

Pleasant Hill Intermediate School

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May 2022

Important Dates

5/3-13-22 - APEX/PTO Fundraiser

5/6/22 - Field Day

5/17/22 - IS Music Concert @ HS PAC

5/20/22 - 3 HR Early Dismissal, Last Day of School

5/30-22 - Memorial Day

5/31/22 - First Day of Summer School

ELECTIVE TEAM NEWSLETTER



Health Room Reminders:

We have stock Ibuprofen, Tylenol, Tums, and Cough Drops in the Health Room for those who have signed permission for us to give. Please do not send any medication to school with your child as this is a safety concern due to having

loose medication floating around the school. If children are on antibiotics or any other medication that needs to be given at school, please check them in with the nurse. Thank you!

The Principal's Page

Dear Parent,

Our last month is upon us; I don't know where the school year has gone! Students and staff are excited about the learning and upcoming activities that will be taking place during the remainder of the year. Please check important dates; it will be a very busy month!

MAP Testing

We have concluded MAP testing and will be doing MAP make-up testing through May 6. Our students have been doing an outstanding job of putting forth their best effort and taking the test seriously. We are proud of how hard they worked!

Last Day of School Activities

Our Last day of school is May 20. This is an early release day. Students will be dismissed at 12:22 pm. Students will remain in their homeroom classes and engage in the following activities on this day:

- View the PHIS talent show video
- Sign yearbooks
- Awards and Celebrations in homeroom
- Chromebook and charger check-in
- Summer Reading Challenge Kick-off
- Activities in Core Classes

Chromebook and Charger Collection:

All students must turn in their chromebook and charger on the last day of school. Please ensure your child has both the device in its case along with the charger. There will be fees assessed from the Technology Department for missing or damaged devices/chargers.

Parents of virtual students should plan on dropping their child's Chromebook and charger off during the school day on May 20. The school hours are 7:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Enrollment-Registration for the 2022-2023 school year:

Once the District sends out information during the summer/early fall, Enrollment-Registration for the 2022-23 school year can be completed online (including proof of residency). Should you need to attend enrollment/registration in person, you may do so. This event is scheduled for

August 3 at Pleasant Hill High School from 2:00-7:00pm. More information will be shared regarding enrollment/registration at a later date.

Enjoy your summer vacation. We hope that it is safe and filled with fun and relaxation!

Educationally Yours,
Chandra Arbuckle

New District Website and App:

With the addition of our new website (www.phr3.org), the Pleasant Hill R3 School District is also unveiling a new app (found on both the Apple and Android app stores). The app includes a Push Notification feature that PHSD plans to utilize to get information out to students, staff, and families in more efficient and detailed ways.

Below is a link to a Google Slides presentation that introduces the app and some key features. We encourage you to download the app and begin using this means of communication. The new app will be the best and easiest way to communicate school closures due to inclement weather.

This is an exciting new facet of PHR3 that we are delighted to share.

[PHSD App / Notifier Intro and Instructions](#)

Mission: The mission of PHIS is to provide a comprehensive system of support to develop 21st century, life-long learners who master objectives through displaying character traits and work ethic necessary to collaborate, create, and communicate in and beyond the classroom.

Vision: At PHIS, we believe we can and will reach our potential.

**District Mission:
Every Student Every Day**

The Counselor's Corner

As we get close to the end of the school year, we are thinking about next year! Fifth grade students have already turned in their elective choice forms for next year, and sixth grade students have requested their classes for middle school next year. We will be working hard to get their schedules set up and ready for them when they return in August!

Summer is also around the corner, and there are lots of great family activities to do in the KC area. Check out the ideas listed in this article!

<https://www.ifamilykc.com/blog/summer/fun-summer-activities-kids/>

Mrs. Cole (rcole@pleasanthillschools.com)

ART

Ms. McNealy (amcnealy@pleasanthillschools.com)

We are approaching the end of the school year! Keep a lookout for fabulous artwork to come home with your students as we wrap the final weeks in the art room! Students have started a few of their final projects and those will be sent home before the last day as well!

Music

Ms. Barry (sbarry@pleasanthillschools.com)

5th Grade Music:

Students will continue with solfege patterns and will be putting both solfege and rhythmic patterns to use through instruments and singing. Students will review musical concepts through various games and activities. Students will continue to learn more about different musicians through highlights.

6th Grade Singers

Singers will be preparing for our May concert by fine tuning posture and breathing while also working on solfege, rounds and our literature. (Count on Me & J'tends Le Moulin) Students will be learning more about different musicians through our musician of the week.

