



Purdy Elementary School

April 2014



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Flower Sale March 11th-April 11th Chef-in-Residence March 31-April 22	March 31	1 Referendum Voting Day Please vote! Day 2	2 Big Buddy Day Market Day P/U 4:30-5:30 Day 3	3 Smiles for Life Day Day 4	4 1st Grade Clifford Show 11:50 Dismissal Purdy Pride Day End of 3rd Quarter Day 5	5
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20	21 Tornado Awareness Week Day 5	22 Purdy Arts Festival, Volunteer Appreciation Night & Chef-in- Residence Tastings 6:30 PM Day 6	23 Day 7	24 Mock Tornado Drill Day 8	25 2nd Grade to Madison Children's Museum 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Wool In Res. Assembly Grades 3-5 1:30-2:15 Day 9	26
27	28 Day 10	29 Summer School Registration Begins 4:00 PM DARE Graduation @ FAHS 6:00-7:30 Day 1	30 Big Buddy Day Support Staff for Excellence Nominations Due Open Enrollment Applications Ends Day 2	Future Dates 5/4 Full Day of Instruction and Purdy Pride Day 5/7 PTO Flower Sale Pick-Up 5/7 4:30-5:30 PM Market Day Pick-Up 5/16 2014-2015 Kind. Orientation Day 5/16 No Classes for Kindergarten Classes 5/22 ELL Field Trip-Madison Zoo 5/28 District 5th Grade Safety Patrol Trip 5/29 8:30-2:30 First Grade Field Trip-Madison 5/30 District 4th & 5th Grade Track Meet		



PURDY PANTHERS

PURDY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



APRIL 2014



Dear Parents,

As we head into April we have a very busy schedule ahead of us which is led by our School Chef in Residency. The residency, headed by Chef Tyler Sailsbery, will run for a little over three weeks beginning with a kick off assembly on March 31st at 8:30 AM. Tyler will bring in a cow and all students will make a dairy product...perfect for Wisconsin.

Each grade level K-5 will experience lessons on healthy foods from the producer (farms, gardens, greenhouses, trout ponds, etc.) to the table. Students will learn about nutritious choices, eating locally produced foods, food preparation, geography, science, math and related reading and writing skills.

Chef Sailsbery will work with one to two grade levels per day with each grade level going on a field trip to visit a local producer of food. Each day's events will be recorded and with highlights available for playback almost immediately. (See related press release in the newsletter).

Also, we have another Artist in Residence artist, Mary Wallace. She will be here in May working with 3rd, 4th and 5th graders creating colorful wool vessels using various types of wool fibers.

Recently our school hosted three tours including two from Belleville, Wisconsin and an assessment visit. All visits looked at our literacy program. In each visit the visitors were very complimentary of our staff's efforts and how well they are implementing our award winning Comprehensive Literacy Program. For our staff it is just another day of instruction but for me it is an extraordinary achievement for our staff and students.

I just turned in my budget for next year. Besides the essentials, priorities include effective support for our teachers, ample supplies of new reading books, continuous progress towards 1-1 technology so any student can have technology whenever needed and safety improvements on the playground.

As the year progresses, Dr. Zaspel will be advertising for my replacement ahead of my retirement now scheduled for July 25 right after summer school.

Lastly, we have an important referendum on April 1. While it will not increase your taxes, it will provide additional needed funding for our schools...money we can not get from the State. Please, we need every resident parent to vote on April 1. Don't let other voters decide this referendum for you and your children.

Sincerely,

Rick Brietzke, Principal
Purdy Elementary School



MARKET DAY NEWS

Thank you to all that participated in the Market Day Bonus Days sale of desserts. We sold 100 desserts to reach the 30% profit goal. The top sellers were Alyssa Dahl, Aiden Janecek and Dane Brost. Congratulations to them as they each won a gift card to Marcus Theaters. With the sale of the desserts and our regular Market Day grocery order we raised \$550.00 for the month of March.

Thank you to everyone that has purchased Market Day this year, because of you we have exceeded our goal of \$3000.00 for Purdy Elementary. This extra money will be used to fund our Artist in Residence programs. Continue to look for the flyer each month that comes home with your child.

Mrs. Vaillancourt & Mrs. Church
Co-Chairpersons



SUMMER SCHOOL UPDATES

Purdy will once again be used as a Summer School site this year. Grades 3-5 will be offered here. Luther Elementary will hold Summer School for grades K-2. Registration begins April 29.



SAFETY/PEACE PATROL OF THE MONTH

Grace Gustin and Cameron Grady were selected as Purdy Peace Patrol of the Month for March. On Friday, March 21, 2014 these two students were treated to lunch at Culver's along with other Safety Patrol Members from other schools.



MINI-GRANT AWARDED TO PURDY STUDENTS

Mini-Grants Awarded to Purdy Students

Mini-grants have been awarded to the following students for these projects:

Cots for Cats:
Jessica and Elee Sharp

Money for Mammals:
Elly Scheuerell and Zoie Hammer

Bracelets to Benefit the Humane Society:
Bryanna Duddeck, Isis Green &
Hayley De Mott

Sponsors are: Blackhawk Chapter of
Vietnam Veterans, Optimist Club of Fort
Atkinson & Daily Jefferson County Union/
W.D. Hoard Company

Congratulations!!!



