



PHE'S BILLIE NEWS!

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Vision Statement: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

Pleasant Hill Elementary

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Supervision: 7:45 – 2:30 p.m. Monday – Thursday, 7:45 – 1:30 p.m. Friday

With November in full swing and Thanksgiving quickly approaching, it's that time of year when we think about all the things we are grateful for. I am grateful for all of you. I have had the warmest welcome to this amazing community and have been so supported in getting to know our staff, students and families. THANK YOU!



No School November?

Many times I have heard this term (and may have even used it myself). We do have lots of days off this month but that means that coming to school on the school days we do have is so important. We are doing a variety of things to encourage attendance! We are doing an attendance competition between grade levels and staff. We are also awarding the class at each grade level with the best attendance. October's Grade Level winner is 2nd grade! Way to go 2nd Grade. The class at each grade level with the best attendance is:

Kindergarten- Craig
First Grade- Mason
Second Grade- Davis
Third Grade- Holladay
Fourth Grade- Bond
Fifth Grade- Grassman



And the class with the best attendance in the whole school is MRS. DAVIS' CLASS!!!! Congratulations! Please help your student's class and grade level win by getting them to school on time every day.

Billie's Winter Shoppe

It's time for Fall cleaning! Billie's Winter Shop will be on Thursday, December 19th. We are looking for donations of gently used household items. Including but not limited to home decor, toys, jewelry, books, electronics, sporting goods, anything that would make a good gift! (School appropriate please) Also, GIFT BAGS and wrapping paper. There is a large box in the front of the school you can place your items in! Please bring your donations by December 13th. Thank you for helping our students celebrate the season of giving.



Music

PLEASANT HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
~PRESENTS~
5TH GRADE CONCERT

Dr. Seuss' HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS

Who: 5th Grade
When: Dec. 12th @ 6:30
Where: PHES Main Gym

Students arrive at 6:00

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
Bring your family and friends to this fun evening of winter music! Everyone is encouraged to bring a canned or non-perishable food item to help those in need this season!

Thank you!

Thank you to Dexter Market for being our November Community Sponsor for the Book Vending Machine!



Bad Weather, School Delays or Closures



School closures, delays, or changes in bus routes, snow routes, may result from emergencies such as inclement weather conditions. School decisions are typically made by 6:00 a.m. after transportation personnel have examined the local conditions determining if we can safely bring everyone to school or we need to either delay the start of school or cancel school for the day.

When weather related emergencies occur, announcements are usually broadcast by the local television media (KEZI, KVAL, KMTR, KLSR) and announced on radio stations (such as KUGN, KPNW, AND KEED/KSND). The media obtains and broadcasts their information from Flash News, www.flashnews.net. You will also be getting messages via the district's messaging system Blackboard in the form of a Robocall, text message, and email message. In addition, we will be putting out an announcement via Seesaw to our elementary families.



Character Trait of the Month

Our character trait of the month for November is Kindness. We are looking for students who are demonstrating acts of kindness.



Health Alert



Pertussis Recommendations and Prevention 2024

September - 2024

What is Whooping Cough (Pertussis)?

Whooping cough is a respiratory illness caused by a type of bacteria called *Bordetella pertussis*. The disease is only found in humans.



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- The bacteria that cause whooping cough spread easily from person to person through the air. When a person with whooping cough sneezes or coughs, they release small particles with the bacteria in them. Other people can then breathe in the bacteria.
- Treating whooping cough early with antibiotics may make the infection less serious.

Pertussis Vaccines:

- The best way to prevent whooping cough is to get vaccinated. [CDC recommends whooping cough vaccination for everyone.](#)
- Whooping cough vaccines work but aren't perfect. For people who've been vaccinated but still get whooping cough, their illness is generally milder.



Pertussis Symptoms:

It usually takes 5 to 10 days for symptoms to appear after exposure to the bacteria that cause whooping cough. Sometimes symptoms don't develop for as long as 3 weeks. Whooping cough appears similar to a common cold early on.

Early symptoms: Can last for 1 to 2 weeks and usually include:

- Runny or stuffed-up nose
- Low-grade fever (less than 100.4°F)
- Mild, occasional cough
- Wheezing

These symptoms usually appear in stages and not all at once.



