

Purdy Elementary School March 2014



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PURDY PANTHER\$ PURDY ELEMENTARY \$CHOOL NEW\$LETTER MARCH 2014



From The Principal's Office

Dear Parents:

Well it is official again.... am retiring after this school year. I tried it last year but was not emotionally ready for that change. Nothing has changed from last year to this year but I am more prepared for dealing with the emotions of leaving a job in which I have dedicated 26 of my 36 years in education to one school.

I am a lucky guy to have had such a great job which I have loved and been so fortunate to have worked with so many great, memorable students, staff and parents. Each day I get huge amounts of unconditional love from our students. Lots of hugs 4K to 2nd grade and beginning in second those hugs change over to fist bumps and high fives. It is a rare privilege to work with two generations of students!

Yesterday a friend texted me that he had met one of my former students.....from 30 years ago. I did recall Brian very well. Brian told my friend he was appreciative of my efforts to keep him out of trouble and his mom still has an end of year award, "Most Likely to Become President."

No doubt I will continue to run across people I have known and that is a pretty good feeling.

l have always been appreciative to our parents who have volunteered their time to help make extra differences in programming in the classroom and school. Those extra efforts really enhance our staff efforts. Needless to say we have a top-notch PTO!

Leaving our staff will be the hardest handwing how much work and dedication they will continue to provide our students. Most parents only have some idea of their efforts to manage students, curriculum, administrators, time, their own families, etc. It is a job that is never done and when considering the number and variety of students with which they work never good enough for them or others. I will always be appreciative of their efforts!

Being in one school all those years has given me ample time to continually make improvements. However, just as I stepped in for the last principal in 1988, another principal will do the same for our school and its learning community by continuing and keeping close relationships with everyone in this center of learning.

More later in the next months ahead. In the meantime there is still much to be accomplished before the end of this school year!

Sincerely,

Rick Brietzke, Principal Purdy Elementary School



THIRD ANNUAL PURDY ELEMENTARY PTO \$PRING FLOWER \$ALE

Spring is near and it is time to sell some great looking flowers for Mother's Day! Bennett's Greenhouse, located in Fort Atkinson, will be providing us with beautiful, colorful flowers for your gardening and landscaping needs.

This is a great way to raise money for the students of Purdy Elementary. Again, this year, among other choices, will be a Purdy Spirit Hanging Basket (red and blue combo) and a coupon to select a 10" hanging flower basket of the customer's choosing at Bennett's. We will also be offering a few potted flowers and flats of flowers this year.

The flower sale will start on March 11 and continue until April 11. Order forms will be coming home soon. Return orders along with the payments to your student's classroom no later than Friday, April 11, 2014.

We will need help on delivery day to organize flowers and over seeing of pick-up days.

What a great way to celebrate Mother's Day!

If you have any questions, please contact Patty Brain at Purdy Elementary School, 920 -563-7822, Ext. 3318.

Thank you in advance for your support.





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REFERENDUM VOTE DAY APRIL 1, 2014

At each session, Superintendent Dr. Jeff Zaspel and school board members swill present information and answer questions from the audience. Videos and print materials will be available to help explain the need and the impact for the referendum. The same information will be presented at each formation Session:

Monday, March 3, 6:30—7:45 pm,
 ★ Fort Atkinson Senior Center, 307 Robert
 ★ Street

Monday, March 17, 6:30—7:45 pm, ♣ ★ FCCU Community Room, Dwight Foster ★ ★ Public Library, 209 Merchants Ave.

The School District of Fort Atkinson will
 ★ host a special Information Session for ★
 ★ parents/guardians on:

Tuesday, March 4, 6:30—7:45 pm, ☆
☆ Boardroom at Luther Elementary, 205 ☆
☆ Park Street



PARENTS USE PARKING LOT PICKUP & DROPOFF STALLS & SIDE STREETS

Dropping off your child? Please use the parking lot or side streets. Because of the crowded parking lot at dismissal time many parents would probably prefer a side street or nearby less congested parking lot. All of these have crossing guards or safety patrols to help children get there safely if a street needs to be crossed. Note: Access to South Street does not require crossing any streets. These are safe areas for students and motorists. Also, please do not leave your car unattended in a drive lane rather use a parking spot.



