# PSE Weekly Howl

Week of April 29th!

### Thank you!!!

PSE Spring Book Fair 2024

Thank you to Chelsea Anderson, Lauren Bohning and crew for volunteering during our amazing book fair this week. The PSE community is so thankful for you!

**Donuts with Divas** 

Donuts with Divas was a success, thanks to Maggie Heilman and team for all of their hard work to make this happen. Thank you to all the Divas that could attend and enjoy those donuts with your sweet babies.

# Last Late Night at the Star is May 3rd!

Prairie Star staff is excited to continue <u>Late Night at the Star</u>! Late Night at the Star classes are after-school enrichment programs offered to the students here at Prairie Star.

Each Friday night class costs \$50 and will run from after school until 6:30. If you enroll in Late Night, you will not need to pick up your child until 6:30. Please assume that your child is enrolled in each class that they have requested unless you hear from the office.

Camp scholarships are now available. Please get in touch with Mrs. Sperry for more information.

#### To enroll in camps, please see the website link:

https://prairiestarpto.membershiptoolkit.com/home. Registration closes the day before at 6:00 pm.

All Late Night at the STAR questions go to Melissa Bonner. Her email is mabonner@bluevalleyk12.org.

#### Cinco de Mayo Fiesta-Arquieta-K-5

¡Viva México! ¡Viva la Fiesta! Join us as we review the real history of Cinco de Mayo and celebrate Mexican culture. We will enjoy Mariachi music, Ballet Folklórico, make arts and crafts, play games and enjoy a taco bar! "Taco about" a fun time!!

#### DIY dollhouses-1st grade team- K-5

Give your dolls a home of their own! In this late night with the first grade teachers, you'll create personalized dollhouses using shoe boxes with scrapbook paper for walls, sponges for beds, popsicle sticks for fences, and so much more! Bring at least one shoebox/or box, but if you want more, bring as many as you want! Snacks and dinner included!

#### Pokemon Palooza!-Kindergarten team-K-5

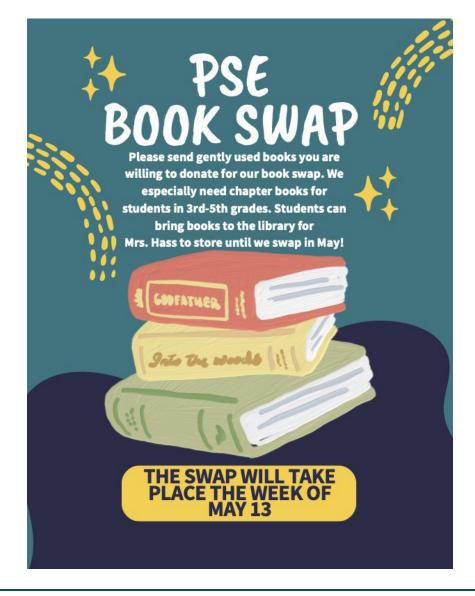
Join the K teachers for some challenging Pokemon training activities! We will play a Pokemon GO scavenger hunt, evolve and create our own Pokemon! Snacks, dinner, dessert and party favors included. Hurry... gotta catch 'em all!

#### Water Mania-5th Grade team-K-5

Are you ready for some fun? Join us for an evening full of great outdoor activities and water fun! Let's get messy through some creative competitions for all ages! Dinner will also be provided!

#### **Knights in Cardboard Armour -Wilson-K-5**

Hear Yee Hear Yee! Calling all students who want to defend the PSE castle and fight off the dragon! We will be constructing and decorating armour constructed out of cardboard and other cool materials! Bring your creative energy, your playful spirit, and passion for medival battle garb. Pizza, candy, and lots of fun as we battle the dragon at the end of our nightwith our friends!