CONGRATULATIONS TO TEACHER PAM GUSTIN

Mrs. Gustin has become the fifth Purdy Elementary School teacher to receive the prestigious Kohl's Fellowship Award for Excellence in teaching. She joins art Teacher Karen Gomez and classroom teachers Leigh Ann Scheuerell, Josh Twedt and Lisa Hollenberger to win this distinction. Mrs. Gustin is a second grade teacher. She has great teaching skills, teaches with a team of teachers, has tremendous passion, always keeps a smile on for her students despite some great challenges and is a cheerleader for her students and staff. Senator Kohl's Foundation funds this grant including the \$1000 for Mrs. Gustin and \$1000 for the school.

Congratulations Mrs. Gustin!



THANKS VOLUNTEERS

Each year hundreds of volunteers help make Purdy School the best that it can be! We are so grateful for their dedication and eagerness to help. The students and staff would like to say "THANKS"! On Tuesday, April 22nd, at our Purdy School Arts Festival – Volunteers will be recognized.

Please look for your name in **Purdy's Sky of Shining Stars**. There will be a small token of our "THANKS" in the sky for you. Thanks for all you do for our school community!! Volunteers will be contacted before this celebration.

All volunteers will have a chance to enter their name on the night of the Arts Festival for a Purdy Spirit Hanging Basket of Flowers. Two winners will be chosen that evening.

Note: If you are on our volunteer list and are not contacted, please call the school office and your name will be passed on to a Volunteer Chairperson.



2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Below is the official calendar for next year. The following is a list of important dates subject to minor changes:

Sept. 2	First Day of School
Oct. 3	Early Release Day
Oct. 31	Noon Dismissal—Records Day
Nov. 26-28	Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 12	Early Release Day
Dec. 23-Jan. 2	Christmas Recess
Jan. 5	Classes Resume
Jan. 22	Early Release Day
Jan. 23	No School - Records Day
Feb. 20	Early Release Day
Mar. 27	Noon Dismissal—Records Day
Mar. 30-April 3	Spring Break
April 6	Classes Resume
May 1	Early Release Day
June 5	Noon Dismissal—Last Day of Classes



MIDDLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

By now a lot of information about Middle School has been provided to parents and 5th graders. Parents should also be getting the Middle School parent newsletter as well. Middle School staff can answer parents' remaining questions about 6th grade. Please contact the school at 563-7833.

VOTE

APRIL 1ST

New Voter?
Need an Absentee Ballot?

Go to:
<https://myvote.wi.gov/>



NO SCHOOL FOR KINDERGARTEN ON MAY 16, 2014

Kindergarten parents should note that there is **no school** on **Friday, May 16, 2014**. This will allow the Kindergarten Welcome Program to operate.



SUMMER SCHOOL 2014 **INFORMATION**

Here is some general information about **Summer School 2014**. If you have any questions please contact Julie Kusel, Summer School Coordinator or Cindy Fairfield, Summer School Office (563-7801).

- ♦ Summer School Dates
(Enrichment Classes) June 18 – July 25
 - ♦ 6 weeks/one session
No school on July 3rd and 4th
 - ♦ Registration is all online
1. Go to the district website
www.fortschools.org
 2. Look on left side under Quick Links
 3. Click on Summer School Registration Link
- ♦ Class Locations
K-2 – Luther
3-5 – Purdy
6-8—Middle School
7-12-High School
(Please check schedule since some classes are in other buildings.)
 - ♦ High School Make Up Classes
June 18—July 31



WELCOME NEW STUDENTS

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>
William Butts	Early Childhood
Aisha Perez-Ayala	Early Childhood
Dominic Conkle	First Grade
Hadden Lainberger	First Grade



PTO FLOWER SALE

Love flowers? Want to help your child's school? The Flower Sale is in full swing! Keep those orders coming in! Order forms were sent home recently. If you need another order form, stop by the Purdy Office. Flower orders and money are due April 11th.

Choose from a wide variety of beautiful hanging baskets, single pots of Dahlias or flats and 1/2 flats of annuals at a great price...just in time for Mother's Day!

We also need your help with unloading the Bennett's Greenhouse flower truck and organizing orders on May 7 from 3:00—4:00 pm and on May 8th from 7:00—8:30 AM and 3:00—5:00 pm for pick-up in the Gym. Please email Patty Brain at brainp@fortschools.org if you are able to help.

Basket flowers will include Calibrachoa, Geraniums, Impatiens, Purdy Spirit Basket—combination of blue/purple/red flowers and mixed "Coleus" flowers will be available in full flats.

Also available, will be a coupon for a flower basket of your choice at Bennett's Greenhouse.

Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

Co-Chairpersons
Patty Brain and Michelle De Mott



PTO SCHOLASTIC **BOOK FAIR**

The PTO Spring Book Fair is coming! The Book Fair is set for April 21, 22 & 23rd. More information will come home after Spring Break.