Experiencing Music:

Students will be starting Bucket Drumming! We will be learning the inner workings/parts and how to properly care for and hold drum sticks and buckets drums. Students will be learning different songs and popular music on the buckets. Students will be learning more about different musicians through our musician of the week.

Clubs:

Sixth Grade Choir

Sponsor: Ms. Barry -Rm #400

When: Wednesday 3:30-4:30

PHIS Rockin' Roosters

Sponsor: Ms. Barry -Rm #400

When: Monday 3:30pm-4:30pm 2nd Semester

Morning Intramurals

Sponsor: Coach Stilwell

LAST DAY: May 5th

Computer

Miss Greve (lgreve@pleasanthillschools.com)

Computer Club

LAST DAY to meet this year: May 11th

No AM club on May 3, 2002

Tuesday 7:25AM - 7:55 AM **Tuesday 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM** **Wednesday 3:30 PM - 4:15 PM**

The Computer Club will be held in Ms. Greve's computer lab. All students are welcome. Some activities will be creating videos, using green screens, coding, and creating fun digital puzzles. Students are also welcome to work independently to finish digital projects for any PHIS class. Students need to be picked up at the front of the school by the flagpole.

5th Grade:

Students have been working on coding. Using the website www.coding.com, students have been using a type of drop and drag coding. They have learned how to debug a program, as well as how to sequence code to make characters perform tasks.

Students will wrap up the year by creating a welcome sign for next year's 5th grade students

6th Grade Computer Applications:

Students spent part of April learning ways to avoid various computer viruses. Students learned to identify clues to help spot phishing emails. If you do not know what phishing is, ask your child. They also learned about ransomware.

The rest of the year Computer App students will be learning about various technology companies. They will use this knowledge to create a brochure or a google slide presentation about the company chosen.

6th Grade PHIS Broadcast News:

As the year winds down, the broadcasting students have been working hard to provide segments for the last few broadcasts. Topics include: things to do over the summer break, teacher appreciation week segments, and technology tips. Students will now be using their video creation skills to create a promotional video, as well as a short film about cyberbullying.

There will only be 3 more school announcements. Although there was not time for everyone to be an anchor, every broadcasting student contributed to news segments throughout the school year. The video creating skills learned will be something they can use in the future.

Library/STUCO News

Library:

Summer approaches! And that means summer reading challenge time! This year we will be having some “food for thought”. Logs are here as well as in your child’s library Google Classroom.

There are 2 levels of prizes (one for those who read for 30 days and one for those who read 60 days this summer). For every 30 days, \$1 will be donated to the Pleasant Hill Food Pantry to support their work in giving groceries, free of charge, to people living in Pleasant Hill who cannot afford to purchase enough food to meet their basic needs. In addition, there will be prizes and a party for readers who complete at least 30 days of reading.

Game boards can be accessed starting 5/18 and will be due to the library on 8/31 in the fall semester.

To go along with this, current 5th graders will be able to check out up to 5 books to read over the summer to get them started. I will be open from 12:30-3:30 on 5/20 should you like to bring your child up and browse with them.

STUCO:

STUCO is sponsoring teacher appreciation week activities the first week of May! We had our end-of-year party on the last day of April to finish prepping for this week and have fun together one last time before the end of the year. Thanks for being so active in making your school and community a better place!

At our last meeting students voted on our back to school welcome gift for next year. I have placed the order so it will be here to start the school year! Current 5th grade reps will get an email next year letting them know the time/date they will be responsible for passing the gifts out as this will happen before new elections are held.

Any questions should be directed to Melissa Arenson at marenson@pleasanthillschools.com

P.E.

Chris Stilwell cstilwell@pleasanthillschools.com

***FIELD DAY INFORMATION**

When: **Friday, May 6th.**

How: Each grade will have two hours to participate in stations outside. We will have A+ volunteers to help run the stations and teachers will be with their classes to ensure a smooth day.

What to bring: Please send your student with sunscreen, a swimsuit under clothes to get wet, a change of clothes, a towel to dry off with afterwards, and a bag to put wet clothes into.

Please contact the PHIS office if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Coach Stilwell

5th grade PE:

Our 5th grade students have finished their fitness testing and will now go back through the catalog of games we have played previously in the year. It will be a 'PE Greatest Hits' month in May!

6th grade Non-Traditional Games:

6th grade students in NT Games will learn croquet and then go back through the catalog of games we have played previously in the year. It will be a 'PE Greatest Hits' month in May!

6th Grade Traditional Sports:

6th grade students will now go back through the catalog of games we have

played previously in the year. It will be a 'PE Greatest Hits' month in May!
*If you need any more details from Coach Stilwell, feel free to email
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Nurse

Nurse Charlotte Pardue - cpardue@pleasanthillschools.com