# **Staff Appreciation Week May 6th-10th**

Let's celebrate our Prairie Star staff during teacher appreciation week! We are asking families to consider *adopting a staff member* and spoiling them during the week of May 6th - May 10th. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4BAFAF2EA0FF2-48922658-pse2024

Thank you for ensuring all our PSE staff know how much we appreciate them! Please see the link for "Favorite Things" lists for ideas! Please drop off all gifts between Monday, May 6th, and Friday, May 10th.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1fdacpb56ID4mOKMPp8EgchfDsL3QV\_0-5na-1RBc2hQ/edit?usp=sharing

# Registration for 24-25 is open!

Blue Valley families,

Early childhood, elementary and middle school registration for the 2024-25 school year is now open <u>online</u> for current students and families. During registration, you will review/update your child's information (phone, email, emergency contacts, health information, etc.). Simply log in and click the registration tab to begin!

Important items of note

- Families have access to pay all required and optional fees except middle school course fees. Middle school course fees will be assigned in September.
- The Early Childhood program requires an advanced application for new students only. More information about the program and application process is available <u>online</u>.
- High school registration opens July 8, 2024.

Completing registration and fee payments helps the district appropriately staff classrooms. As we prepare for the new school year, we look at paid registration as a commitment from a family regarding their attendance for the upcoming year.

Thank you for providing important information through registration.

Blue Valley Schools

### Mark your calendars for Back to School Dates!!!

- Class Assignments: On August 9th, you will receive a Welcome email from your child's teacher at 4 pm
- School Pictures are in the gym on August 12th from 3:00 to 5:30 p.m. If this doesn't work for your schedule, we will have a make-up day later in the year.
- Sneak Peek: August 12th, 4:30-5:30 pm. Meet your teacher and see your classroom, buy school spirit wear, learn about PTO opportunities, and enjoy an ice cream with your friends and neighbors.
- First full day of school for 1st 5th: August 13th, 8:40 am-3:45.
- Kindergarten Orientation: August 13th, sign-up here- Kindergarten Orientation
- First full day for Kindergarten: August 14th, 8:40 am-3:45 pm
- Back to School Night: August 22nd, adult-only event to learn classroom information
  - Session 1: 5:00-5:30pm
  - Session 2: 5:45-6:15 pm, this is a repeat of Session 1 for families with multiple students or who couldn't attend Session 1

**Event Information** 

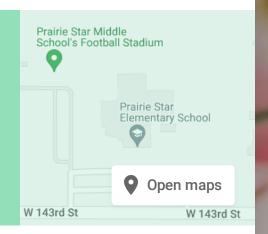
5th Grade Talent Show @ 6:30

When?

Thursday, May 16, 2024, 06:30 PM

Where?

Prairie Star Elementary School, West 143rd Street, Leawood, KS, USA



**Event Information** 

5th Grade Farewell @ 9:00

PSE gym at 9:00

When?

Monday, May 20, 2024, 09:00 AM

**Event Information** 

#### **Talent Show Matinee**

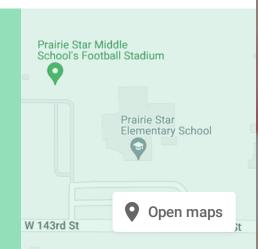
5th grade talent show at 9:00

When?

Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 09:00 AM

Where?

Prairie Star Elementary School, West 143rd Street, Leawood, KS, USA



**Event Information** 

## Field Day-May 22nd 12:45-3:20

Volunteers are needed for Field Day on May 22nd. Please consider volunteering to work at a station for a couple of hours. We need you from 12:45-3:30. Thank you in advance! ~Coach and Stacey

#### Field Day Volunteer

When?

Wednesday, May 22, 2024, 12:45 PM

**Event Information** 

#### 5th Grade Clap-Out on May 24th!

We are starting the 5th-grade clap-out on May 24th at 11:00. All 5th-grade parents that would like to attend need to line the sidewalk from the parking lot (by PSMS track) to the playground by 11:00. We will walk outside from the old recess doors. When you see your child, please join them and walk with them. If you cannot attend, those students will step back in the front doors and to class and be dismissed as usual. This will allow us to keep everyone safe during

Prairie Star Middle School's Football Stadium

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dismissal and enable you to spend time with your child on the last day at PSE.

