

Putnam Valley Elementary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Congratulations! Today, the fourth grade students were invited to participate in the PVES Science/Maker Fair. This event will take place in the PVES Gym from 6:30-7:30 PM on March 14th. It will be set up that morning for students to visit during the school day. Over the next few weeks, your fourth grader will be able to plan a project, implement it, and display the results for the school community.

Students may choose to do an experiment, a demonstration of a scientific principle, a research project, a presentation of a collection, or a presentation on a scientific apparatus. Each experiment or project must be approved by school personnel. We do encourage students to use the scientific method that they have learned in class to perform a scientific experiment. The scientific method includes:

- **Purpose**- the purpose of the project is clearly stated
- **Hypothesis or Prediction**- this must be clearly stated
- **Materials list**- a list of all supplied used including any books, articles, movies
- **Procedure**- the list of steps taken to carry out the experiment must be written using numbered steps
- **Conclusion**- clearly stated

We have also added a new “maker” element to this year’s Fair. The “maker” concept is based on invention, creativity, and resourcefulness. So, if your child is enthusiastic about technology, crafting, or engineering, this will be a place to exhibit those skills. Poster boards can be used to help with the visual displays. No live animals, unattached balloons, or food tasting will be allowed.

I, along with Ms. Mistretta, Mrs. Broas, our school library aide, and our PVHS Science Honor Society high students, will be available to meet with fourth grade students weekly to check in with them. We will assist them in their research and answer any questions that they may have. These meetings will be held in the library during lunch/recess times, along with several *after-school sessions with our high school scientists*. The dates for these voluntary afternoon meetings, which will take place from 3:30-4:15 in the elementary school, will be:

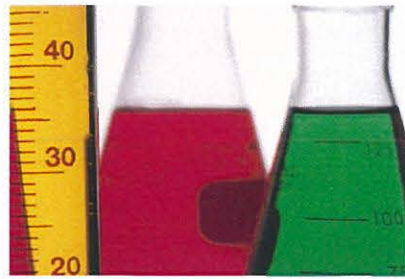
February 15, 2018
February 22, 2018
March 1, 2018
March 8, 2018

Please note that if you would like to have your fourth grader stay to work with the high school science students on one or all of the above dates, your child must bring in a **note** giving permission, and you must be able to **pick your child up promptly at 4:15**. No bus transportation will be provided at this time. Ms. Mistretta and I look forward to supervising these after school sessions.

If you have any questions or concerns while your child is preparing for the Science/Maker Fair, I am happy to answer them for you. I can be reached at (845) 528-8092 or via email at mpodesta@pvcsd.org.

Thank you,
Margaret Podesta
Principal

CALLING ALL 4TH GRADE SCIENTISTS!!!



PVES Science/Maker Fair

Ms. Podesta, Ms. Mistretta, and Mrs. Broas will be working with the fourth grade scientists during lunch/recess to help guide them in the process of carrying out a science experiment or maker project. High School students from the Science Honor Society will also be available to work with your students after school on Thursdays in Feb/March, if needed. If you would like your child to participate in this year's Science/Maker Fair, please complete the form below and give it to your child's fourth grade teacher by Friday, February 2nd.

The 4th grade Science/Maker Fair projects will be displayed in the PVES Gym on March 14th.

_____ I would like my child to participate in the 4th grade Science/Maker Fair! I understand that all experiments and projects must be approved by school personnel. I know that no food tasting, loose or popping balloons, or live animals are allowed.

_____ I give my child permission to work with a partner, and I understand that this might involve out-of-school planning and collaboration.

Child's Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Parent Signature

Date



P.V.E.S
Physical Education Department

JERSEY DAY



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The most watched athletic event is soon approaching us. That's right, it is the Super Bowl. To celebrate this event we are asking you to allow your child(ren) to wear a National Football League Jersey on **Friday, February 2nd**. If you do not own a football Jersey, your child(ren) may wear any sporting jersey that they may own.

Thank you for your support of our annual NFL jersey day!

Mrs. Aurigemma/ Mr. Heitman



**PVPR
AFTER-SCHOOL
HOLIDAY CRAFT CLASSES**



Sign Up for Tuesday or Thursday classes

THEMES	Tuesday Session Dates	Thursday Session Dates
Valentine's Day Sweets	Feb. 6	Feb. 8
St. Patty's Treasures	March 20	March 22
Easter Eggcitement	April 24	April 26
Mother's Day Memories	May 8	May 10
Father's Day Fun	June 12	June 14

Instructor:

Serafina Martorano

Class Info:

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Childside Classroom

Cost:

\$50.00 for 5 classes

Registration:

Sign up at PVPR or mail in registration form on back of this flyer

Putnam Valley Parks & Recreation

265 Oscawanna Lake Road

Putnam Valley, New York 10579

Office # 845-526-3292 / Fax # 845-526-3179

Putnam Valley Parks & Recreation Registration Form

Name: _____		Parent/Guardian: _____	
Address: _____		Email: _____	
Home Phone: _____		Cell/WorkPhone: _____	
Emergency Contact: _____		Phone Number: _____	
Program Name	Day/Time	Fee	age/ grade

<p>By my signature I have read and also understand the Putnam Valley Parks & Recreation Registration and Policies Statement. I assume all risks of personal injury involving these activities. Acting for myself or son or daughter. I do hereby release the Town of Putnam, the Parks & Recreation Commission, its staff and special instructors of all liabilities including claim and suits of law or equity, for any injuries which result directly or indirectly by reason of participation in the above activities.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">I am aware that the Town of Putnam Valley does not provide Accident Insurance.</p>			
Signature: _____		Date: _____	

Approved for Distribution & Website:

[Handwritten Signature]

Dr. Frances Wills, Supt. of Schools