



PHES BILLIE NEWS!

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Vision Statement: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

Pleasant Hill Elementary

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

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Daily Schedule: 8:00 – 2:15 p.m. Monday – Thursday, 8:00 – 1:25 p.m. Friday

Supervision: 7:30 – 2:15 p.m. Monday – Thursday, 7:30 – 1:25 p.m. Friday

Billie's Bucket Filler Food Drive



Our annual PHES Billie's Bucket Filler Food Drive to assist local Pleasant Hill and Dexter families begins Monday, December 1st and runs through Friday, December 12th. Students may drop off donated food items each day in the boxes on the bench in the front of the school. Some suggested items for donation are: Canned fruit, pasta, canned meals such as chili & stew, canned vegetables, dry beans, packaged meals, rice, soup, spaghetti sauce, tuna, peanut butter, flour, sugar, salt, condiments like ketchup, salad dressing, etc. Thank you for helping us support those who may need a little extra during the upcoming holiday season.

Gaga Ball!



Have you seen or heard about the newest addition to our playground? We now have a Gaga Ball Pit! Our PTO has been working hard planning for this installation and

purchased & donated all of the materials. Last weekend a group of volunteers worked alongside our maintenance department and installed this. The students are over the moon to have this on our playground. It has been so much fun watching them be so excited to have a new activity at recess. Wondering what Gaga Ball is? Gaga ball is a fast-paced dodgeball-like game played in an octagonal pit where the objective is to be the last player standing. Players hit a soft ball at opponents' legs below the knee to eliminate them. Players must avoid being hit below the knee to stay in the game and are eliminated if they are. Here are the rules & game play:
Gaga Ball Rules

Getting Started:

Players start with one hand touching the wall of the pit.

A referee throws the ball into the pit, and players chant "Ga-Ga-Ball" on the first three bounces.

Gameplay:

Players hit the ball with one hand, aiming to hit opponents below the knee.

Players cannot catch, throw, or hold the ball.

A player cannot hit the ball twice in a row without it first touching another player or a wall.

If the ball goes out of the pit, the last player to touch it is out.

Players can use the walls to help jump or redirect the ball, but not to sit or hang on.

Eliminating Players:

If a player is hit below the knee, they are out and must leave the pit.

If a player catches the ball they are out.

If a player hits the ball out of the pit, they are out.

Ending the Game:

The last player remaining in the pit is the winner.

The winner then gets to start the next round.

A huge thank you to our PTO for funding this! An extra big shout out to Ashley Vaccaro for organizing this whole project and to her family for donating the wood! We appreciate you all so much and what you do for kids every day!



Billie's Winter Shoppe

It's time for Fall cleaning! Billie's Winter Shop will be on Thursday, December 18th. 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 12th. Thank you for helping our students celebrate the season of giving.

Music



Billie's Got Talent
A kinder-5th grade showcase
December 4th @ 1:00 and 6:30
in the Main Gym
Join us to experience our schools talent!
Each show has different performances.
1:00 show is school attended. Students take seat priority

5th grade concert
with a special performance by,
4-5th grade Billie's Xylophone Crew
December 11th @ 6:30 in the Main Gym
Bring your friends to a night full of festive music and
a carol sing-along at the end. Wear your holiday gear!

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.

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 Arrive @ about 7:07 AM will wait for about 10 min. before turning around & continuing pick-up. PM. For Ele. Drop would be approx. 2:36 wait 10 min. Returning at 3:40 with HS students

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 Arrive about 7:09am wait about 10 min. before continuing pick-up. PM drop Ele. 2:27 wait 10 min Return approx. 3:29 wait 10 min.

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 Stop approx. 7:32 AM wait 5 min. before continuing pick-up. Ele. drop 2:38 PM wait about 5 min. Return at 3:38 with HS

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 Arrive approx. 7:24 wait 7 min. Drop Ele. 2:36 PM wait 5 min. Return at 3:35 for HS

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.

Rattlesnake Road Hill - Route 7 Arrive at 7:08, wait 7 min. at Kimball Road before turning around & continuing to Lost Creek. Drop Ele. 2:27 turn around wait 3- or 4-min Return at 3:27 for HS.

The Rattlesnake Road Hill will be BYPASSED; students from the North side of Rattlesnake Hill Road can catch the bus at Kimball Road.

Lost Creek Road - Route 7 Arrive at 7:25 wait 10 min. before returning to pickup. Drop Ele. At 2:43 wait 5min return at 3:40 for HS

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

Lost Valley Lane - Route 7

This road will be BYPASSED. Students living on Lost Valley may catch the bus at Quarry Road at the Rattlesnake and Quarry Road intersection.

Lost Creek Road - Route 7 Arrive at 7:25 wait 10 min. before returning to pickup.
Drop Ele. At 2:43 wait 5min return at 3:40 for HS

Will wait at the intersection of Lost Creek and Lost Valley for the students at the far south end of Lost Creek.



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.



REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

ARRIVAL TIME—7:30a.m.: Students may enter the cafeteria, covered area or gym (when needed for weather) starting at 7:30am. We do not provide supervision before 7:30am. Classrooms are open at 8:00am.



Breakfast: Students may enter the cafeteria as early as 7:30 a.m. if they will be eating breakfast at school. **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

Tuesday, November 25th- Thanksgiving Lunch

November 26th- No School Teacher Comp day for Conferences

November 27th & 28th- No School- Thanksgiving Break

Monday, December 1st- 1:40pm- 3rd-5th Grade Billie Spirit Assembly for Kindness

Tuesday, December 2nd- 1:40pm- Kinder-2nd Grade Billie Spirit Assembly for Kindness

Thursday, December 4th- Billie's Got Talent, Talent Shows 1:00pm & 6:30pm

Wednesday, December 10th- PTO Meeting, 2:30pm in the Community Center

Thursday, December 11th- 5th Grade Winter Concert- Elf! 6:30pm

Thursday, December 18th- Billie's Winter Shoppe