

From the Desk of Phoebe Lewis

Friday, May 1st, 2020



Welcome to the Family

Hello Fifth Grade Parents,

We want to welcome you to PRMS! We will start including you on our newsletters for you to see some information for the upcoming summer and fall. We are excited to have you join us!

Dinner Conversation

I saw this on social media this week, and it made me think...what would my own kids say to their own grandchildren about the memories? That is when I decided our family is in a rut, and we do the same thing over and over. Yesterday, we played Yahtzee over zoom with grandparents in Portland, Oregon. The next hour, Mike's dad texted all of us and said, "Can we please do that again?" I thought that it is not just the four of us creating memories! What would your kids say about your family memories decades later into the future?

Child - "How old are you, Grandpa?"

Grandpa - "I'm 81, dear."

Child - "So does that mean you were alive during the Coronavirus?"

Grandpa - "Yes, I was."

Child - "Wow. That must have been horrible, Grandpa. We were learning about that at school this week.

They told us about how all the schools had closed. And moms and dads couldn't go to work so didn't have as much money to do nice things.

They said that you weren't allowed to go and visit your friends and family and couldn't go out anywhere.

They told us that the shops and stores ran out of lots of things so you didn't have much bread, and flour, and toilet rolls.

They said that summer holidays were cancelled. And they told us about all those thousands of people that got very sick and who died.

They explained how hard all the doctors and nurses and all essential workers worked, and that lots of them died, too.

That must have been so horrible, grandpa!"

Grandpa - "Well, that is all correct.

And I know that because I read about it when I was older.

But to tell you the truth I remember it differently...

I remember playing in the garden for hours with mom and dad and having picnics outside and lots of bbqs.

I remember making things and fishing with my Dad and baking with my Mom.

I remember making forts and learning how to do hand stands and back flips. I remember having quality time with my family.

I remember Mom's favorite words becoming 'Hey, I've got an idea...'

Rather than 'Maybe later or tomorrow I'm a bit busy'.

I remember making our own bread and pastry. I remember having movie night three or four times a week instead of just one.

It was a horrible time for lots of people you are right.

But I remember it differently."

Remember how our children will remember these times.

Be in control of the memories they are creating right now, so that through all the awful headlines and emotional stories for so many that they will come to read in future years, they can remember the happy times.

Tech Tip



Netflix App: Safety Guide f...

smartsocial.com

The Netflix app allows users to stream or download popular movies and shows from a mobile device. Learn to use the app's new parental controls here.

BVEF Sunflower Ambassador Award

The Sunflower Ambassador Award is our most prestigious award given in the Blue Valley School District. Students and Educators are nominated and awarded because they exemplify and embody the Blue Valley School virtues. We are honored to announce and congratulate Maria Straub and Miss Heidi Glickert as this years PRMS winners. Maria was nominate by Holly Miller and Heidi was nominated by Ali Howard. Congratulations to both the winners and the nominators! Check out the video below to see the announcement!



<https://drive.google.com/a/bluevalleyk12.org/file/d/1sJ9c9-kixDFjix6OPGFw98mht6qZvZc/view?usp=sharing>

Live Zoom Lessons for Next Week

Drama/Speech: All Grades

PE: 6th Grade (Monday at 10:00 AM)

Spanish: 8th Grade (Monday/Tuesday)

Computer: 8th Grade (Wednesday)

Science: 6th Grade (Wed/Thur)

7th Grade SS: (Wed/thur)

8th Grade ELA: (Wed/Thur)

School Supplies: End May 10

SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR ARE ON SALE NOW!

This year they've been upgraded to include QUALITY, name brand products like Crayola, Scotch Tape, 3M Post-It's, and Sharpie!

We know the end of the school year is looking a little different this year, but it's time to start thinking ahead to the 2020-2021 School Year! School supplies for next year can now be ordered at www.pleasantridgepto.com. Save yourself time, and the hassle of running from store to store trying to find what you need! **Deadline to order is June 10th**, and pre-purchased kits will be ready for pickup at Roundup at the Ridge.

