



# Trending Now @ PGS

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**Important Links:** [PGS Website - Pine Grove School Website](#)  
[PGS PTO - PGS PTO Link](#) [PTO- Konstella](#)  
[Avon Public Library: Avon Public Library Resources](#)  
[Avon Public Schools Parent Student Handbook](#)

## From the Principals:

During times of conflict in the world, it is not uncommon for children to have questions when they see and hear information in many ways. As parents, it can be hard for us to determine just the right thing to say when our children ask for reassurance or are curious about what is happening. [Here](#) is a bank of resources that the State Department of Education has put out to guide families in supporting their children. We hope you find the links to articles helpful in considering ways to talk with your children if and when they have questions. If we can be of further help, don't hesitate to reach out.

We wish you all a peaceful weekend.

~Mrs. Borio and Mrs. Buckle

## [Avon District Calendar 2023-2024](#)



### PGS Minute

#### October

- 13 PTO Family Movie Night 6:45
- 16 PTO Fundraiser Pie and Cookie Sales Ends
- 16, 17, 19 Grade 4 Bike Safety
- 18 **Early Dismissal 11:50 Professional Development (wear orange)**
- 26 Picture Retakes & Makeup Day
- 29 PTO Trunk or Treat
- 31 Whole School Halloween Parade 9:15 am
- 31 Kindergarten Field Trip to High School 9:30 (more details to follow)

**School Lunches!** A reminder that school lunches are no longer offered at no charge to students. We encourage families who would benefit from financial assistance to fill out an application [HERE](#) for free and reduced lunch. We ask all families to check lunch balances to ensure that there are sufficient funds available for your child to purchase lunch.



**Early Dismissal:** On Wednesday, October 18 we will have dismissal at 11:50 am for Professional Development. Lunch will be served that morning. The choices are burgers or salads. **Breakfast is not served.**

**Emergency Early Dismissal Plans:** Please have a plan ready in the event that school is dismissed early. On most occasions early dismissals are scheduled in advance for such activities as parent conferences. However, emergencies do arise which causes the school to be dismissed early in the interest of safety with very little warning to parents. For example: if the school were to be without power or water, it may be necessary to dismiss school early. Please fill out the following form if your child(ren) plans are different from their ordinary dismissal plans.

[Emergency Early Dismissal Form](#)

## Reminder to wear orange on Unity Day, October 18, 2023!

Unity Day is an annual event occurring during National Bullying Prevention Month in October that promotes joining together to create healthier communities through kindness, acceptance, and inclusion.



**Picture Retakes & Makeup Day-** Picture retakes & makeups are on October 26. Please send in the photos you are returning with your child on that day. Also any child who did not have their photo taken on school picture day will have it taken. The website should open 2 weeks prior for ordering.



## PTO Pie and Cookie Dough

**Sales:** Hurry! The website closes on Monday, October 16, 2023.

Don't miss out! Please click on the following link to buy pies or cookie dough [Buy Pies Here](#) Don't forget to share the link with your family and friends! Pies need to be picked up on November 4.



**Trunk or Treat:** Sunday October 29, 2023 4:30 pm \$10 a parking spot. Please visit Konstella to purchase tickets. [Konstella](#)

**Halloween Day and Parade Info:** The whole school is invited to dress up on Halloween Day and participate in the parade at 9:15am. Parents are welcome to gather along the playground side of the building to view the parade. Costumes should be kid friendly and not include weapons at school.

