

# **BILLIE NEWS!**

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Vision Statement: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow



### Pleasant Hill Elementary

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Thursday, January 29th, is the last day of the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter, end of the first semester and halfway point of this school year. Thank you for partnering with the staff this year to see that every student is successful every day.

Classroom teachers will be preparing your child's report card on Friday, January 29th. Friday, January  $29^{th}$  is a Grading / No School Day. Report cards will be sent home with students participating in on-site instruction and mailed to those participating on-line only, Monday, February  $8^{th}$ .

I would like to recognize our teachers who spend endless hours preparing and presenting your child with the best possible instruction either in person or on zoom. Also, our wonderful support staff, who work with your child every day either in person, on zoom, on the playground, in the library, office and on the bus supporting their needs.

I would like to thank each of you for assisting your child in being successful, too. Not only do you see that they complete attend zoom classes, complete 20 minutes of Lexia Core 5 daily, 15 minutes of Dreambox, completing Seesaw assignments, and completing all of their daily assignments, listen to them read daily, at least 20 minutes and take an interest in their schooling, but see that they are in school daily either on-site or on zoom.

Daily attendance goes hand and hand with school success. Starting in kindergarten, too many absences can cause students to fall behind in school. Missing 10%, about 17 days, in a school year drastically affects a students' academic success. Attending school regularly helps kids to feel better about school and themselves. Good attendance will also help your child do well in high school, college and beyond. So, thank you for making school a priority in your home.

### Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day will be here before you know it! Given our current circumstances, students and staff will not be exchanging Valentine's cards this year. Teachers are busily planning crafts for Valentine's Day zoom parties, Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars as all craft materials will be included in the Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> Materials Distribution Day packets are available 10:45-12:45 p.m. for all students participating in Distance Learning Only. Craft materials will be sent home with students participating in on-site instruction prior to Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>.



## Immunization Exclusion Day Feb. 17th!

- It is the time to make sure your child's immunizations are up-to-date. State law requires that all children in public schools either have vaccinations or a religious or medical exemption. Please refer to the back of this note to find the required listing of immunizations.
- If your child is missing any immunizations you should have received a letter in the mail. Letters were sent last month by Lane County Health Department. Children will not be able to attend school starting Wednesday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, if their records show missing immunizations.
- Families are advised to contact their health care provider or the local health department. No one
  can be turned away from a local health department because of the inability to pay for required
  vaccines.

#### Chromebooks

District computers are not designed for extra extensions, watching movies, extensive searches unrelated to student assignments. These Chromebooks basically are designed to run the programs and apps the district has selected to use this year. We are asking that you assist your student uninstalling any apps / extensions such as wallpapers, games, virtual pets, etc. so that these devices will run at their maximum capacity for school purposes.

The Chromebooks need to be restarted at least <u>weekly</u>. This updates apps (Zoom, etc.) and operating systems (Chrome OS) to the newest and best for the systems. (Just closing the lid does not accomplish this)

- Step 1: Press and hold the *Power* button.
- Step 2: The screen dims, and a pop-up appears. Click the Power Off button.
- Step 3: Press your Chromebook's Power button to restart.

### When Should I Keep My Child Home?

Student's Symptoms or Illness	Student May Return to School When*	
Fever: temperature by mouth greater than 100.4 degrees  Skin rash or open sores	No fever for at least 72 hours without the use of fever reducing medicine.  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	In general, when symptom-free for 72 hours. If pertussis (whooping cough) is diagnosed, after taking 5-day course of prescribed antibiotics, or when cleared for return by local public health authority. If COVID-19 is diagnosed, with orders from local public health authority.	
<b>Diarrhea</b> : 3 loose or watery stools in one day <b>OR</b> newly not able to control bowel movements	Symptom-free for 48 hours.	
Vomiting	Symptom-free for 48 hours.	

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<b>Headache</b> with stiff neck and fever; <b>OR</b> with	Symptom-free or with orders from doctor to school nurse.
recent head injury	
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	Redness and discharge is gone <b>OR</b> with orders from doctor
drainage from eyes	to school nurse.



### Do You Have a New Phone Number?

If you, or any of your emergency contacts, have changed phone numbers recently please make sure you have notified the school office. It is extremely important this information is kept up to date so that we can reach you in the event of an emergency or your child becomes

ill at school.

#### REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

#### ARRIVAL TIMES:

Morning K-3 Exemption - Students may enter their classrooms at 7:50 - 8:00 a.m.

Classes start promptly at 8:00 a.m.

Afternoon K-3 Exemption - Students may enter their classrooms at 12:20 - 12:30 p.m.

Classes start promptly at 12:30 p.m.

Afternoon 4 / 5 LIPI - Students may enter their classrooms at 12:50 - 1:00 p.m.

Classes start promptly at 1:00 p.m.

<u>ABSENCES</u>: If you are keeping your child home, they will not be participating in zoom classes or, completing their daily assignments on Lexia Core 5 Reading, Dreambox Math or Seesaw *PLEASE* call the office attendance line, **541-736-0411**, otherwise we will be calling you to verify your child's absence as required by law.

<u>Grab and Go Meals</u>: Daily Grab and Go Meals are available at no charge this year. Students participating in K-3 Exemption, on-site ,will receive either Breakfast and lunch or lunch and breakfast depending upon which session they are in if you would like them to. For those participating in distance learning, meals are available daily at PHHS 10:45 - 12:45 p.m.

PHONE MESSAGES: We really appreciate and request that all of our families who discover throughout the school day their child's after school plans need to change please call the school office before 10:30 a.m. if your child is participating in the morning session or 2:30 p.m. if your child is participating in either K-3 or 4 / 5 LIPI in the afternoon.

### Up Coming Events

January  $22^{nd}$  - 10:45 - 12:45 p.m. Materials Distribution for Distance Learning Families Only

January 29th - Grading Day / No School

February 8<sup>th</sup> - Report cards either mailed to distance only families or sent home with students on site.

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