



# Panda Press

Mr. Ross, Principal

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## A note from the Principal

I would like to welcome you to the start of the 2017-18 school year. We are excited to have the students back after a long and restful summer. There is a lot of academic work to be done this year!

Our fall conferences will be taking place on October 24<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Sign-ups will again be done electronically and information has been sent home on how to access the website. If you have questions on how to sign up electronically, please call 425-3601.

Our annual Fall Carnival will be taking place on **Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>** from **11:00 am-2:00 pm**. Pre-order ticket forms have been sent home with your child. We look forward to seeing many of our families in attendance for this fun event.

I look forward to an outstanding school year for all of our students and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions about any aspect of your child's education.

Sincerely,

Ed Ross/Principal

## Pullman Carnival

Saturday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 am - 2:00 pm



### October Dates to Remember

monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday
<b>2</b> PTA Mtg.	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Walk/Bike to School	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> No School	<b>20</b> No School
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Conferences Picture Retakes	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Conferences	<b>27</b>
<b>30</b>				1

## Parent Teacher Conferences

October 24 & 26

We are using PTCFast.com to make signups as convenient as possible. You should have received signup information with an access code.

Call the office if you do not have the access code for your son/daughter or if you do not have internet access at 651-425-3600.



**Come Join us for  
Walk & Bike to School  
Wednesday, October 4th**

Receive a ticket from Crossing Guards at the corner to enter into a drawing for prizes.

Get exercise and have fun!

### News from the Health Office

As most of you know, we are in the cold and flu season. If you plan on sending cough drops with your student, please make sure that they are placed in a Ziploc bag with your child's name and a permission slip inside. These **MUST** be kept in the Health Office, and your child will be given a pass to come and get one.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Health Office, at 651-425-3602.

Jennifer Johanson. Health Assistant

### Art News



Hello! I would like to introduce myself, my name is Jill Brown. I am the Art Specialist for children in the first through fifth grades. I have been teaching elementary art for 18 years. I really cannot express how much I love teaching art and making art with young people. I have enjoyed getting to know the students here at Pullman and I am excited to get to know all the families as well!

### What is AVID?

Every student at Pullman has some elements of AVID in their classroom. But, what is AVID? AVID stands for *Achievement Via Individual Determination*. AVID strives to show kids that everyone can go to college. Whether it is a two-year or four-year degree, students need education and skill training after high school in order to obtain 21<sup>st</sup> century careers.

All our teachers at Pullman are trained in AVID and that means they are teaching your students skills that will help them be successful in school and beyond. The skills we teach primarily in elementary school are **organization**. But, we also teach **writing, inquiry, collaboration, and reading** skills. Your student needs all of these skills to be successful, even in kindergarten!

In the coming months, I will be showing you examples of what WICOR (writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization & reading) looks like in your child's classroom. I am excited for the opportunities AVID brings to all of our students at Pullman!

Please always feel free to contact me, as well as your student's classroom teacher, with any AVID questions.

Shelley Goecke  
AVID Lead/Fourth Grade Teacher  
sgoecke@sowashco.org



### Character Matters

Student of the Month is back this year. We are excited to highlight a specific character trait each month and recognize students who demonstrate these qualities. During the month of October we will focus on being helpful. How is your child helpful at home?

Please let me know if you have any questions.

*Nicole Wildman*

## Gym"NEWS"ium

We are off to a great start. We are enjoying getting to know your children and look forward to meeting you personally sometime during the school year. We are sure you are committed to seeing that your child gets off to a good start as well as we are. For that reason, we are sending a copy of our Physical Education rules and a list of student responsibilities home. When a problem arises in the classroom gym, we will make a complete effort to resolve the matter individually with the student. If we are unable to resolve the problem then we often ask parents for support and assistance. Together we usually resolve problems early and get students back on track. Please support us by reviewing with your child the attached lists of rules and responsibilities.

Fitastically,

Mr. Cronin  
Ms. Maes  
Physical Education Specialists

### Expectations in Gym

- Safety first
- Cooperate with teacher and classmates
- Respect the rights and property of others
- Carry out your basic student responsibilities
- Remember tennis shoes - No boots, sandals or platform shoes/high soles
- Wear appropriate clothing to ensure safe movement
- Be responsible for your own actions
- Line up quickly and quietly
- Please give your best effort.

