



Putnam Elementary School

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October / November 2022

Principal
**Steve
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Positive attitude

Respect

Integrity

Determination

Empathy

Message from the Principal

November 1, 2022

Dear Putnam Families,



It was fantastic to see so many of our families in the building during October!

Throughout October, we had the opportunity to share several community activities with you. At Parent-Teacher Conferences, we shared student learning for the first quarter of the year. In February, there will be another opportunity to formally conference and meet with your child's teacher. In addition, please feel free at any time to set an appointment to meet with staff and discuss your child's progress. Another schoolwide activity we held was our Panther Prowl Jogathon. We had a ton of fun! Kids met their goals for laps while building healthy habits. Our annual Halloween Parade was also a smash! It was great to see you at each of these activities! We are looking forward to many more community events throughout the year!

One of PSD's and Putnam's priorities this year is Literacy. At Putnam, we are learning about evidence-based practices in Reading. There are 5 Components of Reading that support students becoming better readers. The 5 components are Phonological Awareness(sounds), Phonics (letters & sounds), Fluency

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TIME WELL SPENT

Your child's Well Care Visits help us address the following:

- Diet & Nutrition
- Chronic Health Issues
- Parental Concerns
- Growth, Development & More



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Message from the Principal *continued*

(reading words accurately, quickly and with expression), Vocabulary (learning the words we're reading) and Reading Comprehension (ability of students to understand what they are reading).

At our first Read with a Loved One, we shared reading comprehension strategies that families can use while reading with their students. One support strategy for families to use is *chunking*. As you read with your child and help build comprehension, try chunking the story or text into small sections. According to the Reading Rockets website, you can "chunk it into small sections (a paragraph, a page) and then ask questions at the end of each section and guide rereading when kids can't answer the questions. As they get better with this, stretch them out, by giving them larger chunks."

We'll continue our discussion about the 5 components throughout the year by providing definitions and helpful tips so that every student can be a successful reader.

Warm Regards,

Steve

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VISION & HEARING SCREENING**PROJECT SMILE SCREENING****November 1, 2022**

PSD and Putnam will be holding their annual Vision & Hearing Screening on November 1st. Our RN, Sarah Hansen will send home referrals for additional screening if necessary.

Project Smile, part of Salud Family Health Centers, will be here doing dental screening for those students that turned in their permission form. Permission forms were sent home in October in a Salud folder, if you did not receive one and would like one, please contact the office.

**READ WITH A LOVED ONE****November 4, 2022****8:55am to 9:15am**

Start your day off right with a loved one and a good book. Please join us Friday, 11/4, and read with your student in their classroom.

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PTO MEETING

November 4, 2022

9:20am to 10:30am

Please stay after Read With A Loved One and join us for our PTO meeting. We had a great turn out at our first meeting! Thank you for being a part of your student(s) school! This month we will be discussing:

- Paint Night
- Movie Night
- Fundraising Ideas
- Please come with ideas to share!!

MUSIC CONCERTS

Coming soon... music performances have returned!

1st and 3rd grades will have their concerts in December. They have been working hard and are excited to show you their musical talents.

The concerts are:

- December 7th- 3rd grade @6:30pm and
- December 14th- 1st Grade @6:30pm

More information to follow soon in Monday folders and via Remind.

Let Mrs. Dohn know if you have any questions.

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PUTNAM PAINT NIGHT**December 8, 2022****6:00pm to 7:00pm**

Save the date! Please plan to spend the evening with us painting!!

We will be hosting our Putnam Paint Night on December 8th.

Our Art Teacher, Mrs. Goodman, will be leading families in a Paint-Along!

All materials and light snacks will be provided.

Look for more information and an RSVP in your student's Monday Folder.

23/24 KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION HOUR**November 16, 2022****Putnam Elementary School****5:30pm to 6:30pm**

If you have a student that will be starting kindergarten next year (2023/2024), please come to Putnam's Kindergarten Information Hour. We will show you the day in the life of a Putnam Kindergartener and give you a tour of the school. If you know anyone in the neighborhood that will have a first-time student, please share this information with them.

