

Lake Ann Elementary

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Michigan Department of Education Reward School “Beating The Odds”

APRIL CALENDAR

Mon. April 3	School Resumes
Wed. April 5	PRIDE Assembly @ 9:10
Thurs. April 6	PTA Mtg. 4:30pm
Thurs. April 6	2017 / 2018 Kindergarten Parent Information Meeting 6:30pm - Library
Thurs. April 6	9:20am High School Band
Fri. April 7	Popcorn / Pickle Friday
Fri. April 7	3 rd Marking Period Ends
Mon. April 10	Robotics Assembly 1:30pm
Mon. April 10	School Board Mtg. 7pm
Wed. April 12	Robotics Parent Night 6:30
Fri. April 14	NO SCHOOL – Good Friday
Tues. April 18	3 rd through 5 th grade Musical @ H.S. Auditorium 7:00pm
Wed. April 19	Earth Day
Thurs. April 13	Report cards sent home
Thurs. April 20	LA Kindergarten Round Up
Fri. April 21	Popcorn / Pickle Friday
Tues. April 25	‘4 Girls’ 4-6pm
Wed. April 26	Character Café – 9:30am

Thank you!

Lake Ann gives a big thank you to Mr. Bruce for donating pizza and Mrs. Norman for the pop and icecream for our Respectful Students Pizza Party. All month long students were recognized for respectful behavior. Staff distributed gold tickets to students when they observed respectful behavior. When students received a ticket, they signed the Respectful Student Poster in the lobby and entered into the pizza party drawing.

TIME FOR:

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Any parent who has a child that will be five years old by September 1st is eligible. Please pass the word to your friends and family.

Age Waivers available

Important Dates for Your Calendar:

Parent Information Night

Thursday, April 6th

6:30pm – Lake Ann Library

Kindergarten Round-Up

Thursday, April 20th

Please call the school office at 275-7730 to schedule your child's appointment.



Character Café:

MARCH -

Mr. Hood – Carson Vincent

Ms. Pfeuffer – Patrick Davis

Ms. Dodge – Madisyn Gauthier

Mrs. Roper – Lorelei Thomet

Mrs. Titze – Hannah Bott

Mrs. Wing – Annabelle Grose

Mr. Milne – Serenity Dalzell

Mrs. Lyons – Cosette Jaquish

Mrs. Pettengill – Louie Alpers

Mrs. Slade – Madison Stewart



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Mission Statement:

The mission of the Lake Ann Elementary School is to create a positive, safe, and caring environment that promotes high levels of academic performance, builds personal responsibility, develops cooperation and fosters an appreciation of learning within members of our school community.

Benzie Central Sinking Fund – VOTE May 2nd!

The Benzie Central Schools will have an item on the ballot for voter consideration on the upcoming May 2nd Election. We will be requesting a 0.9 Mill “Sinking Fund” which will be utilized for improvement of infrastructure, student safety and security, and ongoing upgrading and replacement of technology. Monies generated by the sinking fund will go toward such projects as repaving of parking lots, replacement of boilers and HVAC systems, roof replacement, and many more needed items.

The sinking fund is ultimately part of a long term plan being developed by a community committee looking toward the future of Benzie Central Schools. Recommendations from this committee include looking toward new construction in the future to ultimately replace our two oldest buildings and make major renovations to the High School/Middle School, Betsie Valley, and Lake Ann Elementary buildings. Plans are not yet finalized, and we will be seeking further input and ideas as they develop.

We greatly appreciate your consideration and encourage you to exercise your right to VOTE May 2nd.

How Much Will It Cost? .9 Mill Increase 10 Years – Generates \$700,000 Each Year

<i>Market Value</i>	<i>Taxable Value</i>	<i>Annual Increase</i>	<i>Monthly Increase</i>
\$50,000	\$25,000	\$22.50	\$1.88
\$75,000	\$37,500	\$33.75	\$2.81
\$100,000	\$50,000	\$45	\$3.75
\$125,000	\$62,500	\$56.25	\$4.69
\$150,000	\$75,000	\$67.50	\$5.63
\$175,000	\$87,500	\$78.75	\$6.56
\$200,000	\$100,000	\$90	\$7.50
\$250,000	\$125,000	\$112.50	\$9.38

LOST & FOUND

Parents please have your child(ren) look through our lost and found. Or stop in to take a look for yourself. We have accumulated a lot of stuff. Everything will be taken to Goodwill at the end of the day on Thursday, April 13th.



Reading Month

Lake Ann staff and students enjoyed the entire month of March, thanks to the READING MONTH planning team. Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Roper, Ms. Pfeuffer, Mrs. Titze and Mrs. Wing prepared many activities, contests and dress up days to keep the focus on READING! Activities included a weekly "Guess the Country" board with a new clue posted daily. Music from the mystery country was played in the cafeteria during lunches. Most students had it figured out by Friday each week! Another contest was a "Bracket of Authors", which was won by Dr. Suess.

The month began with a celebration of Dr. Suess's birthday, complete with cake for everyone! Each class set a reading goal for the month and worked diligently toward that goal. The final week featured "Read Around the World", with students rotating through 3 countries, Japan, Mexico and Egypt. Guest readers shared a book with a connection to each country. Then students participated in an activity or made a craft from that country. These visits were really fun! Thank you Mrs. Roper for planning them!!



The most popular fun days were the dress up days: (Crazy) Socks, Fancy Dress Up, Hats, Cats, Team Jerseys, Super Heroes and Favorite Book Character days made Lake Ann a pretty wild and crazy place. We appreciate everyone's participation in this annual event that carries us into spring.

Notes from the Music Room

Spring is here, and so is the annual Spring Elementary Music Program. Students in grades third through fifth will be performing Science Fair Spectacular for friends and family on Tuesday, April 18th at 7:00pm in the High School Auditorium.



Kindergarten through second grade will also be performing a Spring Music Program – It's A Hit and that will take place on Tuesday, May 2nd at 7:00pm in the High School Auditorium.

Students should report to the Auditorium no later than 6:45pm on the evening of the concert. Students were assigned parts this week and were given a letter describing what they should wear. We hope to see all of you there.

PARKING

For the safety of ALL our children, PLEASE use the parent parking lot on the west side of the school. Our bus drivers have been dealing with several vehicles that park in front of the school. The only exception to this is if you are picking up or dropping off your child between **9:30am and 3:00pm.**

The second plea is to park in the lot and **NOT** at the curb. Parents need to be able to pull up to drop off and pick up students on the sidewalk. Cars that park at the curb force students to walk between them, creating a very dangerous situation.

THANK YOU for helping to keep our children safe!

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our positive behavior winners. Students were recognized for being Safe, Respectful, and Responsible. For their reward they received a Lake Ann Timberwolf Dog Tag.

February winners were:



Eli Kuenzer, Evelyn Roeder, Riley Cox, Ella Jolitz, Levi Torongo, Jason Mummey, Cayden Tabbert, Carmella Julian, Kaydin Worley, Shay Running, Emma VonBuskirk, Carson Decker, Finn Smith, Evie Jacobson, Patrick Milne, Dallas Summers, Olivia Francis, Tristen Kenney, Santiago Gregorio, Lily Grandstaff, Sully Summers, Jacob Switzer, Kyle Mahan, Isabella Marranta, Brianna Smith, Archie Katt, Annie Ottenbacher.