

Putnam Valley Middle School Clubs

School Year 2017-2018

<u>Name of Club</u>	<u>Advisor(s)</u>	<u>Participants/Day/ Times</u>	<u>Description</u>
AR Club (Artificial Reality)	Mr. Gallo	Tuesday 2:40 – 4:10	This club is open to all 6 th , 7 th and 8 th graders. We will be using the new iPhone and iPad “AR” features to be released September 2017. We will be creating new apps and uses for your own artificial reality.
Art Club – Draw, Paint and Create!	Mrs. Sharp Mrs. Najda	Tuesday & Thursday 2:40 – 4:10	This club is open to all students. Students will create a variety of two and three-dimensional works of art. Members will use different materials and explore new techniques.
Board Game Club	Mrs. Dreessen	Friday 7:00 a.m.	This Club will be open to all 5 th and 6 th graders. We will meet Friday mornings before school. Students will play board games provided by the advisor or students may bring in their own games to play. We will meet in Room 201.
Book Club	Ms. Magneri Ms. Tripaldi	Monday-Gr. 5 & 6 Wednesday-Gr. 7 & 8	Book Club will provide an opportunity for students to read and discuss literature with their peers in a fun and open forum. Students will engage in meaningful conversations by participating in literature circles and Socratic seminars. Book choices will be provided for student to vote on. <i>(If students are interested in joining Book Club but are unable to attend the afternoon sessions, please see Miss Tripaldi as there will a morning session offered.)</i>
Dance Club	Ms. Diaz	Tuesday 2:40 – 4:10	This club is open to all PVMS students. The purpose of this club is to allow middle school aged students to participate in and learn dance steps and routines. The club will run from the end of September to the end of March with an end of the year program showcasing their routines. High School students will be facilitating and working with the middle school students.
Drama Club	Mrs. Craane Miss Kraus	After school, dates TBA	This club is open to all students but is audition-based. Auditions are held in late September/early October and rehearsals are as necessary after school. A schedule is given out every month with who is needed and when. If a student is not cast in the show, they have the opportunity to help out with the show on stage

			crew starting a month before the show.
Field Hockey Club	Mrs. Parchen	Monday 7:00 a.m.	This club is open to students in grades 5-8. The girls field hockey club will be held every Monday morning. The students will be instructed on basic field hockey skills and game play.
Go Green Club	Mr. Carlin	Wednesday & Thursday 7:00 a.m.	This club is open to all middle school students. On Wednesdays we recycle paper and on Thursdays we recycle bottles. This club teaches the importance of recycling to keep our school beautiful.
Guitar Club	Mr. Beucke	Monday 2:40 – 4:10 p.m.	Students can come to learn about playing guitar. All playing levels welcome, no experience necessary. Your own guitar is recommended, but not required.
Intramural Club	Mr. Coleman Mr. Gallo	Monday & Wednesday 7:00 a.m.	Students will be able to play a variety of sports.
iTeam Grade 7 & 8	Mrs. Sherwood	Monday 2:40 – 4:10 and /or Friday 7:00 a.m. Schedule will vary as needed.	Open to students in grades 7 & 8. If you are a 5 th grader or a 6 th grader and you are interested in joining this team, please see Mrs. Sherwood. You will need a recommendation to join this club. Limited space available. Members will share knowledge of Apple computers and other devices. Students will help support PVMS laptop and technology program by learning to troubleshoot, repair equipment and train students and staff on applications and hardware.
iVoice Club Gr. 7 & 8	Mrs. Sherwood	Tuesday 2:40 – 4:15 Meet generally on Tuesdays, but often changes based upon schedule and workload.	Open to students in grades 7 & 8. Members of the iVoice Club will have the opportunity to scout out events at the Middle School that we feel community members would like to know about. This team will photograph, film, edit and create presentations for the PVMS Community. Our work is seen on the PVMS main office hallway display board, school website, and in the lunchroom for student viewing.
Jazz Band Gr. 7 & 8	Mr. Beucke	TBA	For 7 th and 8 th graders who play in band in school. Musical styles include jazz, swing, blues, Latin, rock and funk. Rehearsals will be weekly after school.

