



Middle School Bulletin

November 2017

Greetings Pine Lake Prep Middle School Families!

Welcome to November! It has been a jam-packed month of October and the excitement does not seem to be slowing down. First, let me congratulate the middle school students, staff and families for increasing the MS Annual Fund contribution by 19% from last year. In addition to individual student support, events such as PE Palooza, Hat Day and concession sales at Alice@Wonderland has brought us our best year yet. This level of support is a true testament to the dedication students, families and staff have for PLP! The Annual Fund donation totals are nearly totaled, but PLP will be accepting contributions for a few more days during this time, so get your last minute donations in now.

Also, I want to thank all of the community members who came out and supported Alice@Wonderland. A huge thanks goes out to Ms. Susan York, Ms. Jessica Biondo and Ms. Amy Woodall for all of their hard work putting together this fantastic show. The student performers and technical staff deserve accolades as well...their talents and preparation showed through in each of the four performances. Well done!

Veterans Day Recognition Ceremony

The Middle School is hosting a recognition event in honor of active and retired military personnel on Thursday, November 9th. This assembly will feature active and retired military from our community, informational readings about the history of Veterans Day and performances from the PLP MS chorus, band and orchestra. In addition, each MS student was sent home with a paper that, when returned, will be attached to an American flag to honor veterans from our PLP families and friends. We encourage families to fill these out and return them so we may display the pride PLP has for the courage and sacrifice shown by our community members.

Athletics Updates

PLP middle school athletes had a fall season for the books! The boys soccer team finished in first place at the PCAC championship! The girls volleyball team completed a perfect 17-0 regular season and finished first in the PCAC regular season. The cross country team had an extremely successful season. Payton Pemberton finished the season in first place in the conference. Also, nine out of ten boys and 11 out of 12 girls ran their personal best times at the conference meet. The middle school boys football team completed a winning season, earning themselves a playoff spot.

Dress Down Day

The next PLP no uniform day is Wednesday, November 8. The first three days have been extremely successful and we encourage all students to participate Wednesday!

Save Energy and Earn Cash for PLP!

Help PLP earn ANOTHER \$250 check - and maybe even the \$2500 grand prize - just by signing up for a FREE energy kit! See details below, and at MyEnergyKit.org.

Overnight Field Trips Information and Deadlines

Overnight field trips are in the works and first payments are fast approaching. As a reminder:

- 6th grade is headed to Black Mountain from April 11-13. The payment of \$240.00 is due by January 3, 2018. The 6th grade parent meeting for the Black Mountain trip is October 16 in the US Seminar Room at 6:30 pm.
- 7th grade is traveling to Washington, D.C. February 28-March 2. The first payment of \$99 was due October 1st and final payment will be due December 15th.
- 8th grade is headed to Space Camp April 18-20. The first payment of \$220 was due October 31. Next payment of \$110 is due December 1.

Please see below for other important dates and reminders:

11/6 - MS Band Veteran's Day concert 6:30 pm

11/8 - Dress Down Day

11/9 - MS Veterans Day Assembly 10:30 am

11/9 - PLP Fall Fest 5:00-8:00

11/10 - Veterans Day observed, no school

11/16 - MS Fall Orchestra concert 6:30 pm

11/20-11/24 - No school, Thanksgiving break

11/27-12/1 - MS Book Fair