**COME TO THE
PURDY ARTS FESTIVAL AND
FOOD TASTINGS ON
APRIL 22nd at 6:30 PM**

On Tuesday, **April 22nd at 6:30 p.m.**, all Purdy families are invited to attend the annual Purdy Arts Festival and new this year, a Chef in Residency Food Tasting. You will be treated to beautiful art adorning our hallways and 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students will perform enjoyable music on the multi-purpose room stage. Students and parents will also get a chance to taste some of the food prepared by students and Chef Tyler Sailsbery.

In art class, all students in grades kindergarten through fifth grade chose what they felt was their best work. Paintings, drawings, clay sculptures, masks and more are all on display in the hallways and placed in the display case by the office. Remember that the Arts Festival is the kickoff for our annual art show which will remain on display until the middle of May. Students in fifth grade have also been busy creating a chandelier that will be hung from the skylight by the milk cooler, very near the early childhood classroom. It was inspired by glass artist Dale Chihuly and will be composed of various plastic bottles and cups creatively hung together to form a "glass-like" sculpture.

On the stage in the multi-purpose room starting at 6:30 p.m., third and fourth grade students will perform songs that they have learned on their recorders. At approximately 7:00, fifth grade students in orchestra and band will perform. Then, around 7:15 the choir will perform. Remember these times are approximate as there will be a transition period between performances.

The schedule of events tentatively will be:

6:30—7:30 PM: View the Art Show; visit the Book Fair, Taste Food, stop by the Volunteer table

6:30 PM: 3rd Grade Recorders (On the Stage)

**3rd Graders should report to
the Stage at 6:25**

6:45 PM: 4th Grade Recorders (follow 3rd graders)

7:00 PM: 5th Grade Orchestra, followed by the Band (On the Stage)

7:15 PM: Purdy Choir performs

Remember to respect our student musicians. Please refrain from talking during musical performances. Thank you!

*Students are asking all interested families to donate a can of food or cash donation to benefit the food pantry in Fort Atkinson. Their table will be located near the entrance to the Gym.



**SUPPORT STAFF AWARD
FOR EXCELLENCE IN
EDUCATION**

If you would like to nominate a Purdy Support Staff for Excellence in Education please stop by the office for a nomination form. All nominations are due to Purdy Elementary School or to Mr. John Peterson, Luther Administration by Wednesday, April 30th.



ORCHESTRA GERANIUM SALE!

All current orchestra students are participating in the annual geranium sale fundraiser this year, sponsored by Blodgett's Garden Center

The Sale Dates are April 2—April 23

Students are responsible for selling coupons redeemable for geraniums from Blodgett's Garden Center. After interested buyers have paid for their coupons, they go to Blodgett's and redeem them for 4 ½ inch potted geraniums in various colors.

Find a an orchestra student and buy some geraniums!

THINK SPRING!

PARENTS OF ORCHESTRA STUDENTS

Reminders for the Month of April:

ONE: Orchestra students receive a grade from me this quarter. All students should continue turning in **weekly practice logs** and practicing regularly at home. Please check the back of the log to make sure your child is meeting the minimum practice requirements.

TWO: It's Geranium Sale Time! All orchestra students receive information about the sale prior to the April 2 sale start date. Please contact Mrs. Gary at garyj@fortschools.org with any questions.

THREE: Our next **Orchestra Booster Meeting** will be held on Monday, April 7, at 6:00 pm in the High School Music Dept.

April 1st Referendum MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION A Letter from the Board of Education

Fort Atkinson enjoys a strong school system. We take pride in providing students a place to learn, grow and achieve. Our programs have been nationally recognized. We're known as a District of choice. Our six well-maintained buildings with access to contemporary technology serve as the hub for many community activities.

None of this would be possible without the continued support of local citizens.

Our District takes great pride in the greater Fort Atkinson community, our role within it and what we collectively offer: Excellent schools, an independent healthcare system, quality city services, a diverse business base and dedicated people. These all contribute to the vitality we enjoy locally.

Quite simply, this referendum is about our students, our community and the quality of education we deliver.

If the referendum fails, the Board will face over a million-dollar deficit in the first year. Any cut would reduce the programs we currently offer and inhibit our ability to continuously improve to meet changing students' needs.

We encourage you to become informed.

The website is intended to explain how the referendum will help meet District needs with a projected neutral tax levy impact. Please discuss the referendum with your friends, coworkers and neighbors. Visit our schools and see the great things happening every day for our children.

Much is at stake. Educate yourself and make an informed decision for your community. As Board of Education members, we strongly encourage you to exercise your right to vote on April 1st.

The Board of Education

www.fortschools.org/referendum



4 YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

**2014—2015 REGISTRATION
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2014
LUTHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
205 PARK STREET
10:30 AM—6:00 PM**

No appointment is necessary, but it is important that you attend. We expect the process to take no longer than 15 minutes.

Registration day is a very important part of the enrollment process for 4 year old kindergarten. You will be asked to turn in the completed enrollment forms that were mailed out to you in March. You will also find out which 4K site your child will attend for the 2014-2015 school year.