Jazz Band Gr. 5 & 6	Mrs. Bennett	Thursday 2:40 – 4:15	For 5 th and 6 th graders who take Band in school. Musical styles include jazz, swing, blues, Latin, rock and funk. Rehearsals will be weekly after school.
Jewelry Making Club	Mrs. Johnson	Thursday 7:00 – 7:40 a.m.	This club is open to all student who enjoy making jewelry. Students will be provided the opportunity to learn and share new techniques to design jewelry using assorted knotting techniques and basic beading applications.
Knitting Club	Mrs. Plescia	Monday 2:40 – 4:10 p.m. Alternate Mondays Schedule will be provided at Club.	This club will provide all students with an introduction to the traditional craft of knitting. New knitters and beginners will be supported in this skill that reinforces eye/hand coordination, improves fine motor skills and provides opportunity for individual creativity. The skill of knitting also reinforces many Math topics such as basic computation skills, patterns and sequencing. Teamwork will be encouraged. A possible group project will include an afghan for charity created by individual knitted squares.
Lego Challenge Club	Mrs. Mahoney	Thursday 7:00 a.m.	Students will meet to use Legos to solve challenging problems. A new challenge will be presented each week.
Lego Creators Club	Mrs. Mahoney	Tuesday 7:00 a.m.	Students will meet to socialize and create with Legos. Legos will be provided.
Mural Club	Mrs. Najda Mrs. Sharp	Monday & Friday 7:00 a.m.	Students will create large size paintings on plywood or canvas board. All completed projects will be sent home. This club will be open to all students.
Newspaper Club	Mrs. Sharp Mrs. Plescia	Wednesday 2:40 – 4:15 Will meet every other Wednesday.	Newspaper Club reports middle school community news. The Club meets once a week to discuss events and topics to be covered. Students will conduct interviews, write articles and learn the basics of creating a school newspaper.
Plants, Produce and Preservation Club	Mrs. Reilly Ms. Sommer Mrs. Crill	Tuesday Alternating AM and PM A schedule will be provided.	The Garden Club is open to all students. Throughout the year we will explore outdoor and indoor gardening, plant identification and conservation through projects such as establishing and planting ornamental and vegetable garden beds at the Middle School. In addition, we will explore volunteer

			opportunities with the Granite Mountain Preserve in Putnam Valley. This club will include possible weekend excursions (Parents and families welcome!) dates, times and locations TBD.
Scenery Club Gr. 7 & 8	Mrs. Sharp	Spring TBA	Members will create stage props for the Drama Club performances. Meeting will begin a few weeks before the production (Spring 2018).
Student Council	Mrs. Cohen Mrs. Byrnes	Wednesday 7:00 a.m. in Room 212 or 212A Sept. 13 Oct. 4 Nov. 1 Dec. 6 Jan. 3 Feb. 7 Mar. 7 Mar. 28 May 9 June 6	Student Council gives students responsibility as well as a voice in how their school operates under the leadership and guidance of the elected 'Student Government' officials. Student Council members will aid the 'Student Government' officials in hosting various activities throughout the school year. The members of the Student Council help plan the Halloween Dance and will also have the opportunity to make a difference and give back to their community through community service activities. On Tuesday, October 3, 2017, we will have the Student Council elections. We will meet once a month on Wednesdays, before school at 7:00 a.m. in room 212. Students should attend the first meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2017, if interested in running for Student Government. All other students who would like to help out their school community by participating in student council are welcome to come to all meetings and do not have to run for Student Government.
Take 5 Club	Mrs. Casey	Wednesday 2:40 – 4:10 p.m.	Do you want to improve your focus and grades? Want to learn how to calm your mind? Looking to improve your overall wellness? In the Take 5 Club we will discuss the benefits of mindfulness and practice simple techniques such as breathing, meditation, and basic yoga. Mindfulness and meditation has been proven to increase a student's focus, grades, social-emotion skills, and overall well-being. The Take 5 Club is open to students of all grades levels in PVMS.
Trivia Club	Mrs. Byrnes Mr. Posch	Thursday 7:00 a.m. Sept. 14 & 28 Oct. 12-26 Nov. 9 & 30 Dec. 7 & 21 Jan. 11 & 25	Students will research and write trivia questions to be shared with fellow students during PVMS lunchtime Trivia competitions. We will meet twice a month on Thursdays before school at 7:00 a.m. in Room 212. All grades 5 – 8 are welcome!

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V.O.I.C.E.S. (Voices of Individuals Creating Environments that are Safe)	Mrs. McGowan Mr. Kane	Thursday 2:40 – 4:10 p.m. Every other week.	V.O.I.C.E.S. will provide a space for students to meet, support each other, talk about issues related to sexual orientation, gender, gender identity and expression, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, etc. The ultimate goal is to create the most inclusive and welcoming PVMS environment possible. We want to create a community of youth who can grow together in a safe place as well as work together to take positive action in their school community.
Yearbook Club	Mrs. Trchala	Friday 7:00 a.m. 1 st Friday of each month.	Students will work together to take part in all aspects of publishing a yearbook, such as organizing information, advertising, taking pictures, and making layout pages. Yearbook Club runs from September through April. The Club will meet the first Friday of the month. There will be additional meetings as necessary.

**PUTNAM VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Club and Activity Permission Slip 2017-2018**

Please complete the form below for **each club** you would like to join. Morning clubs begin at 7:00 A.M. and students may take the H.S. bus to school or be dropped off at 7:00 A.M.

In an effort to ensure we have adequate space for the afternoon buses, please list your 4:15 bus run number. Please keep in mind this is a loop run. **If you wish to pick up your student, you will need to arrive prior to 4:15. All students here at 4:15 will be getting on a bus.**

You can access your bus route on the Middle School website under Student/Parent Resources, click on your grade level and then again on Late Bus Runs info.

Please be aware that staff may cancel a club last minute. In this case you will be notified via PVMS daily announcements and/or connect Ed email message.

I give consent for

_____ ,

grade level _____, to participate in the

before/after school activity/club of

_____.

Our loop bus is run # _____.

Parent signature _____