



BILLIE NEWS!

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Pleasant Hill Elementary

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Change in Morning Bus Drop Off Routine Starts Oct. 17th

Starting Monday, Oct. 17th, First Student will be changing their morning drop off location at the high school to Katie's Lane. To keep buses and cars separate, the buses will drop off at the elementary first, travel down the service road, located on the backside of our school, to Katie's Lane. Middle school / high school students will unload at the crosswalk at the corner of the gym on the track side. Therefore, Katie's Lane will no longer be available for morning drop off. We encourage you to drop off your student on the front side of our building.

Jog-a-thon Update



I am always amazed at the level of support the community provides to our school ranging from daily supporting your student at school, the number of volunteer hours logged each month to supporting student enrichment activities. As of Tuesday morning, October 11th, we have raised approximately \$32,768 during our Jog-a-thon fundraiser.

Our goal for the year was to raise \$20,000. The students were told if they raised over \$20,000 Mr. Bofto agreed to have his hair cut in front of the student body and sport a mohawk for a few days. Be sure to check in with your student after the Jog-a-thon assembly Wednesday to hear about Mr. Bofto's new look.



Goal Setting Conferences October 20th and October 21st

Next Thursday and Friday students will be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. each day for parent conferences. If your student rides the bus, plan that your student will be arriving home two hours earlier than their regular arrival time.

In addition, we will be providing a "Grab and Go" lunch on Thursday and Friday. Students will order their lunch first thing in the morning both days. Please let your student know if you would like them to access a "Grab and Go" lunch prior to school Thursday and Friday morning as the cooks will be asking for a count in order to prepare the enough lunches for everyone who wants one.

The purpose of a goal setting conferences is to provide meaningful conversation with students and parents / guardians regarding their students' academic strengths and set achievement goals and plans for the school year.

Research shows students achievement increases when students know what the learning targets are,

where they are in relation to the target and what they need to do to meet the goal. The teachers will be setting goals, sharing, and refining them during goal conferences with you. These goals will be monitored throughout the year formally and informally using classroom assessment tools.

Our goal as a staff is to meet with each family. If you have not scheduled a conference time yet, please contact your student's teacher or call the school office, 541-736-0400 and we will assist you in setting up a conference.



Tips for Preparing for Parent Goal Conferences

Here are some general hints to help you have a successful goal conference:

- Talk to your child about what they like the best and least about school.
- Ask your child, if there is anything that he/she would like you to discuss with the

teacher.

- Be on time for your conference.
- Listen as the teacher shares, as our teachers have your child's best interest at heart.
- Ask questions.
- Share your insights with the teacher.
- Be open to suggestions.

New Billie Buck Currency in Circulation



The students voted and the results are in! We have six incredible new designs for our 2022 -2023 Billie Buck currency.

Thank you to our Billie Design team of Zaelee T., Dawsyn S., Kinsley W., Lucy S., Oliver K., and Marley M. Their drawings were selected to appear on either on the \$1, \$5, \$10, or \$20 Billie Buck. The design team earned a Billie Vending Machine token and selected a book of their choice for their work.



Billie's Attendance

This year to encourage attendance we have a little contest between classes. Each class who has over 90% or greater of the class in attendance during the week, earns a Billie Banner for their door. The class with that has the highest percentage of attendance in K-2nd grade and 3rd- 5th grade earn an extra bonus pe class with Mr. Bofto at the end of each month. I am excited to announce Mrs. Craig's class and Mrs. Smith's class earned the extra pe class for the month of September.



Why Should Students Read Twenty Minutes Every Night?

Let's figure it out--mathematically!

Student A reads 20 minutes five nights of every week; Student B reads only 4 minutes a night...or not at all!

1st: Multiply minutes a night x 5 times each week.

Student A reads 20 minutes x 5 times a week = 100 minutes/week.



Student B reads 4 minutes x 5 times a week = 20 minutes.

2nd: Multiply minutes a week x 4 weeks each month.

Student A reads 400 minutes a month. Student B reads 80 minutes a month.

