie - POSTPONED

Due to FLU, pizzas will be made on March 1 and available for pickup on Monday, March 2. We will continue to take orders; pick up a form in the office or from an 8th Grader. Choose between cheese or veggie. All proceeds go to their class trip. This may be the last pizza sale so get your order in. Only 150 pizzas will be sold. Thank you for your understanding.

- The Class of 2020

March Menu submission

Please, please turn in your children's March hot lunch menu(s) with payment as soon as possible. It is a short month with the Winter Break and processing the forms <u>before</u> the new month starts is very helpful to our Kitchen Staff. Thank you!

Office Staff

It's Re-Enrollment Time: February 3-14, 2020

Participation & Financial Commitment (PFC) Forms and Tuition Adjustment Applications for the 2020-2021 school year are now available on our website or on the table outside the front office. Please bring your completed PFCs and \$165 (per family) registration fee to the front office by February 14. If you are applying for a tuition adjustment, those applications are also due by February 14. Registration fee increases to \$500 if paid AFTER February 14.

A Finance Committee member will be available in the front lobby, from 8:15-10:00 a.m., on Thursday, February 13 to answer any questions regarding the re-enrollment process. Other questions can be emailed to Alycann Taylor at alycann@yahoo.com.

7th Grade Bake Sale Friday Feb 14

Check out the yummy treats from 2:45 - 3:15 in the main lobby. Proceeds go toward their class trip next year.

New Play Yard Sign

Thank you to Mike Moon for noticing we needed a new play yard sign...and then building that new sign! And thank you to Ms. Geri (Shonka) for the beautiful design. Check it out at the Jefferson Street entrance!



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Hearing and Vision Screening

We will be having representatives from the Vernon County Health Department and the Lion's Club at our school in the near future (date TBD) performing hearing and vision screening of 1-5 graders. If you do not want your child to participate in the screening, please notify Barb in the front office by Monday, February 24 (info@pleasantridgewaldorf.org). If any concerns are noted during the screening, parents will be notified in writing by the Health Department afterward.

- Barb Andree, Office Manager



Listen Up! This Week on the Pleasant Ridge Today Podcast:

In this episode we review the Korean Visitors' Farewell Assembly, discuss the re-enrollment and tuition adjustment process, the power of personal invitations, Candlemas, and upcoming events including our 40th Anniversary dinner celebration. Listen directly from our website here:

https://pleasantridgewaldorf.org/2-7-20/ or via your favorite podcast player.

Thanks for listening! As always, if you have feedback or ideas for the show, we're all ears. Contact david@davidlevin.com or Robin@pleasantridgewaldof.org

 David Levin & Robin Kottke, Podcast Hosts

Raffle Update!

Raffle tickets aren't officially due until March 16th, but it's helpful if you turn them in as you sell them. This way they may be processed in a timely fashion and won't get lost in your everyday shuffle.

Need pointers for selling your tickets?

Be sure to check out the info sheet in your raffle packet, resources on our PRWS

Facebook page and website, or email robin@pleasantridgewaldorf.org for an email template you can personalize and send along to your contacts. Also, stay tuned for opportunities to sign up for a shift at an upcoming raffle promotional event. Last year we partnered with Kickapoo Coffee, Pura Vida Wellness Center, and the Viroqua Food Coop to promote the raffle. This resulted in great visibility for PRWS as well as ticket sales! Thank you!

 Raffle Committee (Hallie Ashley, Erica Gerrity, Simon Stumpf, Robin Kottke)

40th Anniversary Dinner Celebration Update:

Tickets for our 40th PRWS anniversary dinner and celebration on March 28 will be available for purchase online by this week's end. Be on the lookout for an email with a link to register. The dinner menu is shaping up beautifully as we source the finest ingredients from local farmers and friends. A glorious feast it shall be indeed!

In the spirit of gratitude and accessibility, the cost per ticket has been lowered (by half!) from past anniversary events to ensure all who want to participate may do so. We have so much to celebrate! To that end, tickets are \$50 each, with an option to add an additional amount to help sponsor tickets for teachers if you are able or so inclined. We do anticipate a sold-out event, so please be sure to get your tickets early!

 Martha Karlstad and Jen Wade, 40th Anniversary Dinner Co-Chairs

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. Join us anytime, even if have not been able to be



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part of earlier meetings! Our last meeting to discuss Part 2 of the book will be on **Feb. 14**, **after the assembly, in the Parent Child room.** We invite you to take note of a passage from the book that resonated with you to share with the group. Also, please bring your calendars and we will schedule meeting times for Part 3 of the book.

