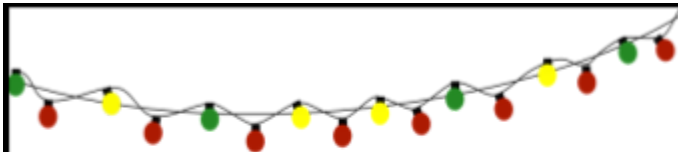




Lakeview Terrace Elementary Family Newsletter



December 3, 2018



Can you believe it is already December? November is always a little hectic with Veteran's Day, conferences, and Thanksgiving all packed into one month. We're looking forward to a couple of solid weeks of quality instruction for our students. However, we have a couple of things planned to help celebrate the season in a relatively calm manner.

Monday, December 17 Wear blue

Tuesday, December 18 Wear green

Wednesday, December 19 Wear red

Thursday, December 20 Wear holiday or crazy attire, sweaters, hats, socks, etc.

Friday, December 21 Wear pajamas for our movie day.

We will be watching Arthur's Christmas. This movie has a PG rating. You may watch the trailer on YouTube. Students will be divided in two groups, grades K-2 and grades 3-5 to show the movie in the gym. That is also Popcorn Friday, so kids will have a treat during the movie.

We will have another activity of choice in a different location for those who do not celebrate Christmas or for those whose parents do not want them to view Arthur's Christmas. Please let the office know by Friday, December 14 if your child will not watch the movie, but will be in school on Friday, December 21.

Thank you!

Our school board recently passed a new policy that prohibits homemade treats from school functions where students will be served. This includes holiday parties and birthday celebrations.



Thank you in advance for following this policy.



766-2653

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Sandy DeSisto.....Secretary
NikieAnn Smith.....Secretary
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| Dec 3 Late Start No Students Before 9:45 | 4 | 5 | 6 Art Garden 3:30-8:30 | 7 Winter Concerts A-K 10:00 L-Z 1:00 |
| 10 Late Start No Students Before 9:45 SANTA SHOP PTA Mtg 6:30 Library | 11 5th Grade Swimming | 12 5th Grade Swimming | 13 5th Grade Swimming | 14 5th Grade Swimming SANTA SHOP evening with SANTA! |
| 17 Late Start No Students Before 9:45 Wear Blue | 18 5th Grade Swimming Wear Green | 19 5th Grade Swimming Wear Red | 20 5th Grade Swimming Holiday/Crazy Attire | 21 5th Grade Swimming Wear Pajamas Popcorn Friday |
| 24 Winter Break | 25 Winter Break | 26 Winter Break | 27 Winter Break | 28 Winter Break |
| 31 Winter Break | Jan 1 Winter Break | 2 Winter Break | 3 Winter Break | 4 Winter Break |



Our K-kids, and elementary version of Kiwanis, will sponsor our annual food drive beginning December 5. Students are asked to bring in non-perishable food items to donate to the food bank. We will hold a classroom competition to help encourage participation. The classroom that brings in the most food will be awarded hot cocoa or hot cider and cookies during our movie on December 21.



If the weather is too cold or wet, staff will hang a red flag at the end of the school wings to indicate that recess will be held indoors. However, we do try to go outside whenever possible, so please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather. Thank you.

WINTER MUSIC CONCERTS

We are trying something new this year that we hope will be more convenient for our families, and help with overcrowding at our concerts. For our winter concert, all grades will perform twice, once in the morning and once in the afternoon. We hope that this eases the potential hardship of having to attend both sessions if families have more than one child at Lakeview.

We ask that families with the last names beginning with the letters A-K plan to attend the morning session at 10:00, and people with the last names beginning M-Z plan to attend the afternoon session at 1:00. If you absolutely cannot attend at the designated time, you may attend the other session.

Concert Date: Friday, December 7,
last name A-K is at 10:00,
and last name M-Z is at 1:00.



Santa Shop

Our PTA is once again running our Santa Shop. It will be open during lunch Monday, December 10 to Friday, December 14 in the library. The shop has many small items for kids to purchase for Christmas gifts to give their family and friends.

Thank you, PTA for giving our students this opportunity! If anyone would like to help with the Santa Shop, please call the school and the secretary will you though to the PTA voicemail.

On Thursday, December 6, Lakeview PTA will host a craft night fundraiser at the Art Garden on 3rd Avenue. Students and their families have an opportunity to create wonderful pottery crafts, maybe even Christmas gifts! A portion of the profits from the sales that night come back to Lakeview.

Thank you PTA and Art Garden!



**SCHOOL SAFETY:
A SHARED
RESPONSIBILITY**



We thank you for helping to keep our students and staff safe by checking into the front office before going into the school or campus.

Thank you also for cooperating with our district policy requiring anyone who works with kids in classrooms, on the playground, or on field trips to have passed a WSP background check.

From the Counselor's Desk
Rhonda Ebel, School Counselor



Be the Gift

One of the greatest pleasures of my job is working with your children. They are delightful and have so much to give. I hope you have an opportunity to enjoy them this season and remember that you are a gift to them and they are a gift to you. Sometimes a change of perspective is all we need to get through the challenges of a season. Here are some suggestions:

- Put all technology away for a period of time and do an activity together like playing a game, baking cookies, taking a walk, simply talking to one another
- When your child wants to engage in conversation look them in the eye and put down technology
- Be sure to give physical affection
- Play a cooperative game with the family
<https://cooperativegames.com/>
- Talk with your child about any schedule changes and connect when transitioning to new locations like parent drop off.
- Express emotion acceptably, labeling emotions to help children understand their feelings and yours. Use "I" messages to help with everyone's needs: "I feel _____ when you _____. I (wish, want, need) _____."
- Listen and empathize, taking time to understand the underlying concern. Usually it is something different than what is obvious and visible.
- Be present-we get 900 weeks with our children before they leave our homes, make the most of this time with the end goal of having a confident, self-reliant, young adult that is capable of doing life on their own.

Thank you for sharing your children with us. May you feel blessed during this season and know that I am here to answer questions, offer support, and connect with you as well. I may be reached at 766-2653 ext. 1391 or rebel@mlsd161.org



As winter approaches, it is important that kids have footwear appropriate for the weather. However, it is also important that they have the right shoes to participate in PE. Please make sure your child has athletic shoes on PE days. Thank you.



PTA Meeting
Monday, Dec. 10
6:30 in the Lakeview
Library.

We hope to
see you
there!

