**View Ridge OTTER KNOW**  
**Tuesday, September 8, 2020**

### School Materials Pick-up/Drop-off

**Safety Guidelines for the Pick-up/Drop-off of Materials**

- During your scheduled time, access the pick-up area on the north (primary) playground.
- Every person wears a mask
- Give others 6 feet of space
- Non-staff are not allowed in the building. We will have your materials outside the gym on the primary playground with plenty of staff volunteers to guide you.
- In order to maintain safety protocols, please do not congregate on the playground afterwards
- Consider bringing your own pen to sign for technology
- We suggest you bring a backpack or hardy bag to carry items

**Schedule:**

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*There will also be a spot to return library books and any materials from last year.*

### Buddy Program

Looking for families to be buddies for new students!

Transitioning to a new school and meeting new friends can be challenging. We're hoping to help you through all of that with our VR Buddy Family program. This program is for any VR student and their families in grades K-5. Each family will, if interested, be assigned a buddy family with a child of the same gender & grade. It can be helpful to have someone to contact with questions about the myriad of details. There are many ways to connect virtually, let us know if you need ideas!

If you're new to View Ridge and you would like to be assigned a
buddy or if you are a current View Ridge Family and want to be connected to a new family, please email Sunshine Feldman, sunshinefeldman@live.com, and include parent's and children's names, incoming grade, gender, best phone number, and email address.

**Parent Volunteers**

This year will look different for parent volunteers. Many of the programs and events that utilize parent volunteers either are going to be handled way differently or might not happen this year. Our volunteer form in the First Day Packets will reflect some of those changes. When you complete for your form, feel free to either scan and email, or take a picture and email it to our Volunteer Coordinator. There are two new areas of need:

- Can you help with IT and tech support for teachers, classes, and/or students? This would relieve some of the burden on teachers and staff.
- Have a special skill or lesson to share with your child's class? Would you be willing to present to your child's class?

Please connect with our **Volunteer Coordinator, Sunshine Feldman**, sunshinefeldman@live.com

**PTA Meet & Greet, Tuesday, 9/15 7 - 8 pm**

Please join us for a PTA Meet & Greet on Tuesday, 9/15 from 7-8pm.

This will be a chance to put a face to the name of your PTA and connect with other parents. We would love to see you there!

**Topic:** PTA Meet & Greet  
**Time:** Sep 15, 2020 07:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)  

**Join** from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android:

**Link:** https://kindering.zoom.us/j/97358590488?pwd=cmExemtJN3BwaHdOLzRKbVZsbkI患Q09  
**Password:** Otters

**Meal Support for our Students and Families**

Meal supports are continuing as they did in the spring! Our closest locations are at Eckstein Middle School (3003 NE 75th St. Seattle, WA 98115) and Nathan Hale High School (10750 30th Ave. NE. Seattle, WA 98125).

For up to date information please go to the school district's site here:

[https://www.seattleschools.org/resources/student_meals](https://www.seattleschools.org/resources/student_meals)

If your family needs support, please contact our school Counselor, Joyce Cho, at jecho@seattleschools.org
The Otter Know is published during the school year once a week on Tuesday, with an Otter Know Update on Friday if needed. Articles for the Otter Know are due the Thursday before the Tuesday publication. Articles can be sent through [the website](#), or to the Communications Committee.