4-K REGISTRATION FOR 2014—2015

Registration forms for the 2014-2015 school year are now available at all 4-K locations as well as all Elementary Buildings, the District Office a n d www.fortschools.org/4K. The deadline for requesting a specific 4-K location is March 7, Any registrations received after 2014. Marth 7th will be placed on a first come first serve basis. Parents of a student who will be enrolled in a 4-K should note that Registration Day will be April 9, 2014 from 10:30 AM to 6:00 PM at Luther Elementary School located at 205 Park Street. Parents should plan on spending about 15 minutes on Registration Day. Questions about 4-K can be directed to: Brent Torrenga, 4-K Administrator, 920 -563-7817, or torrengab@fortschools.org



ELEMENTARY MINI-GRANT REMINDER Grades 3—5

Each spring, \$50.00 Mini Grants are awarded to individual students and groups of students who are interested in helping their school or community. Grant monies may be used as seed money to raise additional funds for a cause or a project. Grant monies may also be used to purchase supplies and cover costs to create a project or perform a service. Interested students should talk to the Library Media Specialist, Cathy Daly or pickup an application form in the IMC. They are due March 7, 2014 to Ms. Daly, Library Media Specialist.



WELCOME NEW \$TUDENT\$

Student Name Grade

William Butts Early Childhood
Aisha Perez-Ayala Early Childhood
Dominic Conkle First Grade
Hadden Lainberger First Grade

The above students are new to Purdy School.



WAITING TO PICK UP YOUR CHILD AT THE END OF THE DAY?

A number of people are arriving early to pick up children at the end of the day. The Purdy staff appreciates when parents, grandparents, siblings, etc. wait near the front of the building. With open doorways, things can get rather noisy with groups that are waiting outside the classroom in the halls. In addition, security doors remain locked until 2:58 PM.

Please wait at the ends of the halls closer to Main Street.



BOX TOP COMPETITION

First place goes to Ms. Stevens and her 4th Grade class with 792; second to Mr. Stricker and his 3rd Grade class with 702 and third place to Mr. Twedt and his 5th Grade Class with 629. Those classes alone raised almost \$300 for the PTO. Thanks to all who help coordinate the collection of Box Tops! One more competition this year.

Lori Partoll PTO Box Top Chairperson

\$UMMER \$CHOOL 2014

Important Information:

- Dates: June 18th-July 25th
- No school July 3rd & 4th
 Registration: April 29th at 4:00pm

Registration will continue to be online.

New changes for the 2014 Summer school year:

- Mini Kindergarten will be the only option for incoming kindergarteners. This class will last from 8:00—11:55. Students will have the structure of the regular classroom and have the ability to acclimate themselves to the school environment without the stress of going from class to class. Arts and crafts, reading, writing, math and other activities will be incorporated into the day. Along with those skills, Safety City will also be part of the Mini Kindergarten experience.
- Grades 4-6 will have the option of attending "Camps". Camps are classes offered after the traditional summer school day (8:00— 11:55). Camps provide a wide variety of classes and are short in length. Middle School and High School will also be offering camps.
- Registration fees will be based on class selection. Many classes will have a designated cost to it, but there are many that will be free.

Registration will be online.

- Registration link is located at www.fortschools.org under the Quick Links.
- After student information is filled out, the
 website will go to a list of classes that
 coincide with your child's grade for the fall.
 Please note: Health forms need to be
 completed in order to complete
 registration.
- After classes are chosen, the payment page will come up. Payment is due at the time of registration.
- The option to print off schedules is available once selections are made. Schedules for students will be sent in the mail the last week of school.

LUTHER ELEMENTARY \$CHOOL COMPUTER LAB

The lab will be open the day of registration (April 29th) from 4:00-6:30 pm for those families that do not have internet access or would like some help registering. You do not have to register here if you have access elsewhere.

Teachers will contact parents prior to registration about intervention classes recommended for your child. Before registration, a letter will be sent in the mail with the recommended classes. It is the responsibility of the parent to enroll their child in these classes. These classes focus on the areas of Reading and Math. Students not recommended will not be allowed to enroll in these classes.

If your child chooses to change their schedule, just go back into the registration piece and make changes. Changes will be allowed to be made up until 2 weeks before the start of summer school.

The cost of Summer School will be based on the cost of the classes your child selects. There are some classes that are free. It is no longer a \$10.00 flat fee. Payment is due at the time of registration. Cash and check payments can only be made in person at the Summer School Office or the first day of registration in the Luther Computer Lab.

