

PRM School Rocker

SEPTEMBER 4, 2019

PRINCIPAL SIMPSON'S MESSAGE

Pleasant Ridge Montessori Families,

We are back to school and soaring high! We have welcomed nearly 700 new and returning students in grades PreK-6 to our school thus far. We have a staff of dedicated and highly qualified teachers who are teaching their curricular focus areas using the Montessori method and materials. We are excited about the creative and engaging lessons that are occurring in each classroom.

The role that each of you play in supporting and fostering a thriving learning community here at PRM is vital to our continued success. We appreciate you for trusting us with your precious children. We especially want to thank all of you for supporting us during our Back to School events as well as the Pleasant Ridge Day Parade.

This is a year for us to grow together as we inspire students to be all that they can be. You help us make a difference as we are..... ONE SCHOOL, ONE STUDENT, ONE FUTURE! WE ARE PRM!



Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Pleasant Ridge Montessori is a diverse community of learners and families. We need every voice represented on our PTO. Please plan to attend the next meeting on September 11th at 6pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PRM Coffee Cup Thursdays 7am-8am

Girls on the Run Tuesday & Thursday

Webby Dance Tuesday & Thursday

Cub Scouts Sign-up Event September 5th 6pm

Midterm Week–September 9th-13th

PTO Foundation Summit - September 11th 6-8pm

LSDMC Meeting September 11th 4-5:30pm

Family Trivia Night September 13th 6-8pm

ILT September 16th 2:45pm

Midterm Report Cards Go Home September 18th

ExistKids Mindfulness Yoga Monday & Thursday beginning September 23rd

PRM Read-A-Thon September 27th-October 4th

R.O.C.K.S!

Our Character Program centers around:

Respect, Ownership, Compassion, Kindness and Safety, Safety, Safety!

Below are the three school-wide expectations that we expect students to follow throughout all parts of our learning community. Please support us by reinforcing these at home.

- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be a Problem Solver

WEDNESDAY FOLDERS

Communication Folders will be sent home weekly on Wednesdays with pertinent classroom and school information. Please look for these folders, as all student work, newsletters, etc... will be sent home in these folders. Once you've looked through the folders, please send them back before Friday so that we may get ready for the following week:).



Wit and Wisdom is a newly adopted English Language Arts curricular tool that for grades K-6. It brings rich, knowledge-building content into your child's classroom. It will help meet the expectations of the new standards while celebrating the joy of reading and writing with your students. Our teaching staff will utilize Wit & Wisdom to enrich lessons within the classroom while embedding it within the core Montessori philosophies.

NORTHWEST EVALUATION ASSOCIATION (NWEA) MEASURES OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS (MAP)

Students will take NWEA MAP assessments in grades K-6 in reading and mathematics 3 times a year; fall, winter and spring. This assessment will be used as a diagnostic assessment and AIR Readiness assessments for the Ohio State Tests. MAP does a great job of giving teachers detailed information on the specific skills that each individual students needs to focus on to show growth in their reading and mathematics learning. Please as your teacher and student how they are progressing on their MAP assessments. This year we will be working towards making the students responsible for being aware of their own learning targets and growth.

OHIO ATTENDANCE LAW

Ohio House Bill 410 has changed the way attendance is to be tracked within school systems. All student attendance is now tracked by the number of hours in attendance as opposed to days. This means late arrivals and early dismissals as counted as hours absent from school and documented in the CPS attendance portal Our social worker, Nick Balle, will be monitoring all attendance related matters and may be reaching out to families for further clarification.

YMCA AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Pleasant Ridge Montessori does offer an after-school program that is hosted by the YMCA. The hours of operation are 2:15-6pm daily, with dinner included. The cost of the program is \$70 weekly per child; vouchers from Job and Family Services are accepted. There are openings still available for the program; however filling up quickly. If you need more information or would like to enroll your child, please call Tiffany Grissom at 513-628-4220

NEW STAFF TO PRM



LORI LEWIS

Senior Support Specialist



SAUNDRA OPREA

School Resource Coordinator



JAMIE DONALDSON

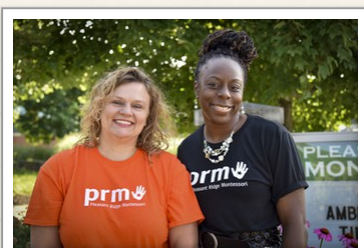
Assistant School Community
Coordinator



Dozens of fathers welcome Plea...

www.wlwt.com

At Pleasant Ridge Montessori School, it wasn't just any first day.



PRINCIPAL SIMPSON & ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL STEGMAN

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