April 1, 2022



Calendar

National Library Week

<u>Monday, April 4</u>

- Librarian Appreciation Day
 Tuesday, April 5
- 3:15-4:15 Math Homework Help
- 4pm Track Meet Away

Wednesday, April 6

 3:30-5:00 Sewing Club

<u>Thursday, April 7</u>

- 7:05am Black & Gold Rehearsal
- 7:40am Club 21
- 3:15-4:15 Math Homework Help
- 4pm Track Away

<u>Friday, April 8</u>

• 9:20am Late Start



Listening, learning, and working together to prepare each student for success in life.



PLEASANT LEA MIDDLE SCHOOL

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> PRINCIPAL Brian Linquist

<u>7th Grade ASST. Principal</u> Carrie Hardin

8th GRADE ASST. PRINCIPAL NANCY BARTLETT





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Eye of The Tiger



Team 7-1 Olivia Alery

Olivia is great at getting other students involved and helping other students out!



Team 7-2 Subin Robinson Subin always has her work done on

Subin always has her work done on time. She is a great role model for our team!



Team 7-3 Gorki Enciso

Gorki has a great attitude and is a hard worker. He is responsible, pleasant, and a respected leader in class.



Team 8-1 Oscar Carpenter

Oscar is a hardworking student who cares about his learning. He is respectful to others and a positive role model for peers. We are thankful to have Oscar on Team 8-1!



Team 8-2 Joslyn O'Connor

Joslyn is a very conscientious student. She is very thorough on her assignments and she helps others around her. She is always doing the right thing. She is a very kind and sweet girl.



Team 8-3 Zach Thornton

Zach is always willing to participate in class! He brings such a polite and respectful attitude each and every day.



Team 7-8 Ella Holdmeyer

Ella has a joyful and infectious attitude. She is very responsible and takes pride in her learning. She is a joy to have on team 7-8.



LSPD Jr. Police Academy



Brad Bush, our School Resource Officer, is happy to announce the 2022 Summer Lee's Summit Junior Police Academy. The Jr. Academy is a week-long program structured to simulate a professional Police Academy experience for youth.

The 2022 Junior Police Academy will be held August 1st - August 5th, 2022; a link to the application is below.

Participants will learn about the following topics:

- Patrol Tactics
- Crime Scene Investigation
- Drug and Criminal Investigation
- Traffic/Accident Investigation
- Bomb Squad
- K-9 Unit
- Fingerprinting
- Emergency Services Squad (SWAT)
- Agility Course
- Situational Role Play

There may be opportunities to speak with other local and federal law enforcement agencies such as the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Secret Service, Sheriff's Department, Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) or Missouri Highway Patrol.

Jr. Police Academy Link

Applicants must be between the ages of 12 and 14, attend the Lee's Summit R-7 School District and/or reside in Lee's Summit. Class size is limited to 30 students.

PLMS BACK IN FULL SWING

Parents should have received a SchoolMessenger message from our Principal, Brian Linquist, on Tuesday, March 29, 2022. In his communication, he explained PLMS is returning to "past" middle school practices such as dances, mixers, lockers, incentive field trips and other "normal" procedures.

Starting Monday, April 4 students will begin putting their backpacks into their lockers in the morning before going to class. They will be able to take their binders, Chromebooks, and other necessary items with them to class, just as in past years. Backpacks, nap sacks or string backpacks will NOT be allowed in the classroom. Just as in past years, students will be able to go to their locker during passing periods and before or after lunch as they need.



Our monthly ABC mixers are social rewards for each grade level where students must have As, Bs, or Cs in all their current classes to attend. They are held during Advisory and students are free to go to the gyms or the commons. Seventh grade and 8th grade mixers are held on different days.

Our spring dance is April 22nd. Hosted by PLMS Student Council, the dance is definitely the event of the year for our students.

7th Grade

Doors will open at 6:00 pm for the 7th grade student and the dance ends promptly at 7:30 pm.

8th Grade

Doors open at 8:00 pm for the 8th graders and the dance ends promptly at 9:30 pm. Continued page 4.

PLMS BACK IN FULL SWING cont.

We want the dances to be special events for all students, but it is important to remember this is middle school and not a formal or prom.



Spring dance guidelines

- 1. Only eligible students from PLMS may attend the dance or be on school grounds.
- 2. No limousines.
- 3. Formal wear is discouraged. Nice school or dressy clothes are appropriate for all students. See-through materials, bare midriff, backless, strapless, revealing neckline or hemline, or any other inappropriate skin exposure styles of clothing will not be allowed. Jeans free of holes, rips, and tears are acceptable. No shorts. Students who are in violation of these guidelines will not be allowed to enter the dance.
- 4. Students must be in attendance for no less than the **last** 4 periods of the school day of the dance.
- 5. Students may not have been in ISS or OSS the day of the event.
- 6. Students must meet academic and student conduct eligibility requirements outlined in our PLMS student handbook to attend the dance.
- 7. Student behavior will be expected to reflect participation in a special school event. Inappropriate behavior, including horseplay, pushing, running, and fighting will not be tolerated, and discipline consequences and removal from the dance will occur.

STUDENT GRADES

Third quarter grades were sent out via SchoolMessenger yesterday.

You can also view grades through your PowerSchool Parent Portal. Once you log onto your portal (app or desktop), grades should be the default home screen.

A one-stop page to view resources to help you manage your student's learning is found from the Lee's Summit R-7 School website homepage. One the top select "Families" where you will find most all services you would need. This is a <u>direct link</u> to the page.

TRUMAN READER FIELD TRIP

PLMS students who participated in the Truman Reader Selectors program were rewarded with a field trip to the Truman Presidential Library. Students qualified for the trip by reading and documenting a minimum of 16 of the 23 semi-finalist books being considered for Truman nominees. The students participated in a statewide vote to select which books they felt should make the final Truman list for the 2022-23 school year. The Truman books are selected by students and librarians around the state of Missouri as excellent choices for middle school students.



Free/Reduced Lunch

The lunch charge waiver will no longer be in effect after the school year ending in May. This means all students must pay for their breakfast and lunches unless they are in the Free or Reduced program. If your student is eligible for free/reduced program, parents must complete the free and reduced lunch application found <u>here</u>.

If your student is attending summer school, this application must be completed and approved before the start of summer school.



7TH GRADE IMMUNIZATIONS

Message from the Health Room Attention 7th grade parents!

The state of Missouri requires students to have received a Tdap and a Meningococcal (MenACWY) vaccine prior to attending 8th grade. We will need a record on file at the school prior to your child receiving a schedule for next year. If your already received child has these immunizations and you have not provided the updated record to the school, please send it to the Health Room at your earliest convenience. Contact the health room with any questions. Phone (816) 986-1179 Health Room Fax: (816) 986-1207

BLACK HISTORY

Last month PLMS had an Advisory Door Decorating contest in celebration of Black History month. Mrs. Hoffman's class produced a creative team effort to include all the students in class. She is proud to share the creative work her students came up with.