More registration information can be found at www.fortschools.org Click on the parents/ students tab and then go to the Summer School link.

If you have any questions, please call Cindy Fairfield at 568-7801.



FORT ATKINSON AREA SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS FROM PURDY ELEMENTARY!!

Grade K-1

Eli Scheuerell Third Place
Brady Brynes Fourth Place
Aaron Messler Fifth Place

Grades 2-3

Tessa Byrnes Second Place Ryan Messler Third Place

Grades4-5

Bailey Behm First Place
Josh Woychik First Place
Dominick Edwards Third Place
Caidon Pemper Fourth Place

Teams - Grades 2-3

First Place:

Emerson Brandenburg, Jesenia Flores, Jack Opperman, Hunter Rogers — "Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is"

i Second Place:

Aiden Janecek, Bailey King, Lupe Pena-Nigh, Elliannah Walton — "What Stained My Teeth"

Third Place:

Mitchell Broadhead, Anthony Luxem, Evan Marinez, Cammie Wellington — "Bag Strength"

Fourth Place:

Hayley De Mott, Corbin Lynn, Liliana Reyes -Ehrke, Michael Siarkiewicz — "Magnetization"

Fifth Place

Mariah Luebke, Christian Wagie, Makayla Wagie, Rodrigo Zuniga—"Taste vs. Smell

Sixth Place

Brooke Christiansen, Louden Goutcher, Braden Griffiths, Amelai Sault-Sauby — "Touching Memories"

Teams—Grades 4-5

i Second Place

Valeria Cazanove Pena, Elee Sharp, Tyla Staude, Sawyer Voss— "Clean and Healthy Germ Detectives"

Most Creative Award

Brady Byrnes—"Dirtiest Mouth in the House"

People's Choice Award

Bailey Behm-"Hot Dog Mummies"

Most Practical Award

Tessa Byrnes, Joselyn Calleja, Rhianna Chapman, Rachel Edwards—"School Germ Zones"

Winner of the Microscope:

Nathan Hartwig

Congratulations!!!

VOTE April 1st

New voter? Need an absentee ballot?

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



SCHOOL SCIENCE PROJECTS A SUCCESS

Purdy Elementary School students in conjunction with the Fort Atkinson Science Fair completed about 115 science fair projects. See our Purdy webpage for a quick, student-made video featuring all of these. All Purdy students received a participation ribbon for their efforts and some were chosen for Peoples Choice or That's Amazing Awards. Projects in grades 3-5 are graded by teachers as well. Many students went on to enter the Fort Atkinson Science Fair where 45 students won place awards and prizes.

Judging from the overall high quality of this year's entries and appropriateness of the learning experience, most students are proficient or advanced with the science fair process and the related School District of Fort Atkinson science curriculum process skills below:

- Classifying
- Observing
- Communicating
- Measuring
- Using numbers
- Inferring
- Predicting
- Questioning
- Interpreting data
- Controlling Variables
- Experimenting
- Formulating Models
- Hypothesizing

Congratulations to the students, families and teachers that promoted the projects. Meaningful projects, using data and measures that are understandable to student participants, lay the foundation for later use of critical thinking skills. Science, more than anything, is a means of inquiry about the world around us. Parents, thank-you again for your guidance and support.

READ ACROSS AMERICA 2014

Read Across America celebrates Dr. Seuss' birthday and our love for reading! Our school will be

participating in some fun activities that week that you will need to know about.

Wednesday, March 5th

Fun Fox In Socks & Teacher Swap Day

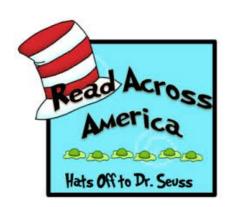
- Students and staff can wear fun, interesting socks.
- Teachers will swap with a partner classroom to be a guest reader for students!

Thursday, March 6th Crazy Cat In the Hat Day & Reading From Mr. Brietzke

- Students and staff can wear a crazy hat to school
- Mr. Brietzke will read a favorite book to each grade level.

Friday, March 7th P.J. and DEAR (Drop Everything and Read) Day

 Students can snuggle up in their pajamas (that's right-they can wear their pajamas to school) and read a few good books. The entire school will drop everything and read for 2014 second (just short of 35 minutes).