 Stephanie Pedretti on behalf of the PRWS Parent Association

Tuition Statement for Tax Purposes

If you'd like a statement of tuition paid in the 2019 calendar year, please email your request to <u>finance@pleasantridgewaldorf.org</u>. Thank you!

Got 45 minutes? Sign Up to Serve Hot Lunch in late February and March!

Hot lunch servers are needed each Monday-Thursday from 11:45-12:30. A favorite volunteer activity, serving lunch to our grateful group of students, faculty, and staff includes a free lunch for you (to enjoy either here at school or to go)! And it's really fun. Please consider signing up for at least one volunteer shift HERE Thank you!

Robin Kottke, Development
Director

Announcements

Recorder Lessons and Workshop

We are excited to announce that recorder teacher Mary Halverson Waldo will be coming to Pleasant Ridge to teach our students on March 9 and 10! Mary specializes in both teaching and performing the recorder. She holds a Master of Music from the New England Conservatory of Music. As a Suzuki Recorder Teacher Trainer, she has taught recorder teachers and students in the US, South America and Europe. She has performed with the Bach Society of Minnesota, Fayerweather Friends, Pittsburgh Opera and numerous other chamber groups. We are fortunate that she is coming to work with our students! Students in

grades 3-5 and the upper grades Recorder Ensemble will all have an opportunity to have classes during the school day with Mary. She will also be working with the 4th grade at Viroqua Elementary School. This event is supported by a grant from the American Recorder Society.

Lessons: Mary will have some availability after school to offer individual lessons. We are still working out details of price and scheduling. Time will be limited so interested students will be accepted on a first come first served basis. If you are interested please email Stephanie Pedretti at stephaniepedrettimusic@zoho.com by March 1 with your child's availability after school on March 9 and 10.

Adult Recorder Workshop: Mary will also be presenting an evening session on Tuesday, March 10 in the PRWS Music Room for adults. Players of any level are welcome for a workshop including work on tone, articulation and recorder ensemble music from 6:30-7:30. Those who haven't played recently and want to brush up on fundamentals are invited to come at 6:00. This event is free, but an RSVP is required in advance. If you would like to sign up or have questions, please email Stephanie Pedretti at stephaniepedrettimusic@zoho.com by March 1.

Register now for the next session of Parent-Child Classes!

Parents and their young children (ages 1-4) can join Ms. Martha once a week on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings from 8:45-10:45 a.m. Classes begin the week of March 3. Cost is \$135 for the 9-week session. Click here for more information and registration form. Contact Jordan at

enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org with questions or to register for the session.

-Jordan Brudos, Enrollment & Outreach Coordinator



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Thinking about kindergarten for your child next year? If so, join us for an upcoming Kindergarten Morning!

Friday, March 13 OR Saturday, April 25 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

All parents who are interested in finding out more about our mixed-age 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

<u>enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org</u> to register.

-Jordan Brudos, Enrollment & Outreach Coordinator

Community News

Debut of Contours: A Literary Landscape

Join Ms. Catherine and Jonel Kiesau, among 20 writers, on Saturday evening February 15th to celebrate the DWC-produced anthology of new prose and poetry featuring our region. There will be a social hour from 6-7:00pm and readings start at 7:00. Seating is limited. Please reserve a free ticket at the Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/events/185943872597018/

WisconSing! Warm-up & Fundraiser

Liz Rog, Lia Falls and Lyndsey Scott will be at the Tapestry Yoga Studio on Sunday, February 16, 3:30 – 6:00pm for community singing and fundraising. \$5-\$25 suggested donation for scholarships to Wisconsing! Silent auction contributions are welcome. To donate or get more information email Kva,

WisconSing2020@amail.com

Family Square Dance

Saturday, March 7, 3:00-4:30 pm at the PRWS Gym. Join us for this all-ages, all-community event. Live music by area musicians and Suzuki violin students.

All dances will be taught and will be kid- and adult-friendly. A suggested donation at the door will support the musicians.

Come and join the fun! For more information, contact the school office, or call Sue at 608-632-1267.

Children's Movement Classes

Mandy Herrick is offering classes March 3 – April 9 in the Old Main Building, 321 E. Decker. Moving Together ages 1-3 with adult: Thursdays 4:30-5:00. \$30

Creative Movement ages 3-6; Thursdays 5-5:45. \$45

NEW Creating Dance ages 7-10; Tuesdays 3:30-4:30. \$54

Contact Mandy, herricam@gmail.com to register.

Eggs

Thank you for all the interest in our eggs! Cassell Hollow Farm will have eggs available Mondays and Thursdays outside the Cherry Blossom classroom. \$4/ dozen, GMO free.

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.