Please bring the following items with you to the 4K Registration Day on April 9th:

- ♦ Completed enrollment form
- ♦ Completed medical forms
- ♦ Birth Certificate (needed to verify birth date but will not retain a copy)
- ♦ Registration Fee: \$15.00, cash or check made payable to **School District of Fort Atkinson**

We look forward to seeing you at the **Fort 4K Registration Day**. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Brent Torrenga	Kathy Volk
4K Administrator	4K Coordinator
920-563-7817	920-563-7844

Carol Klein
4K Secretary
920-563-7817

Or you can e-mail us at:

torrengab@fortschools.org
volkk@fortschools.org
kleinc@fortschools.org



GET INVOLVED IN YOUR PTO

Parent involvement is needed in Purdy's PTO. Each year parents "graduate" when their youngest child leaves Purdy Elementary School. If you are interested in holding a PTO office, please contact Maggie Messler or Karen Behm. Officers and interested parents meet once a month, except December, during the school year. Training and guidance is provided by Rick Brietzke, Purdy Principal, and past PTO members. The Purdy PTO initiates and runs a variety of programs and operates about a \$12,000.00 budget.

Interested Purdy parents should contact current PTO Co-Presidents, Maggie Messler (920-728-0383) Karen Behm (920-568-9614).



SCHOOL DISTRICT EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

The following staff from Purdy Elementary School were honored with a reception at the High School IMC on Tuesday, March 18, 2014. Thanks go to the following people for their years of service and dedication.

<u>10 Years</u>	<u>25 Years</u>
Mrs. Brain	Mrs. Eames
Mrs. Deuster	
Mrs. Kutz	

<u>15 Years</u>	<u>35 Years</u>
Mrs. Church	Mr. Schroedl
Ms. Marchiafava	



CLASSES SET FOR 2013-2014

The following classroom positions have been penciled in for 2014-2015:

Kindergarten	Mrs. B. Johnson
Kindergarten	Mrs. Kratz
Kindergarten	Mrs. Nyland
First Grade	Mrs. Herdendorf
First Grade	Mrs. Hoyer
First Grade	Mrs. Perkins
Second Grade	Mrs. Gustin
Second Grade	Mrs. Hill
Second Grade	Mrs. Peters
Third Grade	Mrs. C. Johnson/ Mrs. Vaillancourt
Third Grade	Mr. Stricker
Third Grade:	Mrs. Wegner
Fourth Grade:	Mr. Springstroh
Fourth Grade	Ms. Stevens
Fifth Grade	Mrs. Hahn
Fifth Grade	Mr. Twedt



14-15 CLASSES BEING FORMED

Purdy teachers will be busy forming classes for the '14-'15 school year. This will be completed by early May. Class assignments will be noted on each child's report card. High priority is given to keeping a balanced class for each classroom. See the related article on the number of sections per grade level.



STUDENT AND FAMILY INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE FOR RELEASE TO CERTAIN PARTIES

Periodically parents inquire about the release of a phone number, address or parent name to those that might need to know. This is permissible and does not violate any privacy laws. Purdy Elementary School only releases information to families within the school and only if such information has not been noted as confidential. Most typically such requests are for birthday parties. The school does not release such information to commercial companies nor does it release non-listed or non-published numbers without prior approval.

Each year the District posts an announcement regarding the release of school directory data. If no objections are raised to the potential release of information to responsible parties then the school can release it. Questions? Call the Purdy office.



WILDERMUTH "TEACHER OF THE YEAR" NOMINATIONS

Would you like to name a Purdy staff member for the highest honor awarded to School District educators? The Wildermuth Award for Excellence in Education (Teacher of the Year) nomination forms are available in the office. Parents may nominate an educator by completing the form and returning it to Purdy School or Mr. Paul Christiansen, Middle School by Friday, April 11, 2014.

**PRESS RELEASE PREPARED BY CHEF-IN-
RESIDENT P.R. PERSON
(BETH GEHRED)**

**Culinary Artist in Residence Program
announced at area school Fort Atkinson WI.**

Chef Tyler Sailsbery has accepted an invitation by Purdy Elementary School's PTO to serve as their Artist in Residence for the month of April. The young chef, who has opened three restaurants in the area, including the acclaimed Black Sheep Restaurant in Whitewater, is serving as a culinary artist for the kindergarten through fifth grade students and plans a culminating feast for students, school staff and parents on Earth Day.

Sailsbery is a farm boy who was trained in the culinary arts and also attended UW-Whitewater for business. While still in college, he leased space within The Fuzzy Pig to run The Heritage Restaurant. In 2010, he moved to his own space in Whitewater and opened The Black Sheep, a farm to table gourmet restaurant, with ingredients locally sourced for freshness and distinction. Chef Tyler is in the middle of opening his latest restaurant, Casual Joe's, also in Whitewater, which will feature barbecue and similar fare, but the local sourcing ethic will remain.

"What excites me about this opportunity at Purdy," Sailsbery said, "is the chance I'll have to work with all the kids for an extended period. I'm hoping to connect students to all the good farm products in the area, and make it seem normal to cook healthy foods that taste great, no matter what age the eater happens to be."

Chef Tyler will have help organizing Chef in Residence activities from partnerships with teachers, staff, and parents in the school and CESA 2 Cooperative Purchasing, out of Whitewater, which has made inroads in helping all the schools in its purchasing cooperative make links to local sources for cafeteria menu items. Farm to School volunteers in the Eat Here, Eat Well of Jefferson County Coalition are also pitching in to help make the events run smoothly.