EMERGENCY INFORMATION

It is very important that your child(ren)'s school has the correct emergency information on file. Please keep us posted on address, employment and phone number changes. Having up-to-date information on file in the school office will facilitate timely parental notification in the event that your child becomes ill or injured while at school. Contact the Purdy School office at 563-7822 with any updates.



JOIN U\$ FOR BREAKFA\$T MARCH 3RD—7TH

We will have new menu items, games and a coloring contest. All colored sheets will be hung in the cafeteria so show us your art work!

On Friday we will raffle off 2 prices—Grand Prize is the use of MR. BRIETZKE 'S chair for a day; First Prize is a book reading in your class-room by Mr. Brietzke.

Every time you eat breakfast next week you can put your name in the basket to win the raffle. The more times you eat, the more times you can enter!

Breakfast Monday: Sausage Biscuit with fruit or juice and milk

Breakfast Tuesday: Build Your Owen Yogurt Parfait (choose the flavor of yogurt, the fruit you want and the toppings!

Breakfast Wednesday: Hot Oatmeal or Cold Cereal with a muffin, fruit or juice and milk

Breakfast Thursday: Egg & Cheese McMuffin, juice or fruit and milk

Breakfast Friday: Mini Sausage Pancake Wraps, juice or fruit and milk



NO MORE EARLY DI\$MI\$\$AL DAY\$

The School District of Atkinson will not be having early dismissal day on Friday, May 2nd. May 2nd will be a full day of school to make up a cancelled day in January.



RECORDS DAY HALF DAY SCHOOL

Students will be dismissed at 11:50 AM on Friday, April 4, 2014 for Records Day. This gives the teachers a half-day to work on report cards for third quarter.



2014 FORT ATKINSON STUDENT ANTHOLOGY

The Whitewater area Talented and Gifted Network sponsors an annual competition for artists and authors. Students enter work in five categories: Poetry, Prose, Art, Cartoons, and Illustrated Writing. This year's theme was "Figure It Out". Twenty-Four entries were selected from 3rd—8th grade students to be included in our local Fort Atkinson Student Anthology.

Congratulations to the following students whose entries were selected for the 2014 Fort Atkinson Student Anthology:

Alexandra Hakenson, 4th Grade, Art "A Buggy Problem"

Hailey Paske, 5th Grade, Poetry, "Rotten Grapes"

Bailey Behm, 5th Grade, Art, "Raven Wood"



FIFTH GRADE BREAKFA\$T June 10th, 2014

Dear 5th Grade Parents and Guardians:

We are starting to plan the Fifth Grade Breakfast. The Fifth Grade Breakfast will take place the last day of school, June 11th. This is a breakfast for **the 5th grade students** and a celebration for parents and teachers. More information will come home as we get closer to the actual date.

We are asking for each student to bring in 5 -6 photos that they would like to share. These can be anything from their days at Purdy School. **Please try to refrain from baby pictures.**

Please put names on the back of the photos and place them in an envelope addressed to 5th grade breakfast. This will make it much easier to return photos.

If you'd like you can also send digital photos.

If you would like to have photos included on the memory disk they **NEED TO BE TURNED IN BY MARCH 14TH.**

Although June seems far away, it will be here before you know it! If you have any questions, feel free to contact us.

Pam Gustin and Leigh Ann Scheuerell (920-563-782) Co-Chair Persons Fifth Grade Breakfast



INTERPRETIVE READING WINNERS

Students recently participated in Purdy School's Interpretive Reading Contest. Classroom finalists are listed below:

First Grade

Matthew Ketterhagen	W
Trevor Myren-Celkis	R
Eli Scheuerell	Α

Second Grade

Langdon Eske	V.
Cameron Haagensen	Α
Nevaeh Kincaid	R

Third Grade

Tessa Byrnes	W
Bryanna Duddeck	Α
Braden Griffiths	R

Fourth Grade

Tayanna Schwefel	W
Sawyer Voss	Α

Fifth Grade

Bronwyn Bond	Α
Camryn Jorgensen	W

W = Winner

A = Alternate

R = Runner-Up

Winners will go on to compete at the SKMRC Interpretive Reading Contest at Barrie Elementary School on March 8, 2014. All did a terrific job. Congratulations!!

10 TIP\$ TO GET YOUR KID\$ MOVING

Leading a healthy lifestyle is something every parent can model for their child. Try the following to get your family up and moving.