Later symptoms: One to 2 weeks after the first symptoms start, people may develop paroxysms, known as coughing fits for up to 6 weeks.

Coughing fits can cause people to:

- Make a high-pitched "whoop" when they inhale after a coughing fit
- Vomit during or after coughing fits
- Feel very tired after the fit
- Struggle to breathe
- Fracture (break) a rib

Are some people at higher risk from whooping cough?

People at greatest risk from whooping cough include:

- Infants under one year old.
- Pregnant people (especially in the third trimester).

- People that have a chronic respiratory illness.
- Whooping cough can cause serious and sometimes deadly complications in babies and young children.

What to do when you are sick:

Most people with whooping cough can manage their symptoms at home.

- Take antibiotics exactly as prescribed by your healthcare provider.
- Keep your home free from things that cause coughing like: Smoke, Dust, Chemical fumes.
- Get plenty of fluids, including water, juices, and fruits.
- Don't take cough medicine unless your healthcare provider recommends it. Giving cough medicine probably won't help and isn't usually recommended for children younger than 4 years old.



Inclement Weather Bus Routes

When road conditions are such that the district transportation system will be restricted the following changes in bus routes will take place. If there are no announcements transportation will operate as usual.

Hills Creek Road – Route 3

The bus will turn around at the Jasper Christian Church at Hills Creek and Kenney Road. Students living beyond this stop will be able to catch the bus there.

Wallace Creek Road – Route 4

The bus will turn around at Weyerhaeuser Road, just beyond 37047 Wallace Creek Road; students living above this road will be able to catch the bus there.

North Morningstar – Route 5

This road will be BYPASSED. The bus will pick up students at the intersection of North Morningstar Road and Enterprise Road.

Papenfuss Road – Route 5

If the weather is such that the bus can't go up Papenfuss Road, all students will need to meet the bus at the intersection of Papenfuss and Enterprise. This change will be announced.

Lost Creek Road – Route 7

The bus will turn around at Kimball Road & South Rattlesnake. Bus 7 will then proceed to Lost Creek Road and stop at Rattlesnake and the Quarry Road. Students living on the South side of Rattlesnake Hill, Hanna Road, Harold Road, and Lost Valley will be able to catch the bus there.

Intersection of Rattlesnake and Lost Valley Road – Route 7

Students ON Lost Valley Will also catch the bus at the Quarry road.

Lost Creek Road – Route 1

Lost Creek bus will wait at the intersection of Lost Valley & Lost Creek.

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. **Please do not drop students off before 7:30 for breakfast.**

MESSAGES: We really appreciate and request that all of our families who discover their child needs alternate plans after school to ***please send a note with their child.*** If throughout the day their students' plans need to change please call the school office before 1:30p.m. On Early Release Days **please call in the messages before 12:30 pm.**

Upcoming Events

November 27th- No School Teacher Comp day for Conferences

November 28th & 29th- No School- Thanksgiving

December 4th- Billie Spirit Assembly K-2, 1:40pm

December 5th- Billie Spirit Assembly 3-5, 1:40pm

December 10th- PTO Meeting, 6:30pm, Community Center

December 12th- 5th Grade Community Winter Concert, 6:30pm

December 13th- Popcorn Friday!

December 17th- Winter Wonderland in PE

December 19th- Billie's Winter Shoppe

December 23rd-January 6th- Winter Break!

Community Opportunities

A Year With Frog and Toad

Directed by Maya Burton

Waking from hibernation in the Spring, Frog and Toad plant gardens, swim, rake leaves, go sledding, and learn life lessons along the way. The two best friends celebrate and rejoice in the differences that make them unique and special. part vaudeville, part make believe... all charm, *A Year with Frog and Toad* tells the story of a friendship that endures throughout the seasons.

Performances are November 20-22 at 7 PM and November 23 at 2 PM.

Ticket Prices:

Students/Seniors - \$11

Adults - \$13

Family Pack (4 tickets for immediate family members) - \$40

Tickets will be available for purchase at the box office on show days. The box office opens one hour prior to show time.