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# BILLIE NEWS!

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*Vision Statement: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow*



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## Pleasant Hill Elementary

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Attendance Line: 541-736-0411

Supervision: 7:45 - 2:30 p.m. Mon.-Thur.

7:45 - 1:30 p.m. Fri.

Office Hours: 7:30—4:00 p.m., Mon.-Fri.

Meal Prices: Breakfast 1.75 / Lunch 3.00

School Pay <https://www.schoolpay.com/>

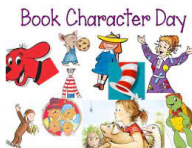
Daily Schedule: 8:00 - 2:15 p.m., Mon.-Thur.

8:00 - 1:25 p.m., Fri.



Last week was parent conference week at Pleasant Hill Elementary. Our goal was to meet with 100% of our families, as we are committed to partnering with our families to assist all students in being successful.

I saw a lot of smiles on faces following conferences last week. If you were not able to attend conferences, please reach out to your student's classroom teacher either on Seesaw or by calling the office at 541-736-0400.



## Harvest Parties / Book Character Day, October 31st

All of our classes will be hosting harvest parties October 31st. Be watching for more details from your student's teacher.

Students can dress up as their favorite book character on October 31st. Students may wear their costumes during the day, no masks or toy weapons of any kind may be brought to school as part of the costume. Student's need to bring their book to school to hold and display during our school wide book parade.

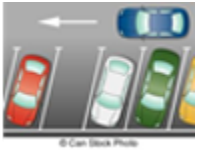
## You're Invited to Family PE Nights



Mr. Bofto is hosting our school's first PE Night to learn about what your student is doing in the gym during P.E. classes. The night will be filled with demonstrations of daily warm ups, routines/ procedures, equipment they will be using this year and play some games too.

Kindergarten-2nd Grade Families: Tuesday 10/24, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

3rd-5th Grade Families: Wednesday 10/25, 5:30-6:30 p.m.



## Parking Lot Safety

Parking safety at school is our first and most important priority. We all want our students to arrive at school safely whether riding the bus or being dropped off at school. Here are just a few reminders about what parents can do to help keep Pleasant Hill Elementary students safe in the parking lot:

Hill Elementary students safe in the parking lot:

- Drop off your student in the appropriate area:
  - K /1 students in the front of the school
  - 2 / 3 students in front of the library
  - 4 /5 students in front of the community center
- Pause Parking
  - Pulling along the curb in the your student's designated morning drop-off and end-of-day pick-up area.
  - Stay in their cars while in the pause parking lane, the lane closest to the sidewalk.
  - Continue to move forward as space becomes available, which helps to keep traffic moving.
- When to Park
  - If you plan to walk your student(s) to class.
  - If you are volunteering or visiting.

**All volunteers or visitors who enter the building between 8:00 a.m.-2:15 p.m. need to sign in and wear a badge.**

## Lost and Found



We have already accumulated a large amount of clothing on the table and bench outside of the school office in the Lost and Found area. Please remind your child to check his/her backpack everyday before leaving school to make sure they have **ALL** their belongings.

Also, please label your child's name inside all of their jackets, outerwear and lunch boxes. We make every attempt to return items to students if a name can be found. All items not claimed by the end of the month of October, will be donated to the Family Resource Center Clothes Closet.



## Why Should Students Read Twenty Minutes Every Night?

Let's figure it out--mathematically!



Student A reads 20 minutes five nights of every week; Student B reads only 4 minutes a night...or not at all!

1st: Multiply minutes a night  $\times$  5 times each week.

Student A reads 20 minutes  $\times$  5 times a week = 100 minutes/week.

Student B reads 4 minutes  $\times$  5 times a week = 20 minutes.

2nd: Multiply minutes a week  $\times$  4 weeks each month.

Student A reads 400 minutes a month. Student B reads 80 minutes a month.

3rd: Multiply minutes a month  $\times$  9 months/school year.

Student A reads 3600 minutes in a school year. Student B reads 720 minutes in a school year.

Student A practices reading the equivalent of ten whole school days a year. Student B gets the equivalent of only two school days of reading practice.

By the end of 5th grade, if Student A and Student B maintain these same reading habits, Student A will have read the equivalent of 50 whole school days. Student B will have read the equivalent of only 10 school days.

## Cell Phones

Students may bring cellphones to school for safety reasons. However, the cellphone must remain off, in the student's backpack or book bag and used only for emergencies with teacher permission. Misuse of a cell phone will result in the cell phone being placed in the office for a parent / guardian to pick-up.

## LATE, TARDY, STUDENTS MISS OUT...

During the school year, parents have the important responsibility of seeing that students establish patterns for punctuality and good attendance. The patterns established during these years very often become life patterns. If your student is late for school...



- They may feel conspicuous and embarrassed when entering the room late.
- They miss morning greetings from their teacher and their classmates.
- They will miss the group experience of starting a new school day together.
- They will miss the important instruction given at the start of a lesson. **Attendance is taken and class instruction promptly begins at 8:00 a.m.**
- They may feel pressure from having to catch up.



## End of Daylight-Savings Time Ends November 5th

Saturday, November 4th turn your clocks BACK one hour before going to bed. Daylight savings time officially ends at 2:00 a.m. Sunday, November 5th. We will see everyone Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> for school at 8:00 a.m well rested.



## Grading Day / No School November 9th

Teachers will be spending Thursday, November 9th preparing your students' progress report. A progress report is similar to a report card, except it does not contain comments, since you attended parent conferences last week.

### REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE



**ARRIVAL TIME—7:45 a.m.:** Students may enter their classrooms at 7:45 a.m. Classes start promptly at 8:00 a.m.

**Breakfast:** Students may enter the cafeteria as early as 7:30 a.m. if they will be eating breakfast at school. All students will be sent to class by 7:55 to be in class on time.

**PHONE MESSAGES:** We really appreciate and request that all of our families who discover throughout the school day their students' after school plans need to change please call the school office before 1:30 p.m. Bus notes are delivered to the classrooms around 1:45 p.m. daily.

**On Early Release Days please call in the messages before 12:30 pm.** It is important to allow as much time as possible on those days.

### Upcoming Events:

- Oct. 24th - 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. K-2 Family PE Night, Gym
- Oct. 25th - 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Grades 3 -5 Family PE Night, Gym
- Oct. 25th - 6:00 -7:00 p.m. FRC Family Pumpkin Party, PHCC and the Blue Gym
- Oct. 27th - 1:25 p.m. Early Release
- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> - Book Character Dress Up Day / Harvest Parties
- Nov. 3rd - 1:25 p.m. Early Release for all Elementary Students
- Nov. 5th - Daylight Savings Time Ends
- Nov. 8th - Picture Retake Day
- Nov. 9th - Grading Day / No School
- Nov. 10th - Veteran's Day / No School



### Community Opportunity:

- When:** Every Wednesday starting Oct.25th at 10:15 a.m.
- Where:** Pleasant Hill Community Center
- What:** Story, crafts, snacks, songs and fun!
- Who:** Parents and children under the age of 5
- Questions?** Please call Phoebe at 541-736-0495