- 1. **Pull the plug**. Kids spend nearly six hours daily glued to a screen whether it is a computer, TV, or video games.
- Walk This Way. There is no better way
 to begin any fitness program than by
 walking. Find a place to stride; like a
 mall, and stairs to climb, and get their
 friends to join you.
- Stay Flexible. Get kids to do their best to stay active on busy days. Set modest goals as you begin.
- Game Your Play. Fitness is easier when it is fun. You don't have to limit yourself to traditional sports. Even active video games like Dance, Dance Revolution are a good option.
- 5. **Make It a Contest**. Challenge friends and family members to see who can do the most jumping jacks or push-ups, who can dribble a basketball the fastest or who can hop 100 times on one leg. Be creative.
- Mighty Milers. Running is a great way for kids to boost their confidence while getting fit.
- Spin Your Wheels. Get kids rolling on bikes, scooters, rollerblades or skateboards. Need a birthday present idea? A new set of wheels can get kids moving.
- You Know You Can Dance. Dancing 15 minutes a day can trim 10 pounds in a year. A reluctant exerciser may love to dance!
- Take a Hike. Find a nearby park to explore. Plan a picnic and bring a ball or Frisbee.
- Start Young. Get kids moving with games of tag, hide-and-seek, leap frog, and Frishee.

and Frisbee.

Source: America the Fit, Time Magazine, June 23, 2008.

PTO \$AL'\$ FUNDRAISER WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19th

Wednesday, March 19, 2014 will be Purdy Night at Salamone's. Purdy PTO earns 10% of total sales that night, It is for dine in and carry out, not delivery.

Come with your family or neighbors and have a fun night with excellent food.



NA\$CO \$TORE RECEIPT PROGRAM

Nasco has a program in their retail stores for local schools. Customers can award a school of their choice, points based on their purchase. A \$10.00 customer purchase will equal one point. Points will be accumulated, then converted to a dollar value and a Nasco gift certificate will be sent to each participating school on a quarterly bases.

Recently, Purdy received a number of gift certificates that are used for school purchases. So if you shop at Nasco, ask that the purchase be credited to Purdy Elementary School or place the credit in the Purdy slot.

PTO NEW\$

It is time again to fill our PTO Officer and Chairperson positions.

Now is the time to get involved. We would love to have new faces and ideas. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Maggie Messler at 920-674-5283 or Karen Behm at 568-9614.



ATTENTION 5TH GRADE ORCHESTRA STUDENTS & PARENTS:

Our next concert is rapidly approaching!

The 25th Annual Orchestra Dessert Concert, with this year's *All That Jazz* theme, will be presented on **Sunday, March 2nd at 2:00 pm** in the high school auditorium. It features all orchestra students in grades 5-12. Pre-concert music and dessert will be offered starting at 1:15 pm. This is our one fundraiser event of the year, and there is a \$2.00 per person admission fee to attend.

Guests are invited to enjoy pre-concert music as well as cookies, cheesecake, and beverages. Proceeds will go to the Orchestra Program and directly support our orchestra students.

The featured Guest Artist is world-renowned Randy Sabien, a jazz violinist!



See you there!!



BAND BOOSTER MEETING CHANGE:

All parents of students participating in the band are automatically considered "Band Booster" members, and are welcome at all Booster Meetings! Our next meeting is:

BAND BOOSTERS MEETING:

Wednesday, March 19th 6:00 pm—High School Music Pod

We promise we won't make you sign-up to do anything, but if we have a variety of parents representing 5th—12th graders at these meetings, it would be great!

SAFETY/PEACE PATROL OF THE MONTH

Dominick Edwards and Diana Cervantes were selected as Purdy Patrol of the Month for February. These two students were treated to lunch at McDonald's with other Safety Patrol members from other schools.



April 1st

New voter? Need an absentee ballot?

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



INTRA-DISTRICT TRANSFER FOR STUDENTS THAT HAVE MOVED FROM THE

PURDY ATTENDANCE AREA OR PLAN TO MOVE

March 17th is the deadline for parents wishing to apply for Intra-District Enrollment. This allows parents to the enroll their child at Purdy while living in the another school's attendance area. If you thave already filed such a request and the had it previously approved you do the not need to do so again. The the application is processed after late the summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are the summer registration. If you have any the attendance are summer registration. If you have any the attendance are summer registration. If you have any the attendance are summer registration. If you have any the attendance are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration. If you have any the attendance area are summer registration.

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LOST AND FOUND OVERFLOWING!

Since the cold weather has arrived, our students are wearing more winter clothing. Please clearly mark your child's clothing with his/her name. This will help guarantee that stray items are returned to their owners. Please also encourage your child to carefully hang jackets, snow pants, etc. on their hooks.

The Lost and Found tables inside Door #5 is where our Lost and Found is located. Missing items turned into the office will be on display there to be claimed by their owners.



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 Day program to operate.



HELMETS FOR SAFETY

Every child deserves to be protected by a helmet. Here are some reasons why to buy a helmet if your child does not already have one:

- Most kids ride a bicycle and many skateboard or ride scooters, skis and snowboards.
- Purdy students would be better protected by having their personal helmet for skating and climbing. This also reduces the likelihood of getting head lice.

If buying one, consider one of the newer, better helmets which feature a more protective back. Bottom line: Protect your child's head as you would a package you mail—it is lots more valuable!!!!——-against significant head injuries!





Early Childhood Screening

This screening is for children between the ages of 3 and 5 years that you suspect may have a delay in speech, fine motor, gross motor, pre-academics, social, or cognitive skills.



Location: Purdy Elementary School

719 South Main Street

Date: Friday, March 7, 2014 **Time:** 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Please contact the Secretary to the Director of Pupil Services at (920) 563-7804 to make an appointment.

We look forward to speaking with you!

Professionals assisting in the process are:

- Speech and Language Pathologists
- School Psychologists
- Occupational Therapists
- Physical Therapists
- School Health Professionals (for hearing and vision concerns)



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF



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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Because of enrollment numbers and enrollment trends, it is <u>extremely important</u> that you register your child in next year's kindergarten class. Appointments will be made on a first-come, first-served basis.
- If you questions regarding your child's neighborhood school, please contact John Peterson, Director of Pupil Services, at 563-7804.
- 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:

- Register Online at <u>www.fortschools.org</u>. 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

Purdy Parent Teacher Organization Meeting Minutes Instructional Materials Center (IMC)

February 18, 2014

Present at Meeting: Rick Brietzke, Maggie Messler, Pam Gustin, Patricia Tippelt, Beth Hesselbacher, Katie McIntyre, Mary Lynn Vaillancourt, Jessica Mirek

Additions/Corrections to January Minutes: NA

Treasurer's Report: Earned \$200 from Culver's Scoopy Night, Checking balance \$5,453.70, Savings \$6,529.14

OLD BUSINESS

- School Board Meeting Update: 2 new teachers hired at Purdy, one Resource Teacher, Leah DiMenna McKelvey, and one half time first grade teacher to help supportneeded interventions, Rachel Gorecki. Three administrators are retiring at the end of this year including Dr. Brietzke.
- Market Day Update: We earned \$96 last month. Bonus days are going on right now. Orders are currently very low for this month, but we have one more week.
- Teacher Appreciation Supper/Conferences: We had a great response, especially monetary donations. Toni Jorgenson was able to purchase most of the food. Toni will not be doing luncheons next year, so we are looking for someone new to do this. It would be best if they could help her with the spring luncheon to learn from her.
- Other

NEW BUSINESS

- Book Fair: It will be April 21, 22, 23 and open the night of the Purdy Arts Festival. Beth Hesselbacher and Rachel Lehman are both willing to help chair this event with Jill Draeger.
- Sal's Fundraiser March 19th from 5:00 to 9:00 PM Purdy will get 10% of the profits that night. You do not need to tell them you are from Purdy. You could also use Purdy Power Dollars for Salamone's and we earn an extra profit that way.
- Artist-in-Residence: Third through fifth grade will work with a wool artist through Mrs. Gomez's art classes. Tyler Salsbury, a chef, will be working with the whole school teaching about culinary arts and healthy eating. Students will get the opportunity to visit working farms and be able to see how the food is grown. This will be March 31 through April 22.
- Purdy Family Fun Night: March 7 from 6:00 to 7:15 PM in the gym.
- Flower Sale: Tabled until next month.

Other: Fort Atkinson Regional Science Fair is this weekend. Mr. Brietzke thanked parents and teachers for supporting students as they completed their projects.

JOIN U\$ AT THE NEXT PTO MEETING MARCH 18TH, 6:30 PM IN THE PURDY IMC

NUTRITION TIPS

Breakfast is a very important meal

Our bodies always need energy, and after a night's sleep, energy levels are low. Cars, buses and trains cannot run without fuel. So, whether you are off to school, or out and about on the weekend, start the day with breakfast. Plenty of carbohydrates are just the ticket: Try cereal with semi-skimmed milk, fruit or yogurt, toast or bread, perhaps with lean meats.

Carbohydrate

Many people don't eat enough carbohydrate foods, such as cereals, rice, pasta, potatoes and bread. At least half the calories in your diet should come from these foods, so it is a good idea to include at least one of these at every meal. Try whole-grain bread, pasta and other cereals to give you extra fiber. Have you tried baking your own bread? It's good fun and smells wonderful!

Eat fruits and vegetables with each meal!

Fruits and vegetables are among the most important foods for giving us enough vitamins, minerals and fiber. We should all try to eat 5 servings a day. For example, a glass of fruit juice at breakfast, perhaps an apple and banana as snacks and two vegetables at meal times then you have already reached your total. How many different kinds can you spot in the supermarket? Why not try some new ones?

Too much saturated fat is not good for your health

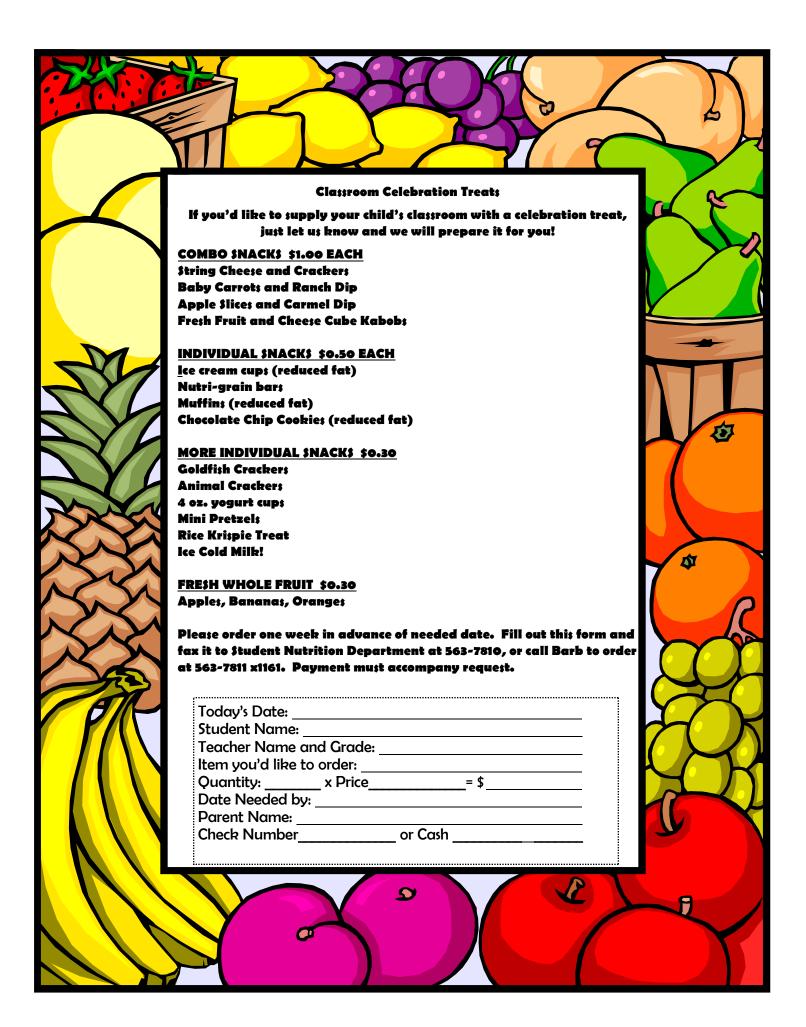
Eating too many of those tasty, fatty foods (such as butter, spreads, fried meats and sausages, pies and pastries) might not always be so good for your body. So remember, a big helping of potatoes, but go easy on the butter. Although we need some fats to get all the nutrients we need, it is better for our health if we don't eat too much of these foods and get knocked off balance. So, if you have a high-fat lunch, choose a low-fat dinner.