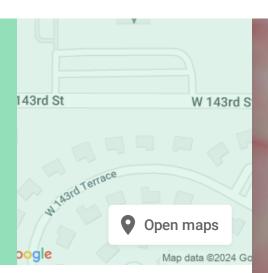
Grades K-4 will be dismissed starting at 11:35.

When?

Friday, May 24, 2024, 11:00 AM

Where?

Prairie Star Elementary School, West 143rd Street, Leawood, KS, USA



## Important dates for our incoming Kindergartners!

#### To-Do:

- Complete Registration, click <u>here</u> to access ParentVue
- Upload or bring the required documents (office hours are 7:30 am-4 pm)
  - Birth Certificate
  - Proof of Residency (recent utility bill or lease agreement)
  - Updated immunizations
- Add Prairie Star Elementary to your contacts, 913-239-7100
- Read A Family's Guide to Kindergarten
- Schedule physical with Primary Care Physician
- Purchase student school supplies-PTO School Supply Kits
- Create a <u>lunch account</u> (not available until August 1st)
- Possible: contact the school nurses regarding health needs
  - Karen Ehlers- kehlers@bluevalleyk12.org
- Possible: register for transportation (Durham)
- Possible: register for <u>YClub</u>, YMCA before and/or after school care; we will email you when registration opens
- Possible: Sign up for Kindergarten Camp- <a href="https://www.smore.com/n/8quxf">https://www.smore.com/n/8quxf</a>.
- Here are four video clips to help prepare you for Kindergarten:
  - Lunch Practice Lunch Box Games School Readiness
  - Using Scissors Teaching Children How to Use Scissors Safely
  - Pencil Grip Correct Pencil Grip Kindergarten Prep
  - Letter Sounds Blendable Letter Sounds UFLI Jack Hartmann
- Here is the Kindergarten Smore with all the information from Round-Up! https://www.smore.com/n/ue70s

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me! Stacey Sperry Parents, it's time to buy your 1st Day School Supplies. I know it seems early, but before you know it, summer will be here. It's important you order your supplies before it's too late or supplies run out. Start the school year with the exact supplies your teacher requested, and give your child the confidence they need to conquer next year! Get them today before it's too late! If you have any questions, please email Jessica Cartwright at <u>jeart1105@gmail.com</u>.

https://1stdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php? sid=41493&utm\_source=Y2&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=Kickoff1

# **Attention Current 5th Grade Families- Here are the PSMS School Supplies!**

Prairie Star Middle School has partnered with 1st Day School Supplies to make school supply shopping fast and easy! If you wish to purchase a school supply kit for your PSMS student, use the link below and be sure to save your receipt. School supplies will be delivered to PSMS in August and distributed before the first day of school. Order deadline is July 1 - no exceptions. If you have questions, please contact Erin Briggeman (<a href="mailto:erin\_boomer@yahoo.com">erin\_boomer@yahoo.com</a>). <a href="https://lstdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=41494">https://lstdayschoolsupplies.com/kits.php?sid=41494</a>



Ability Showcase
April 26th
Art show 6:30/ Stage show 7:00
Ability Showcase Flyer and Application

#### **Future Voter Sticker Contest**

The Johnson County Election Office is running a contest for K-8 students to design a sticker to be distributed to youth at advance voting and Election Day polling sites. The submission deadline is May 3. Contest rules and required forms are included in this Sticker Contest Packet as well as at this link.

# Some of our excellent PSE Staff run summer Camps at PSE!

Kindergarten Camp for our Incoming Kindergarten students, please visit this link for all the information,

https://www.smore.com/n/8quxf.

Miss Nick's Storybook Steam Camp for 2nd and 3rd grade students. See picture below.

Summer Camp with the SPECIALS teachers! <a href="https://www.smore.com/n/cwk40">https://www.smore.com/n/cwk40</a>





# **Stacey Sperry**

Stacey is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters