

Lakeview Lancer

Lakeview Elementary Newsletter

December - January 2018



Letter From Principal Wheatley



Dear Lakeview Families,

As the Winter Break quickly approaches our teachers and students are working hard and focused on learning.

Congratulations to Lakeview’s 2018-19 Teacher of the Year, Kaitlin Johnstone!! Mrs. Johnstone is an amazing Kindergarten Teacher. This is Mrs. Johnstone’s second year at Lakeview. She taught first grade last year. Mrs. Johnstone is co-facilitator of Lakeview’s Kindness Club. She also has her own

business Kind Cotton, a t-shirt company that donates a book to a child in need for every t-shirt sold. Mrs. Johnstone is focused on academics in the classroom while modeling respectful and kind behavior for her students.

Congratulations to Lakeview’s 2018-19 School Related Employee of the Year, Allison Trandem. Mrs. Trandem is Lakeview’s Bookkeeper. She makes sure that she orders teachers materials as soon as possible and follows up with vendors if there is a problem. She’s organized and detail oriented. She has modeled being a team player to all of those around, and always has a positive attitude. She builds relationships with students, teachers, staff and families and finds a way to connect with everyone.

Our Mileage Club begins January 22, 2019. Mileage Club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school from 3:00-4:00pm. Students love this club! Students run/walk with friends in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade. Ms. Usman is working hard to get ready for our students to earn their marathon. I can’t wait to join our students and staff in getting some great exercise.

Have a wonderful Winter Break! I’ll see you in 2019!!

Fondly,
Mrs. Wheatley

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<http://sarasotacountyschools.net/schools/lakeview>

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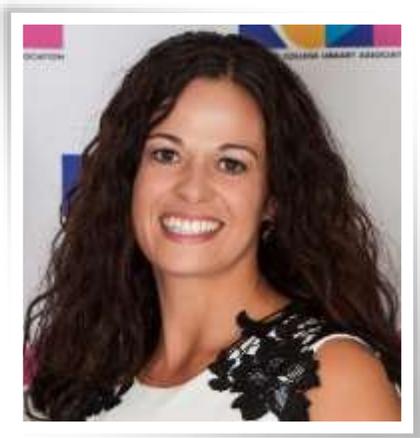
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PTO News

from Lakeview PTO President Joelle Steinhoff



Happy New Year from the PTO!

As December comes to a close let's take a moment to celebrate a successful end to our second quarter. Thank you to Nancy Ludwigsen and Tina Lennon for organizing and dedicating their time to make the pie sale fundraiser great. It was an awesome way to help our families celebrate the holidays while raising money for our school.

Also, a big thank you to Trisha Johnson, Jenny Kramer, Jen Elliott and the entire Holiday Luncheon & Staff Recognition Committees for making the staff holiday luncheon AMAZING!!

With the first half of the school year behind us let's recharge and commit to make the second half of the school year the best it's ever been. We have our biggest fundraiser of the year coming up on Thursday January 24th. The Boosterthon - Jogathon is a day you don't want to miss. Please join in on the fun of being a part of our team. You can get more details at the January First Friday PTO Meeting.

January:

- 11 First Fridays PTO Meeting (media center) 8:15am
- 14 Jogathon / Boosterthon Kick-Off
- 24 BOOSTERTHON!!!! & Student Recognition – Popsicle Treat
- 25 A-Team – 2nd Quarter Celebration (grades 2nd-5th)

Have a great day!

Joelle

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The Lakeview KINDNESS Club

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Our first initiative was extremely successful. We've collected over \$2,000 for those in Florida affected by Hurricane Michael. Two members of the kindness club: Kennedy and Avery Cole are going to Panama City to deliver the check to Bay Haven Charter Academy this weekend.

We wrote letters of appreciation to the veterans that attended Lakeview's Veterans Day program.

We also made ornaments, and cards for the residents of a local nursing home.

One of our next endeavors involves Oak Park school and the bridge that connects us. Our plan is to beautify the bridge with kindness rocks.

**Thank you Lakeview for your support,
Mrs. Theiler & Mrs. Johnstone**

Mileage Club

The main goal of the Mileage Club is to introduce walking and running activities to Kindergarten through 5th graders for wellness, fun, and friendship, regardless of fitness or athletic ability. There are many benefits to exercise. Students learn lessons in commitment, perseverance, hard work, integrity, and friendship. Physically, there are improvements in cardiovascular health, bone strength, and aids in weight control. Socially, children learn how to get along with others, develop friendships and work as a team. Academically, fit children perform better in school. Also, very important... exercise can be lots of fun.



Mileage Club Schedule: Tuesday and Thursday 3:00-4:00 p.m. Our first day of Mileage Club will start on **Tuesday, January 22, 2019** and will continue until **Thursday, March 14, 2019**. You may choose to come to one or both days.

New this year is the dismissal procedure for parent pickup. All students will be brought out to the Bent Tree Car loop by 3:55 PM. Security fence gates will remain locked. If you need to pick up your son or daughter before 3:55, you must go through the front office.

Payment required: **\$0**. If you'd like to donate to support Mileage club, please make check payable to Lakeview Elementary and return to your child's teacher in an envelope made to Ms. Usman's attention. We provide running incentives to students as they earn milestones, award medals to top runners at each grade level, and provide Marathon T-shirts to students who complete 26.2 miles. Special thank-you to Publix Charities, Manasota Track Club, and PTO for your continued sponsorship to make the cost free to all students.

Deadline to complete the on-line registration by computer or smartphone is 1- 11- 2019
Please type this into the address bar: <http://tinyurl.com/haxq3my>

We typically have over 300 runners participating. We **MUST** have volunteers to help run this program. We need help with tallying laps, punching lap cards, giving out prizes, assisting with sign in and sign out. You do not need to be a runner to volunteer, just a caring adult willing to help with a program that will benefit our children for a lifetime.
PLEASE COME JOIN IN THE FUN!

Please keep this sheet for your records.

Thank-you,

Khizran Usman, Mileage Club Sponsor

Email: khizran.usman@sarasotacountyschools.net

Handwritten signature of Khizran Usman.

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HOW MUCH SLEEP DO KIDS NEED?

AGE	SLEEP PER DAY
4-12 months	12-16 hours (including naps)
1-2 years	11-14 hours (including naps)
3-5 years	10-13 hours (including naps)
6-12 years	9-12 hours
13-18 years	8-10 hours

HOW DO YOUR KIDS WIND DOWN FOR BED?

Which one of these wind down activities can you commit to adding to your kids' nightly routine before you head to bed?

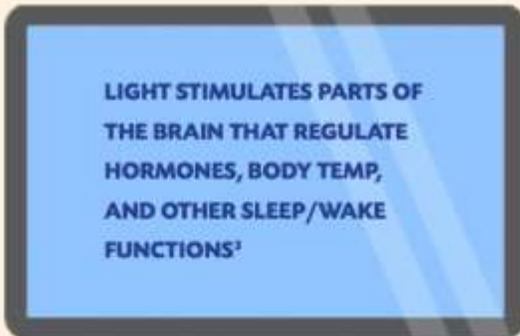
START BEDTIME ROUTINE AT THE SAME TIME EVERY NIGHT?

SET ALARM FOR THE SAME TIME EVERY MORNING?

PUT AWAY AND POWER OFF DEVICES?

DO CALMING ACTIVITIES THAT REMIND YOUR BODY IT'S TIME TO SLEEP

- TAKE A RELAXING BATH OR SHOWER
- READ A BOOK
- LISTEN TO RELAXING MUSIC
- PLAY A REPETITIVE GAME



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5th Grade News

from Kacie Nadeau and the 5th Grade team

Tis the season! With less than a week left in the quarter, it is hard to believe that 5th grade is nearly half over. We are incredibly proud of the consistent commitment to hard work, and such efforts are the necessary mindset for our soon to be middle schoolers. Thank you as always for being good role models and providing the invaluable support in making 5th grade so successful.

In Language Arts, students have continued practice with literary texts and focusing on how evidence is used to support themes and inferences, and how such key details build accurate and comprehensive summaries. We continue to refine our RACES writing, especially by how text evidence supports a topic and how we can explain this connection. In social studies, students are learning about how Spanish exploration shaped early efforts to colonize North America, and how the English, French and Dutch competed in this process. Building the historical context of early colonies provides awareness of economic, geographic, social, and political struggles framing the American Revolution.

In Math we are furthering our learning of all things fractions! We just finished learning how to add and subtract fractions/ mixed numbers with unlike denominators, and moving on to multiplying and dividing. Not only are we learning how to do this with the standard algorithm, but we are using models to justify our solutions! In Science, we are starting our learning of the solar system and beyond. In this unit, students will learn about so many things in our universe, such as, stars, galaxies, planets and other objects in our solar system like moons, asteroids, and meteoroids! We'll finish this exciting unit with a trip to the Riverview Planetarium in January!

Students have just completed their second i-Ready diagnostic in math and reading, and we will review this data to better understand our progress and set new goals for third quarter. As always, we are encouraging students to be present in class and with a growth mindset! All classroom activities are instructionally meaningful and attendance is our top priority. Your support in visiting the school and teacher websites, checking agendas, and staying connected to the parent portal, are much appreciated. We wish you the very happiest and healthiest holiday season!



5th Grade Parents – check out information on an upcoming “Transitioning to Middle School” coffee meeting on page 14.

4th Grade News

from Kristy Nichols and the 4th Grade team

It's unbelievable that we are almost half way through the school year! The students are working hard and gearing up for FSA testing. Our FSA Writing test will be April 2nd. We've been modeling, writing and editing opinion and informative essays that are based on ideas and text evidence found in passages and articles that the students read. Mark your calendars: FSA Reading will be May 1 and 2 and FSA Math will be May 6 and 7.

An exciting event that happened in December was our field trip to Spanish Point. Fourth graders learned about the first pioneers to settle in this region. We got to visit some original and replicated buildings and discussed what their life was like as they forged a new way of life on the east coast of Florida.

Another great learning opportunity that happened in December was our cooperative STEM activity where we teamed up with 2nd grade. We used cups to build the tallest Christmas tree possible. Our Lakeview students came up with some innovative ideas!

A big thank you to the Rotary Club of Sarasota for donating dictionaries to all of our 4th graders. They know that writing is a big part of this year for our students.

We hope you all have a wonderful holiday with your family, full of fun and relaxation.



3rd Grade News

from Mavis Seger and the 3rd Grade team

Hello Third Grade families! During the second quarter our students have been working very hard on our Reading and Math skills. A very important part of improving reading skills in Third Grade includes building stamina and fluency. But what does that mean for your child? *Reading stamina* is a child's ability to focus and read independently for long-ish periods of time without being distracted or without distracting others. Research shows that reading stamina will increase with the amount of time spent on quality reading. Below are some tips parents can do at home to help with building stamina.

- ✓ Make reading an enjoyable family activity that involves as many family members as possible.
- ✓ Remove distractions. Turn off televisions, radios and computers during reading time. Try to create a quiet environment.
- ✓ Encourage children to stay focused and “on task” during reading time. Building endurance requires staying on task. The child should avoid “wandering” and remain seated.
- ✓ Remember the “to, with, and by” rule. Make time to read to your child and with your child. Finally, the child needs time to read by himself/herself. If your child has difficulty reading alone, try reading every other page aloud to your child and gradually lengthen the independent reading time.

Remember, stamina does not happen overnight. But with consistent reading practice at home, it will certainly happen!

Thank you in advance for your support of your child’s education. Together we can form a partnership that will help your child be successful for the entire year!