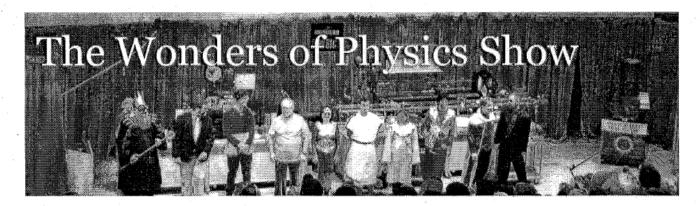
Quench your thirst. Drink plenty of liquids.

Did you know that more than half of your weight is just water? So as well as giving your body all the food it needs each day to keep healthy, you need at least 5 glasses of liquids a day. It is particularly important if the weather is very hot or if you have done lots of exercise, so have plenty to drink to prevent dehydration. Usually – but not always – your body will tell you this, by making you feel thirsty. Plain tap water is great of course, but bottled water, fruit juices, tea, soft drinks, milk and so on, can all be okay too.

Get moving! Be active every day

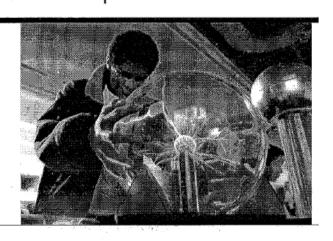
Just like a bike may become rusty if it is not used for some time, our muscles and bones need to be kept moving too. Activity is needed to keep your heart healthy and your bones strong. It can also be good fun. Try to include some form of activity every day: It may be just walking to school and running up the stairs. However, games like skipping and football at break times are good for giving the body a workout. Swimming is a particularly good sport for keeping you healthy.





The Wonders of Physics Show Coming to Purdy Elementary School Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 6:00 PM Purdy Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room

The Wonder of Physics Traveling Show from the University of Wisconsin-Madison will be performing for all students in the School District of Fort Atkinson and area. Go to http://wonders.physics.wisc.edu/ to learn more about this amazing program.





We hope you can join us for an exciting night of SCIENCE!

This program is FREE thanks to:



Fort Atkinson After School Grant Cub Scout Pack 137



Family Fun Night

For All Purdy Elementary School Students

Join us for a tropical style evening of dancing and family fun!

(Must be accompanied by a parent or adult.)

Friday, March 7, 2014 6:00-7:15 PM

(In the Gym)

Bottled water and soda for sale! \$1

Bake Sale! (Mini Grant Fundraiser)

Information will be available about the upcoming PTO Flower Sale!





Glow necklaces for sale! \$1.25



MARCH 2014 - Elementary Lunch

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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Scrambled Eggs	*Hot Dog on WW Bun	Cheese Lasagna Roll Up	Chicken Nuggets	Cheese Pizza Wedge
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Sub Sandwich	Chicken Tenders	Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce	*Soft Shell Tacos	Mac & Cheese
+PBJ Uncrustable	WG Dinner Roll	Warm Breadstick	OR Tuna Salad on WG Bun	OR +PBJ Uncrustable
Fresh Veggies & Dip	OR Turkey Ham Sandwich	OR Sliced Turkey Wrap	Garden Fresh Salad	Steamed Broccoli
Cold Applesance	Mashed Potatoes with Gravy	Vibrant Green Beans	Yummy Red Pepper Strips	Sliced Peaches
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+PBJ Uncrustable	Sweet Potato Fries	OR Sliced Turkey Wrap	Cheesy Mexican Rice	Chicken Noodle Soup
Irish Rice Pilaf	Baked Beans	Mashed Potatoes	Seasoned Corn	Vibrant Green Beans
Local Blend of WI Vegetables	Monkey Favorite: Banana	Steamed Carrots	Refried Beans	Sliced Pears
Pot O' Gold Peaches		Cranberry Sauce, Apple Juice	Pineapple Tidbits	Fresh Fruit
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OR +PBJ Uncrustable	PROVIDER & EMPLOYER	or reduced lunches, they also	6-12 -\$2.65 daily, \$12.75 wkly	WG - Whole Grain
Sweet Potato Puffs Red Strawberries		qualify for free or reduced breakfast!	Adults-\$3.25 daily Milk - \$0.35	Skim and 1% Milk served daily Menu Subject to Change
Wango Mango Juice				

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