- Kindergarten Registration 12/7/22
- School of Choice Deadline 12/15/22
- Kindergarten students must be 5 years of age by October 1, 2023

NO SCHOOL

- November 11 – Collaboration/Teach Workday
- November 21-25 – Thanksgiving Break

MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

For our parents of 5th graders, now is the time to start thinking about the middle school your child will attend. Putnam's feeder school is Lincoln Middle School. If you plan to attend Lincoln, your student will be given registration forms in January 27, 2023. If you want to attend a different middle school, you'll need to complete a school of choice application, which can be found on the PSD website. The school of choice deadline is 12/15/22.

Lincoln Middle School counselors will come visit our 5th Graders on 1/27/23. Our 5th graders will learn all the great opportunities that await them in middle school.

Here are the dates & times of the middle schools' open houses. If you have any questions, please contact the middle school directly.

LINCOLN MS - Incoming 6th Grade Family Night, 12/8/22, 6:00pm to 7:30pm

BLEVINS MS – Blevins Family Night, 11/30/22, 5:30pm to 7:30pm

BOLTZ MS – Open House, 11/30/22 5:30pm to 7:00pm

CLP MS – Open House, 12/1/22 5:30pm to 7:30pm

LESHER MS – Open House, 11/10/22, 6:00pm to 7:30pm

KINARD MS – Incoming 6th Grade Family Night, 12/1/22, 6:00pm to 8:30pm

POLARIS – Middle & High School Open House, 12/7/22, 5:00pm to 5:45pm

PRESTON MS – Open House, 12/8/22, 6:00pm to 8:00pm

PSD GLOBAL ACADEMY – PGA K-12 School Information, 12/1/22 & 1/19/23, 5:30pm to 6:30pm

TIMNATH MHS – Open House 12/8/22 6:30pm to 8:30pm

WELLINGTON MHS – Promo Night/Open House, 12/1/22, 6:00pm to 7:30pm

WEBBER MS – Open House, 11/10/22, 6:00pm to 7:30pm

VOLUNTEERING AT PUTNAM

Putnam Elementary School has a new Volunteer Coordinator, April Ryhmaun. If you are interested in volunteering at Putnam, please following these steps:



1. Register on Poudre School Districts volunteer website <https://www.psdschools.org/community/volunteers>
2. Once you are approved to volunteer, email April Ryhmaun at amsifford25@gmail.com and let her know you were approved to volunteer.
3. That's it! Wait to be notified regarding volunteer opportunities at Putnam.

AMERICAN FURNITURE WAREHOUSE SCHOOL REWARDS PROGRAM



If you purchase anything from AFW over the summer, please remember us!! Give AFW our name or **code #PTNM50** and we will receive a percentage of your purchase. It's that easy! Please share this information with all your friends & families.

MORNING FRESH DAIRY FARM

Caps4Cash

Cash for your school? It's as easy as drinking milk!

Caps4Cash is a Morning Fresh Dairy program where schools can earn cash by collecting caps from Morning Fresh Dairy glass bottles. Each cap will be redeemed for 5¢ and spent any way the school would like!

- Drink your Milk
- Save your bottle caps
- Collect caps from family and friends
- Bring the caps to school
- Drop them in the collection box



PUTNAM'S BELL SCHEDULE

8:55 AM Start of the day

3:38 PM End of the day

LUNCH/RECESS SCHEDULE:

11:00 am to 11:40 am	Kinder
11:10 am to 11:50 am	1 st Grade
11:30 am to 12:10 pm	2 nd Grade
11:40 am to 12:20 pm	3 rd Grade
11:55 am to 12:35 pm	4 th Grade
12:05 pm to 12:45 pm	5 th Grade



Free Breakfast & Lunch for all students @ Putnam. Parents, please continue to fill out Free & Reduced Lunch forms as our school receives other benefits based on this information! Forms can be filled online at <https://www.psdschools.org/programs-services/school-meals/free-and-reduced-meals>

If you do not want to fill out online, please come to school to get a paper copy. Thank you!

PUTNAM'S EXPECTATIONS

1. Make Good Decisions
2. Solve Problems
3. Show Respect

MONDAY FOLDERS

We use Monday folders to keep everyone informed. Please look for the Monday Folder in your student's backpack.