3rd: Multiply minutes a month x 9 months/school year.

Student A reads 3600 minutes in a school year. Student B reads 720 minutes in a school year.

Student A practices reading the equivalent of ten whole school days a year. Student B gets the equivalent of only two school days of reading practice.

By the end of 5th grade, if Student A and Student B maintain these same reading habits, Student A will have read the equivalent of 50 whole school days. Student B will have read the equivalent of only 10 school days.



White Elephant / Billie Buck Sale Needs Your Donations!

After three long years, it's back! This year we will be holding our annual White Elephant / Billie Buck sale. This sale is an opportunity for students to spend their Billie Bucks to purchase gifts for their family members.

So, while you are in the midst of Fall cleaning, please consider donating items to our sale. Possible things to donate include decorations, videos, books, toys, and any other items people of all ages would enjoy. Please bring your donations to the office between now and December 9th. The White Elephant Sale will take place the December 13th a few days before Winter Break.



Book Character Day!

Harvest Parties

All classes will be hosting a harvest party on October 31st. This year students are invited to dress up as their favorite book character. Students may wear their costumes during the day, no masks or toy weapons of any kind maybe brought to school as

part of the costume. We encourage students to bring their book to school to hold and display during our schoolwide book parade.



When Should I Keep My Child Home?



| Student's Symptoms or Illness | Student May Return to School When |
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| Fever: temperature by mouth greater than 100.4 degrees | Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medicine. And per guidance for primary COVID-19 symptoms. |
| Skin rash or open sores | Rash is gone; sores are dry or can be completely covered by a bandage; or with orders from doctor to school nurse. |
| New Cough illness or new difficulty breathing | Symptoms improving for 24 hours, no cough or cough is well-controlled. And per guidance for primary COVID-19 symptoms. If pertussis (Whooping cough) the student must take 5 days of prescribed antibiotics before returning to school. |
| Diarrhea: 3 loose or watery stools in one day OR not able to control bowel movements | Symptom-free for 48 hours. |
| Vomiting | Symptom-free for 48 hours. |

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| Headache with stiff neck and fever; OR with recent head injury | Symptom-free or with orders from doctor to school nurse. |
| Jaundice: new yellow color in eyes or skin | After orders from doctor or local public health authority to school nurse. |
| Red eyes or eye discharge: yellow or brown drainage from eyes | Redness and discharge is gone OR with orders from doctor to school nurse. |

Upcoming Events:

Oct. 17 - 8:30 a.m. 2nd Grade Field Trip
Oct. 20th - Oct. 22nd - 11:30 a.m. Early Release for Parent Conferences
Oct. 26th - 9:15 a.m. 1st Grade Field Trip
Oct. 26th - 2:30 p.m. Site Council, Library
Oct. 28th - 9:45 a.m. Kindergarten Field Trip
Oct. 28th - 1:25 p.m. Early Release
Oct. 31st - Book Character Dress Up Day / Harvest Parties
Nov. 4th - 1:25 p.m. Early Release
Nov. 6th - Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov. 9th - Picture Re-Take Day
Nov. 10th - Grading Day / No School
Nov. 11th - Veteran's Day / No School
Nov. 23rd - Contractual Compensation Day / No School
Nov. 24th - 25th - Thanksgiving Break / No School
Nov. 28th - Dec. 5th Book Fair, PHCC Backroom
Nov. 28th - Dec. 9th - PHES Billie's Food Drive
Dec. 19th - Jan. 3rd - Winter Break / No School



BUDDIES program is back!! K-3 parents, if you feel your student may be struggling socially, academically, or in any other way, this may be a great opportunity for them! Or maybe you feel they might benefit from a short classroom break once a week to socialize with older students. Our buddies program matches up Middle School and High School students w/ our K-3 students. They will meet once a week during the school day in the community center, to play games, do activities, and learn positive behaviors from the older students. If you are interested in signing your child up for this program, please reach out to our ROMP Coordinator – Alicia Knox.

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