### Mark your calendar for the District X-Country Meet Grades 3-5

Where: Bailey Elementary  
When: Tuesday Oct 10th  
Costs: \$2.00  
Time: TBD (afterschool)

## PTA Officers 2017-2018

President: Hayley Howland  
[howlandhayley@hotmail.com](mailto:howlandhayley@hotmail.com)  
Vice President: to be voted in on October 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Treasurer: Mindy Sylte  
[mindy.sylte@gmail.com](mailto:mindy.sylte@gmail.com)  
Secretary: Samantha Winsor  
[swinsor1983@gmail.com](mailto:swinsor1983@gmail.com)  
Volunteer Coordinator: Kelli Carlson  
[kellimocha@yahoo.com](mailto:kellimocha@yahoo.com)

### Events at a glance

#### October

2<sup>nd</sup> PTA Meeting 6:30-7:30  
11<sup>th</sup> Wear orange to support anti bullying month  
13<sup>th</sup> Carnival set up  
14<sup>th</sup> Carnival  
31<sup>st</sup> BoxTops due

#### November

2<sup>nd</sup> Fall Fundraiser pick up  
6<sup>th</sup> PTA Meeting 6:30-7:30  
21<sup>st</sup> Culvers Night

### DONATIONS NEEDED!!

Please bring all donations to the main office. We appreciate your ongoing support!!

- \*250+ 2 liter bottles of pop for the most popular game at the carnival – RING TOSS!
- \*Baked/Store bought baked goods for the cake walk
- \*Carnival Volunteers
- \*Raffle Items
- \*BoxTops

If you have any questions, comments, ideas or interest in joining the Pullman PTA please join us at our next meeting. We are a fun group looking for active parents who want to be involved in there kid's education. We look forward to meeting you and hearing all your great ideas to help make Pullman Elementary an awesome place for our kids to grow.

Thank you,

Hayley Howland  
PTA President



**PULLMAN'S  
SPOOKTACULAR CARNIVAL**  
Saturday, October 14th  
From: 11am – 2pm

Games, Raffles, Bounce Houses, Haunted Houses  
Costume Contest at 1:30pm

All Raffles winners will be announced at 1:45pm

**FUN FOR ALL AGES!**

Bring friends, neighbors, siblings!

**PRE-ORDER FORM DUE BY: October 6th**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

LUNCH: (indicate HOW MANY OF EACH)  
Meal: Consists of Hot Dog, Chips, Cookie, and Water

\$3 per Meal \_\_\_\_\_ (at the door it will be \$4)

\$1 per item \_\_\_\_\_ HOT DOG

\_\_\_\_\_ CHIPS

\_\_\_\_\_ COOKIE

\_\_\_\_\_ WATER

**RAFFLE TICKETS:**

\$1 per ticket \_\_\_\_\_ or \$5 for 6 tickets \_\_\_\_\_

**GAME TICKETS:**

\$.50 per ticket \_\_\_\_\_ or \$20 for 50 tickets \_\_\_\_\_

(at the door they will be \$.50 per ticket)

**CHECKS MADE OUT TO: Pullman PTA or CASH ONLY excepted at the door**



## Pullman Elementary

# Look What We Could Earn!

# of Students	Box Tops Per Month	Months	Box Top Value	Earning Potential
445	1	10	\$0.10	\$445
445	5	10	\$0.10	\$2,225
445	10	10	\$0.10	\$4,450
445	15	10	\$0.10	\$6,675
445	20	10	\$0.10	\$8,900
445	25	10	\$0.10	\$11,125
445	30	10	\$0.10	\$13,350
445	35	10	\$0.10	\$15,575
445	40	10	\$0.10	\$17,800
445	45	10	\$0.10	\$20,025
445	50	10	\$0.10	\$22,250

### We will be collecting Box Tops all year long!


You can turn them into your teacher in a Ziploc baggies or envelopes marked with your name and your teacher's name on them. For every TEN Box Tops you send in, your name will be entered into a drawing for a monthly prize.



# 50 BOX TOPS = \$5 FOR YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL



Clipped Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your child's school. Tape or paste them to this collection sheet and send it to school. Please note, bonus certificates must be submitted separately. Thanks for your help!

- 1 Clip Box Tops and check expiration date 
- 2 Tape or glue Box Tops on sheet until filled
- 3 Send completed sheet to your school Coordinator