"I hope to be able to take kids on field trips to places like Rushing Waters [Trout Farm] in Palmyra," Sailsbery said. "Obviously, it is not a great time of year to go on farm tours, but I'm hoping to bring goats into the school, and have a milking demo and have farmers come in and talk to the kids."

He also plans to feature a new farm product each day of the residency, and work with one grade per day. He plans to introduce how the product was grown or made, interesting principles about its use, and gear the information so that all students will have a chance to participate. Teachers, led by library media specialist Cathy Daly, are already developing curriculum that ties into planting, growing, cooking or eating foods.

The Chef in Residence program, like all farm to school efforts, ties individual health with life skills and emphasizes the local farm and food culture of an area by introducing institutional food preparers to local growers.

"I'd like to begin to reverse the trend that it is easier for a school, or any institution for that matter, to buy a tomato from a California or Mexican farm than it is to get one from down the road – even in the right season. Rebuilding connections to one another is something art can do well – even culinary art," Sailsbery said.

The idea for a Culinary Artist in Residency program came from principal Rick Brietzke.

"I was so impressed when Tyler came last year and did a Chef in the Classroom event for the day," Brietzke said. "He made a sweet potato pizza and sweet potato ice cream and the kids loved it. I particularly liked how he worked with students and held their interest. I think there can be a lot of learning built around food production – and I like the health aspects of it, too. I'm looking forward to it."

The students and staff, no doubt, will too. Gourmet fresh food is not the usual fare in our school cafeterias.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF



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OUR MISSION

The School District of Fort Atkinson is committed to delivering the quality opportunities and services each student needs to achieve his or her academic and personal potential.

IMPORTANT FACTS

1. Students must be five years old by September 1, 2013, and must reside within the School District of Fort Atkinson to attend Kindergarten Orientation at our schools.
2. Each session is scheduled for 1 ½ hours which includes activities for the child and their parent/guardian to participate in together.
3. For those students who will be attending kindergarten at a parochial school next fall, parents should contact that school for direction concerning their registration process. However, we do ask that you inform the School District of Fort Atkinson of your intentions.
4. This orientation is not intended for the district's 4 year old kindergarten. If you have questions regarding 4 year old kindergarten please call 563-7817.
5. Because of enrollment numbers and enrollment trends, it is extremely important that you register your child in next year's kindergarten class. Appointments will be made on a first-come, first-served basis.
6. If you questions regarding your child's neighborhood school, please contact John Peterson, Director of Pupil Services, at 563-7804.
7. If you know of a child that is 5K eligible that has not received this letter, please encourage them to call as well.

KINDERGARTEN WELCOME DAY

For Parents/Guardians & their 5 Year Old

We welcome you and want you and your child to become more familiar with our 5 year old kindergarten classroom and program.

Please join us in learning more about our learning community at Kindergarten Welcome Day on:

Friday, May 16, 2014

(Registration Between April 7th – April 17th)

To best meet the scheduling needs of our families as well as to assure we have opportunity to get to know you and your child, each of our elementary schools will hold four welcome sessions:

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
8:00 AM	9:45 AM	12:00 PM	1:45 PM

Registration for our 5K Welcome Day will take place between April 7th and April 17th. You can register your child for a session on May 16th one of two ways during this registration window:

1. Register Online at www.fortschools.org. There will be a link on the main page to register your child at their neighborhood school.
2. Register by phone at your child's neighborhood school:

Barrie Elementary	563-7817
Luther Elementary	563-7828
Purdy Elementary	563-7822
Rockwell Elementary	563-7818

*We look forward to seeing you at
Kindergarten Welcome Day on
Friday, May 16th!*

Visit us online at www.fortschools.org



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FORT ATKINSON
5 YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN WELCOME DAY

If you have a child that is expected to enter 5 year old Kindergarten next fall and have not yet been in contact with the School District regarding the Welcome Day program please call **563-7822 immediately** to be included in the program. Appointments for Kindergarten Welcome Day are 1 1/2 hours in length and are scheduled at the school based upon your address of residence.

Your child must be 5 years old by September 1, 2014.

The date of the Welcome program for all elementary schools is May 16, 2014.

It is extremely important that potential 5 year old kindergarteners are registered. Such things as staffing levels and class lists are determined through accurate student counts. Failure to come forward to register and attend 5 year old Kindergarten Welcome Day could result in closed sections and other reduced options. It is also extremely important for you and your child to attend an orientation session.



DISTRITO ESCOLAR DE FORT ATKINSON
DÍA DE BIENVENIDA A KINDER DE 5 AÑOS

Si usted tiene un niño que se espera entrar a kinder de 5 años el próximo otoño y aún no han estado en contacto con el distrito escolar respecto al Programa del Día de Bienvenida por favor llame al **563-7822 inmediatamente** para ser incluidos en el programa. Las citas para el Día de Bienvenida a Kinder de 5 Años son una hora y media de duración y están programados en la escuela en base a su dirección de residencia.