November 2022

Putnam Elementary

Lunch

MONDAY **TUESDAY** **WEDNESDAY** **THURSDAY** **FRIDAY**

Food Offered Daily:

- Salad Bar
- Fruit Salad
- Assorted Salad Dressings
- Whole Wheat Dinner Roll
- Chocolate Milk
- Milk fat free
- Milk low fat 1%
- Assorted Condiments

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| <p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamburger & Cheeseburger • Mac & Cheese • Cold Delt Meat & Goldfish • Pb&J Sandwich • ColdDelt Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels • Green Beans | <p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asian Teriyaki Chicken & Rice • Chicken Patty Sandwich • Deli Sandwich • Pb&J Sandwich • ColdDelt Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels • Steamed Veggies | <p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beef Taco & Rice • Chicken Strips • Cold Delt Meat & Goldfish • Pb&J Sandwich • ColdDelt Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels • Black Beans • Nugget Dipping Sauces • Mexican Condiments- ELEM | <p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheese Pizza • Meat Lovers Pizza • Chef Salad & Roll • Pb&J Sandwich • ColdDelt Yogurt & Goldfish or Pretzels • Peas • Assorted Italian Condiments |
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| <p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meatball Sandwich • Chicken Drumstick & Roll • Cold Delt Meat & Roll • Pb&J Sandwich • Cold Delt Yogurt & Roll • Corn | <p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lasagna with Veggies • Cheese Calzone & Marinara • Deli Sandwich • Pb&J Sandwich • Cold Delt Yogurt & Roll • Green Beans • Assorted Italian Condiments | <p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orange Chicken & Rice • Fish Filet • Cold Delt Meat & Roll • Pb&J Sandwich • Cold Delt Yogurt & Roll • Steamed Broccoli | <p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chicken Burrito • Hot Dog • Deli Sandwich • Pb&J Sandwich • Cold Delt Yogurt & Roll • Refried Beans • Mexican Condiments- ELEM | <p>11</p>  |
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| <p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chicken Nuggets • Cheese Ravioli & Roll • Cold Delt Meat & Pretzels • Pb&J Sandwich • Cold Delt Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish • Steamed Broccoli • Assorted Italian Condiments • Nugget Dipping Sauces | <p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pork Chop Sandwich • Mac & Cheese • Cold Delt Meat & Pretzels • Pb&J Sandwich • Cold Delt Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish • Green Beans • Assorted Italian Condiments | <p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asian noodle & Meatball • Chicken Patty Sandwich • Deli Sandwich • Pb&J Sandwich • Cold Delt Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish • Steamed Veggies | <p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chicken Tacos & Rice • Cheese Calzone & Marinara • Cold Delt Meat & Pretzels • Pb&J Sandwich • Cold Delt Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish • Black Beans • Mexican Condiments- ELEM | <p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheese Pizza • Pizza Bites • Chicken Caesar Wrap • Cold Delt Yogurt & Pretzel or Goldfish • Pb&J Sandwich • Peas • Assorted Italian Condiments |
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PARENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

Parents dropping kids off in the morning can drop off no earlier than 8:40am.

Use the east parking lot for both drop-off & pick-up. We have several staff members outside to make sure kids get where they need to be.



If you need a dashboard name tag, please request one from the office – 970-488-7700.

Early Childhood parents will park in front of the school. Then they will walk their child to the exterior classroom door. Parents will use an iPad to sign students in and out.

For the safety of all, please obey all traffic laws and use the crosswalk in front of the school.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation is not automatic; you must register with transportation for all services.

Here is a link for registering:



<https://www.psdschools.org/programs-services/transportation>

Know where the bus is at all times, download the application *Here Comes the Bus* from the Google Play Store or Apple App Store. **Putnam's code #75840**

Here is the link to login to Here Comes the Bus:

<https://login.herecomesthebus.com/Authenticate.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2f>

Any questions regarding transportation, please call transportation directly at 970-490-3232

Putnam T-Shirts Every Friday!!

Show your school spirit and wear your Putnam shirt on Fridays!! If you don't have a Putnam t-shirts, no worries! We will be providing t-shirts to all students in the next few weeks.