Important upcoming dates to remember:

- December 20: Last day before Winter Break
End of the 2nd Quarter (12 AR points are needed, 18 for AWC classes)
- December 21: No school (Professional Day)
- January 7: Classes resume
- January 17: Field trip to the Van Wezel to see “Rosie Revere, Engineer”



2nd Grade News

from Victoria Theiler and the 2nd Grade team

Holiday concert and breakfast

We are looking forward to our annual second grade holiday concert and breakfast. We can't wait to sing and drink hot chocolate together with our families. Students can add to the holiday spirit by wearing a festive outfit or hat. We look forward to seeing our second-grade families at 8:45 a.m. in the cafeteria. The concert starts at 8:55 a.m., and we should be eating breakfast from 9:30-10:00 a.m.

The Second Grade Breakfast Club

Starting on January 7th, every second grader will receive a free nutritious breakfast to eat in the classroom every morning until the end of the school year. The Second Grade Breakfast Club is part of Lakeview's wellness initiative. In addition to the breakfast club, students will learn about the importance of eating a nutritious breakfast every morning. An intern from the food and nutrition services will visit our classrooms twice in January and February to teach us about the different food components that make up a healthy and delicious breakfast. We will also learn how breakfast gets our minds and bodies off to a great start in the morning.

Oak Park / Van Wezel Collaboration and Field Trips

Our partnership with Oak Park School began the week of December 9th when each second-grade class took a walking field trip to Oak Park to meet some new friends.

On January 17th we will take a field trip to Van Wezel to see a performance of Rosie Revere, engineer and sit alongside our new Oak Park friends. This show ties in perfectly with our STEM program as it focuses on architecture, science and engineering. It also emphasizes growth mindset as Rosie experiences the value of working hard, and that failure and challenging work will make you smarter.

For three weeks starting the week of January 27th, students will continue the walking field trips to Oak Park School once a week and work with teaching artists and Oak Park students collaboratively to write and produce their own play, puppet show, or art exhibit.

Families are invited to join us for the culminating exhibition/performance at Oak Park School on Tuesday, February 19th (tentative date, and exact times TBD). Field Trip slips will be sent home soon. This collaboration is funded by the Eluned and Edward Russell Foundation.

Have a wonderful, relaxing winter break, and don't forget to curl up with a good book!

1st Grade News

from Courtnee O'Shea and the 1st Grade team

Learning in the Classroom:

In English Language Arts (ELA) we continue identifying the main topic, key details, characters, setting, and events in a story. As well as reviewing proper punctuation and capitalization rules, learning about verbs (present tense), plural nouns, understanding sequence of events, using exclamation marks when writing sentences with excitement, practicing sight words, vocabulary words and spelling words (long i vowels). Our big theme for Reading Wonders is "Changes over Time" with the essential question; How do plants change as they grow? Also, we are continuing to master the writing process when responding to literature. The students also have been working on opinion writing.

In Math, we are finishing up with addition and subtraction strategies. In addition, we have completed our middle of the year math assessment for GOMATH.

In Science we completed our unit, Objects in the Sky and as a culminating activity we visited the Riverview Planetarium. We watched a phenomenal program, The Little Star That Could. This was about an average star that searched to find its name. It didn't feel very special until at the end of the story. The average star in fact was a very special star because it had nine planets to call its own. Next, we will be diving into Earth's Resources and Physical Science (Matter and Motion).

In Social Studies, we have finished our American History unit and look forward to learning about Dr. Martin Luther King JR. and beginning Geography. The students will understand map skills and cardinal directions.

i-Ready update: completion of diagnostic test 2 for reading and math.

Events in the classrooms:

Our Thanksgiving show was an enormous success! Not only did our students get to perform for family and friends, but they also held one special show for the entire school! On behalf of the first-grade team, we would like to extend a thank you to everyone who was involved; especially the parents who helped their children learn their lines! The month of December started off with many fun activities. Our first graders learned about different holidays around the world which included the countries; Australia, Canada, England, France, Israel, Italy, The Netherlands, and USA. During our unit of study, they created a passport, traveled along our world map, and learned about various cultures and traditions. Then, we focused on five classic holiday trade books (The Christmas Trolls, Sneezzy the Snowman, Moosletoe, The Grinch, and Polar Express). These books included a variety of learning activities in math, reading, writing, and creativity.