Su hijo debe tener 5 años cumplidos a más tardar el 1 de septiembre de 2014.

La fecha para el programa de bienvenida para todas las escuelas primarias es 16 de mayo 2014.

Es extremadamente importante que los potenciales estudiantes de kinder de 5 años de edad sean registrados. Tales cosas como los niveles de personal y las listas de clase se determinan a través de cuentas estudiantiles. Falta de presentación para inscribirse y asistir al Día de Bienvenida a Kinder de 5 Años, podría resultar en secciones cerradas y otras opciones reducidas. También es extremadamente importante que usted y su hijo asistan a una sesión de orientación.



Reelin' in Some Fun

FORT ATKINSON SUMMER SCHOOL 2014

June 18-July 25

6 weeks/one session

**No School on
July 3rd & 4th**

Registration is all online. Go to the district website www.fortschools.org

On the left hand side, under **Quick Links**, click on **Summer School Registration Link**.

Class Locations

K-2 Luther

3-5 Purdy

6-8 Middle School

7-12 High School

(Please check schedule since some classes are in other buildings.)

HS Make Up Classes

June 16 - Registration

June 17—July 31

(Monday—Thursday)

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration is April 29^h starting at 4:00pm @ Luther Elementary School.

Computer Lab will be open from 4:00 -6:30 PM for those who need help or need to pay.

An interpreter will be available at the Computer Lab during registration.

Remember: Payment is due at time of registration. * Cost of Summer School is now based on selection of courses.

Health form **must** be filled out in order to complete registration process.

If you have any questions, please contact the Summer School Office at 563-7801, or send email to summerschool@fortschools.org.



SUMMER SCHOOL 2014

Online Registration Directions

1. If you are choosing to pay by check or cash and not a credit card, you will need to attend the lab at Luther Elementary the day registration begins (April 29 4:00pm - 6:30pm) or register at the Summer School Office located in the Luther Administrative Wing. Also if you do not have an email address, we will need to issue a temporary code for you to register.

2. Go to www.fortschools.org website.

On the left hand side, under Quick Links, it will say Summer School Reg. Link. Click on that link.

3. Follow Step 1 and click "create"

- Fill in your last name, home phone, and the email address where you want to be contacted.
- Please be accurate with your email address. We will be using email to contact you on occasion.

You will be emailed a password. **THIS PASSWORD CAN BE USED IF YOU NEED TO ENTER THE SITE AGAIN AND CHANGE REGISTERED INFORMATION OR CLASSES (STEP 2).** This will take you immediately to the "Family Information" screen.

4. Complete "Family Information".

Then click "Update Family Info".

5. Click on "Add New Student".

This is where you will put in each child and choose his/her classes.

6. Choose "Detail" to update Student Information.

Complete fields

When finished click, "Update Student Info."

8. Pick classes: make sure to pick classes for each hour.

Once all classes are chosen for your child, click, "Print List".

9. Choose the "Health Form"

fill out important health information for Summer School. (This will need to be filled out in order to complete registration.)

10. Choose "Family Page"

- Add additional children here if you are registering more than one.
- If not, choose payment type.

Credit Card/Debit Card payment-follow prompts

PLEASE NOTE: CLASSES WITH AN EXTRA CHARGE ARE NOT ADDED INTO THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. THESE AMOUNTS NEED TO BE PAID SEPARATELY. A NOTE WILL BE SENT OUT REGARDING THOSE CLASSES AS SUMMER SCHOOL GETS CLOSER TO STARTING.



**Reelin' in Some Fun
Fort Atkinson Summer School
2014**

**Información de la Escuela de
Verano 2014**

Junio 18-Julio 25

6 semanas/una sesión

No habrá clases Julio 3 y 4

- ♦ Registración es en el Internet. Vaya a la pagina Web del distrito www.fortschools.org
 1. En la parte izquierda de la pagina Web, haga clic en, "Quick Links", haga clic en "Summer School Registration Link".
 - ♦ Sitios de Clases de Verano
 - K-2 Luther
 - 3-5 Purdy
 - 6-8 Middle School
 - 7-12 High School
- (Por favor revise el horario, ya que algunas clases se encuentran en otros edificios)**
- ♦ Clases de Verano en la High School
16 de Junio (registración)
 - ♦ Clases de 17 de Junio a 31 de Julio
(Lunes-Jueves)

Información de Registro

El Registro es:

29 de Abril a partir de las 4:00pm

- ♦ El Laboratorio de Computación de la Escuela Luther estará abierta de 4:00-6:30 PM para aquellos que necesitan ayuda con el registro o necesitan pagar.
- ♦ Un intérprete estará disponible en el laboratorio de computación durante el registro.
- ♦ Recuerde: El pago de la escuela de verano se tiene que pagar en el momento de inscripción. (Costo de la escuela de verano se basa ahora en la selección de cursos)
- ♦ La forma de Salud tiene que ser completada a fin de completar el proceso de registro

Si usted tiene alguna pregunta, póngase en contacto con la Oficina de Escuela de Verano en el 568-4468, o envíe un correo a summerschool@fortschools.org.

