



## PLEASANT AVENUE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2011



### IMPORTANT SEPTEMBER DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sept. 9 Welcome Back Assembly @ 9:30 AM  
Sept. 12 SDM Meeting @ 5:00 PM—PTA Meeting 6:00 PM  
Sept. 12 Instrument Information Night 6:00 PM @ JHS—  
for all 5th graders & new 6th grade band students (2nd year band does not need to attend)  
Sept. 15 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 PM @ JHS  
Sept. 16 Accelerated Reader Kickoff Chicken BBQ @ Whitey's 4:30—7:00 PM  
Sept. 21 Open House and Scholastic Book Fair 5:30—7:30 PM

### OPENING DAY PACKETS

Today an opening day packet of papers was sent home for you to fill out and send back to school. The packet should contain the following:

- Student Parent Contact Information Sheet\*
- Health Record Update\*
- Emergency School Closing\*
- Request for Notification of Elementary Pupil Absence\*
- Technology Use Form\*
- Application for Free and Reduced price School Meals/Milk\*
- The School District Code of Conduct
- Lunch & Breakfast Menu
- Release of Directory Information
- No Child Left Behind Memo

**\* - Please make sure that the underlined forms are completely filled out, signed and returned to school by Friday, September 9, 2011. Although it is not mandatory, we do encourage all parents to complete the application for free & reduced price school meals.**

Please note that the Student Parent Contact Information Sheet has taken place of the Emergency Contact sheet. This form is now generated electronically. It lists the parents and the emergency contacts you have listed for your child. If you wish to take someone off of the list, you may cross off that person. If you need to add a person, please place it in the space provided; be sure to include the name and phone number of the person. If possible, please include their address. If you need additional room to add contacts, please contact Mrs. Anagnostopulos 762-8610 and she will send home additional forms. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, it helps us ensure the safety and well-being of your children.

### [www.johnstownschoools.org](http://www.johnstownschoools.org)

Our district's website is [www.johnstownschoools.org](http://www.johnstownschoools.org). Please note that all lunch menus, newsletters and updated school information will be placed on the website. In order to conserve paper, we will not be sending hard copies home. If you provide your email address on your emergency contact form, the newsletter will be sent to you monthly via email. If you choose not to provide your email address, you may go to the website to see a copy of the monthly newsletter. If you do not have access to the internet, you may request a copy from the office to be sent home with your child.

**SAFETY FIRST!**

## PLEASANT AVENUE 10 GOOD CITIZENSHIP RULES

**RESPECT!**

Character education remains a priority! Our goal is to develop a strong character in every one of our students. In an effort to keep our students and families informed of our expectations, please review the list of Pleasant Ave.'s 10 Good Citizenship Rules with your child.

The "Rules" are as follows:

1. SAFETY FIRST!
2. Be in your seat when the 9:00 AM bell rings.
3. Hand in completed homework when it is due.
4. Follow all directions given by adults.
5. Walk down the halls quietly.
6. Respect other people's bodies and belongings by not touching them.
7. In the cafeteria, speak softly, clean up your own items, and ask permission to leave your seat.
8. Use proper words, not actions, to settle disagreements.
9. Take responsibility for your actions.
10. Treat others as you want to be treated.

### PTA OPEN HOUSE, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2011

Please come and get acquainted with our school and staff during Open House. Each year Open House is an opportunity to meet staff members for the first time. On Wednesday, September 21, parents and students will be able to visit the classrooms from 5:30—7:30 PM. In addition, our PTA will be sponsoring their annual membership drive and the Book Fair will be open. More details will be sent home in the near future.

### A NOTE FROM MR. VIVENZIO

Welcome to our new families and welcome back to our returning families. We are happy to have you with us. We will be holding an assembly for all students from 9:30 am -10:30 AM on Friday. This will give me an opportunity to introduce myself to all of the students, review the student handbook and provide the students information regarding the school year. We will be doing everything we can to keep Pleasant Avenue a safe environment for all of students, families, faculty and staff. This week parents are able to walk their children down to the gymnasium and classrooms to meet their teachers. Starting Monday, we will ask that your children begin walking to these locations on their own. We will have staff available to assist your children as needed. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please feel free to contact me via email at [jvivenzio@johnstownschoools.org](mailto:jvivenzio@johnstownschoools.org) or phone at 762-8610.

Please remember that we have an open door policy here at Pleasant Avenue. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child, or the school, please feel free to contact me at 762-8610, or via email at [jvivenzio@johnstownschoools.org](mailto:jvivenzio@johnstownschoools.org). If you have any questions for your child's teacher you may contact them via email by using the first initial of their first name and their last name @ [johnstownschoools.org](mailto:johnstownschoools.org). For example Helen Reed's email address is [hreed@johnstownschoools.org](mailto:hreed@johnstownschoools.org). We look forward to a very successful school year!