While ordering supplies, you can also [Power Up the Ridge](#) and become a [PTO Member](#) for the 2020-21 school year.

Want to order school supplies for an **incoming 6th Grader**? Get connected with the PTO? The best way to be in the know, make purchases, and volunteer is to create a free account

on www.pleasantridgepto.com. Already registered on our PRM PTO website, but need to add another student? Follow the steps below:

1. Click Login/Register
2. Sign in.
3. Click "My Account".
4. Click on Family Information. On the 2nd page, click 'I have another student'. **Remember to use their current 2019-20 grade.**

Please contact April Kempton at april_kempton@hotmail.com with any questions.



Yearbooks

PRMS has been notified that yearbooks will not be done until summer because the vendor has had to shut their plant down. We will be working on a plan for the fall to get the yearbooks to all students. We so miss these students!

Registration dates set for 2020-21 school year

Mark your calendar! Registration for the 2020-21 school year will open on May 13. Please note this date is later than usual to give staff and families time to prepare during these extenuating circumstances.

- **Returning student registration for the 2020-21 school year:** Registration for returning early childhood and K-8 students opens on May 13, 2020. High school registration opens July 8, 2020. ParentVUE login and password are required.
- **Fee payments for the 2020-21 school year:** Fee payments for early childhood and K-8 families open on May 13, 2020. High school fee payments open on July 8, 2020. To provide needed flexibility for families with changing financial situations, fee payment will be open through July 30.

Registration is required every year to review/update information about your child(ren) including phone, email, emergency contacts, health data, etc. By completing your registration, you confirm that your child(ren) will return to school in August.

From the PTO

PIE FIVE "TAKE OUT Fundraiser"

When: Wednesday, May 13

Time: 2pm-9pm

Click Here for details: <https://www.groupraise.com/events/143366-pleasant-ridge-middle-school-at-pie-five>

Let's make this last fundraiser of the year our biggest yet for PRMS!!

Please help us promote this fundraiser by sharing the link with friends, family, and neighbors! We appreciate YOU!

You can do curbside, order and pickup inside, or order online and opt for delivery!

Place your order here at this link on May 13th: <https://order.piefivepizza.com/menu/pie-five-pizza-deer-creek-2>

If you place your order online use the promo code: EATEARNKC.

THANK YOU for supporting PRMS!



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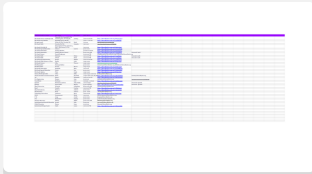
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PRMS staff office hours

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Tech Problems?

During our BV's Continuous Learning Plan some students may experience technology issues. If your student has issues, please work with our BVCare services to get them resolved. Instructions on how to access BVCare can be found at the link below.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1NqxKLVI-VqtASIPmL73aq4743jsFFGpcDoVzia8b8hQ/edit?usp=sharing>

Communication

Please follow our Pleasant Ridge PTO Website:

www.pleasantridgepto.com

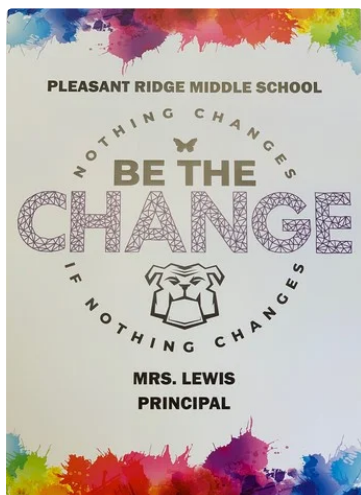
Facebook for PTO:

Pleasant Ridge Middle School PTO

Facebook for PRMS
facebook.com/prmsbulldogs

Twitter for PRMS
@PleasantRidgeMS

PRMS Website:
<https://district.bluevalleyk12.org/schools/Middle/PRM/Pages/home.aspx>



Pleasant Ridge Middle School

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Mission:

As a team, we will create a respectful, student-centered, and learning focused environment.

Vision:

Relentless pursuit of each student's success

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