*** Si tiene preguntas en Español, por favor ponte contacto con Erica Saldaña
563-7822 Ext. 3376**

Purdy Parent Teacher Organization Meeting Minutes

Instructional Materials Center (IMC)

March 18, 2014

Present at Meeting: Rick Brietzke, Maggie Messler, Pam Gustin, Mary Lynn Vaillancourt, Katie McIntyre, Beth Hesselbacher, Karen Behm, Jill Draeger, Heather Hartwig, Rachel Broadhead

Additions/Corrections to February Minutes: None

Treasurer's Report: Earned \$3144.98, Checking Balance \$5,749.87, Savings \$7,983.28

OLD BUSINESS

- ♦ School Board Meeting Update: Big focus on getting the information about the referendum on April 1. Purdy's music program and our technology will be spotlighted. Karen Gomez's retirement will be approved.
- ♦ Market Day Update: Last month we hit 100 desserts, so our profit was \$550. We also had a lot of regular sales. We have 2 more Market days before the end of the school year.
- ♦ Purdy Family Fun Night: Good turnout and all the families had fun.
- ♦ Other

NEW BUSINESS

- ♦ Book Fair/Arts Festival: The book fair will be April 22 after school and through the Arts Festival and Wednesday after school. The students colored posters that will be displayed to advertise.
- ♦ Sal's Fundraiser: 10% of dine in and carry out orders from 5:00 to 9:00 will go to Purdy PTO. A very easy fundraiser for us.
- ♦ Artist-in-Residence: Mr. Brietzke is finalizing the schedule for students. Our kick off assembly will be on Monday, March 31. Students will make butter that day also. Every day there will be a different food focus. Some grade levels will be visiting a trout farm, a pheasant ranch, and local greenhouses.
- ♦ Flower Sale: Sale information went home with students today. All orders and payments are due by Friday, April 11. Delivery will be Wednesday, May 7th from 7:00 am to 8:30 am and 3:00-5:30 pm. Volunteers are needed to help unload Tuesday, May 6th after school and Wednesday to help with pick up.
- ♦ Scrip: The box is being kept in the office at school. Cards can be purchased from the office.
- ♦ Set Date for Drafting 14-15 Budget: Tuesday, April 8th at 4:30.
- ♦ Other:

COME TO THE NEXT PTO MEETING
APRIL 15TH - 6:30 PM IN THE PURDY IMC

Better Birthday Treats Save 8,000 Calories

“My daughter's school principal is requesting ideas for alternative snacks for parents to send to school to celebrate their child's birthday, rather than the usual cake/brownies, etc. Do you have any handouts/suggestions that I could use?”

– Mary Therese Maslanka, RD, LDN, Registered and Licensed Dietitian, Mount Prospect, IL

Our guidelines:

- fewer than 100 calories
- parents can make it quickly
- kids want to eat it
- can't make too much mess

Mary pointed out that some of the classes have 23-30 students, so with 36 weeks of school, that is almost 1 sugar-laden treat per week!

If you were serving cake or regular cupcakes each time, that is about 9,000-12,000 calories per school year from birthday parties!

Our treats below ring in annually at about 2,500 calories and this saves, on average, about 8,000 calories per child per school year, which is quite a bit.

Item	Calories
Large cookie	450
Brownie	450
Sheetcake	425
Cupcake	300
Mini cupcake	150
Mini muffin	110
Rice Krispies Treat	90
Fig Newton	45
Fresh fruit, 1/2 cup	40
Vanilla Wafer	18
Mini rice cake	10

Use candles, sprinkles and decorator's frosting for a fun, festive touch. It is best to offer a variety of cookies and fruit - even if you had the perfect ice cream cake there are kids who don't like that - they always love a choice.

Here are 4 different presentations:



Rice Krispies Bowl -
90 calories each
(\$3.99 for 16 of them)
Arrange in a bowl and unwrap one, placing it in the center. Decorate with frosting and a candle for a treat that is easy to serve.



Dip Me Sheet -
60 calories per serving
(\$12 for cookies and fruit)
Place a variety of fruits, caramel dip and vanilla wafers in an attractive square pan. Decorate with balloon candles.



Newton's Fruit Cake -
85 calories cookie/fruit
(\$12 for cookies, fruit)
Place cookies around the outside of the pan and fill with dried or

fresh fruits. Add sprinkles and then adhere 8 candles to the tops of the cookies with frosting




Rice Cookie Cake and Fruit -
50 calories cookie/fruit
(\$5 for rice cakes and berries)
Arrange them in bowls and garnish a few with frosting and candles - yummy!

One more idea: cut layers of cake out of a melon and decorate with grapes and berries on skewers.

You can also see these in greater detail on foodandhealth.com - click on What's Cooking and then Happy Birthday to You.


