

Rescue Union School District

PLEASANT GROVE MIDDLE SCHOOL

February 2010 NEWSLETTER

www.myplesantgrove.com

Reid Briggs, Principal
Dave Scroggins, Assistant Principal.



PTO Meeting Monday February 22nd, 6:30pm,
Staff Room, all are welcome.

Puma Wear on sale now. We've added a new raglan style T and sweat just in time for winter PE. Samples and forms in the office, erleo93@comcast.net

Distribution of Community Bulletins and Flyers - RUSD facilitates the distribution of community information from non-profit organizations that is of interest and value to our students and families. Flyers are posted on the district website at <http://rescue.k12.ca.us/district/flyers.html>



MUSIC BOOSTERS

Music Booster meeting, February 16th, 6:30pm,
Band Room

Capitol Section Orchestra for 6th, 7th and 8th grade
Strings, **Saturday February 6th,** Sacramento Day
School.

**Rescue Union School
District celebrates two
President's days this
month...**



**Lincoln's Birthday and
President's Day
No school on the following
consecutive Mondays
February 8th and 15th**



PE MAKE-UP RUN SCHEDULE

(AM @ 7:20 AM ---PM@ 2:05 PM)

Feb. 3 rd	PM
Feb. 10 th	AM
Feb. 17 th	PM



Show Your Puma Pride and Support Our School with e-Scrip



- In addition to sending in your Box Tops, you can support our school with e-scrip. Use your Safeway club card every time you shop, and up to 4% of your purchases are donated to our school. You can register on-line at www.escrip.com. Use your Raley's/BelAir Quality of Life Card and up to 4% of your monthly purchases will go to Pleasant Grove. Register your card on-line at www.raleys.com. Use your Target Red Card and 1% of your in-store or www.target.com purchases will be donated to our school. You can enroll at www.target.com. We have 12 cards registered to date. Think of all the shopping we all do at Target and the grocery stores, and how much our school could earn!



Inclement weather is upon us and there are many questions that arise regarding **PE activity** during the winter months. We will try and go outside for activity whenever possible. If fields and playing surfaces are deemed safe by the physical education department, students will be outside participating even during cold, windy, and possibly light rain situations. Students may wear sweatpants and sweatshirts or jackets over their PE clothes to stay warm. Sweats may be any color as long as they are athletic type and safe for participation. It also might be a good idea to pack a plastic bag in your students backpack for wet, muddy shoes.



Track and Field needs volunteers to help throughout the season. Contact Mrs. Cornelius at 672-4400 or scornelius@rescue.k12.ca.us.



SITE COUNCIL

The next meeting will be held on February 18th from 2:30 to 4:00 pm in the Library. Discussion of our School Improvement Plan will be the topic. Parents are welcome to attend.

English Language Learners (ELL)

Parent Meeting - Feb. 18th, at Green Valley School's Library, 7:00 p.m. This is for parents of English Learners from any RUSD school, or parents who speak a language other than English at home. Come get connected!

English Learner Tutoring – After school tutoring for English Learners in grades 4-8 begins on December 1st and will run through May 20th. The tutoring, which will be held at Green Valley School's library on Tuesdays and Thursdays, will run from 3:15 to 5:30, with start times of 3:15 and 4:00. Tutoring will focus on homework help and academic areas in which students are struggling, with as many as three teachers providing the instruction. Parents are also encouraged to attend to assist the children with their homework. Snacks will be provided. Parents must sign out their students at the end of the tutoring sessions. Students will not be released to walk home without their parent or guardian. For more information about this program, please contact Mrs. Ulmer at 677-4812 or Mrs. Pettit at 672-4400.



8th Grade News

On February 11th all of the eligible 8th grade students will take a bus from school to the Placerville fairgrounds for a Career Fair. We will leave school at 9:30 and return at about 1:30. Parent volunteers are needed to ride to and from the fairgrounds with the students and help supervise while there. If you are interested in supervising and have been fingerprinted, please contact Mrs. Eisenhart or the office (672-4400). If your child has not turned in the green permission slip, please do so ASAP.



Yearbooks are for sale through the front office and online at www.jostens.com. The cost of the yearbook has gone up to \$30. Only 250 books remain. Don't be left out.

URGENT message to 8th Grade parents!

One of the ads is missing and we do not know which one. If you purchased a 1/8 page ad for your graduate, please contact Mrs. Cotenat at tcotenat@rescue.k12.ca.us or 530-672-4400 **immediately**. Information needs to be verified soon.

GATE

Academic Talent Search (ATS) testing date, February 22nd. The registration form and the processing fee are due to the office by February 5th. By taking the ATS test, your student will have the opportunity to take summer classes at Sac. State with other middle schoolers. While the test is open to all students, individual test results determine which classes the student is eligible to take. ATS is offering over 120 summer classes; including language, media arts and dance. For more information go to edweb/csus.edu/Projects/ats

Classes for GATE Parents - Rescue District is pleased to offer the following classes for parents of GATE students.

- March 1 – Characteristics and social/emotional needs of gifted children and their relationship to student motivation
- March 15 – How parents can help keep their GATE students motivated.
- April 12 – Helping GATE students take charge of their learning

All classes will take place on Mondays at 6:30 in the Jackson Elementary School Library. Each class is \$10 or \$25 for all three. RSVP to Susan Macaluso by February 22 if you are interested or have questions, smacaluso@rescue.k12.ca.us



FROM THE OFFICE: SNAPGRADES.

Have you checked out our newest electronic tool? This is for parents and students to keep track of grades on-line daily or weekly if you wish. Go to www.snapgrades.net and sign up. You will need your students ID number (located on their Student ID card) or call the office and we will be happy to assist you.

End of the 2nd Trimester
Friday, February 19th, Minimum Day

Lunch Tutorials All Teachers at Pleasant Grove offer extra help weekly to students. If your student is having trouble with an assignment please check with their teacher for tutorial times.



31	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Girls' Basketball at Camerado, 3:30pm	P.E. Make-up Run 2:05pm	Girls' Basketball vs. Sutter, home, 3:30pm Wrestling at Camerado, 4:00pm		Capitol Section Orchestra
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	No School Lincoln's Day 	Girls' Basketball vs. Rolling Hills, home, 3:30pm	P.E. Make-up Run 7:20am	8th grade Field Trip Girls' Basketball vs. Folsom, home, 3:30pm		Wrestling League Finals, Home
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	No School President's Day 	Girls' Basketball at Marina, 3:30pm  Music Booster Meeting 6:30pm	P.E. Make-up Run 2:05pm ELL Meeting 6:00pm, Staff room	Girls' Basketball vs. Camerado, home, 3:30pm Site Council 2:30pm ELL Meeting Green Valley Library, 7:00pm	End of 2nd Trimester Minimum Day	Wrestling County finals
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	ATS Testing  PTO Meeting 6:30pm	Girls' Basketball at Sutter, 4:00pm	P.E. Make-up Run 7:20am	Girls' Basketball at Rolling Hills, 3:30pm		
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