Learning at Home:

A big part of first grade is homework and reading. AR books should be coming home every day.

We are very proud of the many students reached their A.R. points and beyond for 2nd quarter. Please continue to encourage your child to read every night for at least 15 minutes. (A.R. point goal for the end of third quarter is 7 points for regular classes and 9 points for AWC classes.)

We are all so proud of the growth your children are making! Feel free to contact us with any questions you may have to help continue your child's academic success. Thank you for being your child's biggest supporter!!!

Kindergarten News

from Kaitlin Johnstone and the Kindergarten team

The Kindergarten classrooms have been working so hard preparing for our Holidays Around the World Show. They have had such fun learning about various cultures and traditions. All week, the different classrooms will be performing for their families! We hope to see you all here.

We also had an amazing STEM day with our 5th grade friends! We read the story The Gingerbread Man and each team had to build a bridge that would hold a gingerbread cookie without falling into the water. The kindergarteners absolutely loved working with 5th grade and we look forward to doing it again in the Spring!

Over the holiday please remember to read each night, practice sight words, and counting, as well as writing. Above all else, have a safe relaxing time with your family. We will see you all next year!

ESE Information

Gifted Information for Parents

For more information please visit the Sarasota County School Board Website:

sarasotacountyschools.net/departments/pupilsupportservices

DEADLINES:

- Deadline for parent to request screening 1/25/19
- Deadline to submit required documents to school for magnet program 4/26/19

Hello Lakeview Families! Do you have an ESE student (or just a struggling student) who spends countless hours on homework each night? If so, that means your child is probably missing out on much needed extracurricular activities and just time to relax. This leads to frustration and a student who may stop trying all together. Talk to your child's teacher about an appropriate amount of homework time. Then use a kitchen timer set for that allotted time and watch your child's effort and attention to task improve!

Science News

from Megan Wink

November and December were exciting months in Science. The top three 3rd, 4th and 5th graders from each homeroom advanced to our Lakeview Science Fair. We had many judges from around the county including Business Partners, Landings' Employees, Principals, teachers, and even retired teachers anonymously judging our boards. With great pride, our winners are listed below.



5th Grade

- 1st Place Kiki Labracque
- 2nd Place Team: Brooke Bogart & Logan Schaub
- 3rd Place Team: Kate Landry, Justin Garcia & Alexis Betz
- 4th Place Macaidan Brown

4th Grade

- 1st Place Team: Dakota Warth & Milana Lesnik
- 2nd Place Team: Stavi Xinidis, Evan Buttle & Luke Buttle
- 3rd Place Emma Bird
- 4th Place Derek DellaVecchia

3rd Grade

- 1st Place Brooke Shurtleff
- 2nd Place Avianna Hameed
- 3rd Place Chase Hollibaugh
- 4th Place Kate Reardon

The following students will be joining our winners based on merit:

- Blake Kramer
- Team: Kinley & Hadley Thompson
- Team: Joseph & Luke Calleja
- Cara Cohn
- Team: Holly Wise, Chloe Steinhoff & Leah Koehl
- Luca Bosman

To celebrate the students hard work, our fourth annual Lakeview Science Night was a huge success. Those who attended enjoyed a Mystery Microscope Challenge, a Science Fair Board Scavenger Hunt, the Coding Corner, and even Lego Mindstorm Robots. Thank you to all those who attended. Let's wish our Lancer Scientists the best of luck at our Sarasota County STEM Fair on January 31st!!

Check out more pictures from Science Night on the next page.





Coffee with the Counselor

Transitioning to Middle School

January 16, 2019

8:30 am - 9:15 am

Lakeview Elementary Media Center

Please join us on Wednesday, January 16th for a cup of coffee and the opportunity to meet guest speakers Stacey Loos (Assistant Principal) and Jackie Mills (ESE, Gifted Liaison) from Sarasota Middle School. Don't miss this opportunity to learn about Sarasota Middle School, the programs they provide, and how to help your child transition successfully.

Hope to see you there.

RSVP: Debra.Veldkamp@sarasotacountyschools.net



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