APRIL 2014

ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>If your family qualifies for free or reduced lunch, they also qualify for free or reduced breakfast!</p> <p>SEND 'EM TO SCHOOL FOR BREAKFAST!</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Build Your Own Yogurt Parfait OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Hot or Cold Cereal With Muffin OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Egg & Cheese Sandwich OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>4</p> <p>EARLY RELEASE *Mini Pancake Sausage Wraps OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>
<p>7</p> <p>WG Strawberry Poptarts (2) OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Bug Bites and Yogurt OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>9</p> <p>*Breakfast Bacon Scramble OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Pillsbury Mini Pancakes OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Breakfast Round OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Mini Muffins Cheese Stick OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>15</p> <p>French Toast Sticks OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Hot or Cold Cereal With Yogurt Cup OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Breakfast Pizza OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>18</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p> 
<p>21</p> <p>Build Your Own Yogurt Parfait OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Egg & Cheese Muffin OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>23</p> <p>WG Mini Cinnis OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>24</p> <p>*Breakfast on a Stick OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Super Bakery Banana Bread OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>
<p>28</p> <p>Chicken Sausage Biscuit OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Bug Bites and Yogurt OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Breakfast Round OR Cereal and Cheese Stick All meals include Juice or Fruit & Milk</p>	<p>MEAL PRICES K-5-\$1.40 6-12-\$1.45 Adults-\$1.85 Milk - \$0.35 (included with meal)</p>	<p>* - May contain pork + - May contain peanuts Skim and 2% Milk served daily Menu Subject to Change USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER & EMPLOYER</p>

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APRIL 2014 - Elementary Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER & EMPLOYER</p> <p>* Irem Highlighted is from Chef in Resident Program @ Purdy Local Produce Used</p>	<p>1 APRIL FOOL'S DAY! Chicken Giggles OR Sliced Turkey Wrap Silly Steamed Broccoli Funny Fries Punky Peaches Frog Spit</p>	<p>2 Mini Ravioli Breadstick OR Turkey Ham Sandwich Garden Fresh Salad *Mushrooms Red Pepper Strips Red Grapes</p>	<p>3 Cheese Pizza Wedge OR Tuna Salad on WG Bun Crisp Veggie Dippers w/Ranch *Beet Chips Sliced Pears Fruit Juice Slushy</p>	<p>4 EARLY RELEASE Early release lunches are available for students to take home. Sign up with your school office.</p>
<p>7 Cheese Quesadilla OR +PBJ Uncrustable Refried Beans *Spicy Salad Greens Chilled Pineapple</p>	<p>8 Flame Broiled Cheeseburger OR Turkey Ham Sandwich Baked Sweet Potato Fries Celery Sticks w/Peanut Butter Apple Juice Cup</p>	<p>9 Mini Corn Puppies with *Honey OR Sliced Turkey Wrap Broccoli Trees w/Ranch Seasoned Green Peas Fresh Orange Wedges</p>	<p>10 Popcorn Chicken OR *BBQ Pork Sandwich KousKous Garden Fresh Salad Red Pepper Strips Sliced Pears</p>	<p>11 Stuffed Cheese Sticks with Marinara Sauce OR +PBJ Uncrustable Fresh Veggies & Dip Chilled Peaches Fresh Fruit</p>
<p>14 Scrambled Eggs & Pancakes OR +PBJ Uncrustable Sweet Potato Puffs *Dried Cranberries 100% Juice Cup</p>	<p>15 *Hot Dog on WW Bun OR Turkey Ham Sandwich Saucy Baked Beans Baked French Fries Applesauce</p>	<p>16 Spaghetti With Meat Sauce and *Cheese Breadstick OR Sliced Turkey Wrap Vibrant Green Beans Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>17 Chicken Nuggets OR Tuna Salad on WG Bun Chicken Rice Pilaf Tossed Salad & *Green Peas Red Pepper Strips Fruit Cocktail</p>	<p>18 NO SCHOOL</p> 
<p>21 Mac & Cheese Soft Breadstick OR +PBJ Uncrustable Steamed Broccoli Carrot Sticks & Hummus Sliced Peaches</p>	<p>22 Chicken Tenders Dinner Roll OR Turkey Ham Sandwich Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Local Mixed Vegetables 100% Orange Juice Cup Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>23 Cheese Lasagna Roll Up Soft Breadstick OR Tuna Salad on WG Bun Strawberry Spinach Salad Yummy Red Pepper Strips Pineapple Tidbits</p>	<p>24 Cheese Pizza Wedges OR Turkey Wrap Fresh Veggies & Dip Cold Applesauce Frozen Fruit Slushy</p>	<p>25 *Soft Shell Tacos +PBJ Uncrustable Refried Beans Steamed Corn Cheesy Mexican Rice Fresh Apple Slices</p>
<p>28 Toasted Cheese Sandwich OR PBJ Uncrustable Fresh Veggies & Dip Vibrant Green Beans Sliced Pears</p>	<p>29 All American Sliders OR Turkey Ham Sandwich Baked French Fries Saucy Baked Beans Monkey Favorite: Banana</p>	<p>30 Roasted Turkey w/Gravy WW Dinner Roll OR Sliced Turkey Wrap Mashed Potatoes Steamed Carrots Cranberry Sauce Fresh Fruit</p>	<p>MEAL PRICES K-5-\$2.45 daily; \$11.75 wkly 6-12 -\$2.65 daily; \$12.75 wkly Adults-\$3.25 daily Milk - \$0.35</p>	<p>* - May contain pork + - May contain peanuts WG - Whole Grain Skim and 1% Milk served daily Menu Subject to Change</p>

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