



# Lake Ann Elementary

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## Michigan Department of Education Reward School “Beating The Odds”

# 450lbs

Lake Ann students should be proud of the very successful food drive that was held this mid-November. The students brought in products daily to end up with a total of 450 pounds.

Congratulations to Eli Kuenzer as his name was drawn for the Toys R Us gift card – happy shopping Eli.



Pictured above: Kristina Bott – Eli Kuenzer – Patrick Davis



### Did you know??

**A note works much better for absences or permits to leave!!**

To help us with the volume of phone calls and to assist in getting your student to you in a timely manner, please send a note in the **morning** with your student if you will be picking them during the day. Notes should be taken to the **office** by your student first thing in the morning. Thank you so much for your cooperation.

### DECEMBER CALENDAR

Wed. Dec. 7	Pride Assembly 9:10am
Thurs. Dec. 8	PTA mtg. 4:30pm
Mon. Dec. 12	School Board Mtg.–7:00pm @ Middle School
Tues. Dec. 13	Craft Frenzy
Wed. Dec. 14	Craft Frenzy
Tues. Dec. 20	Benzie Schools Community Forum - 7pm @ Benzie Central Auditorium
Wed. Dec. 21	Character Café – 9:30
Thurs. Dec. 22	Lake Ann Holiday Family Get Together 11am 11:50am Dismissal

**Thurs. 22 Christmas Break  
starts at end of the school day  
Tues. Jan. 3 – School Resumes**

### Easy To Access School Menu:

Benzie Central Schools, in partnership with Chartwells, is using Nutrislice to publish the school menus to an interactive website and a free smartphone app.

You can access the menu (by computer) by going to the school’s website, clicking on your school, then the Nutrislice icon. You can also access the menu through your smartphone. Download the Nutrislice App. This interactive menu allows you to make smart choices by looking at nutritional data, which includes common food allergens, carb and calorie counts





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Dear Parents,

Even in the cold winter months, we believe outdoor recess is an important and valuable part of the student's day. With that in mind, we ask that you consider the temperature and weather conditions when assisting your child with clothing for the day. There may be times when the weather is deemed too cold for outdoor recess. We make that determination on a daily basis, but please remember that on most days we will have outdoor recess even if it is for an abbreviated time.

All students go outside unless they have a doctor's note - parent notes are not accepted. All students go outside for recess unless it is colder than 0 degrees (actual or wind chill).

We do not have enough staff to offer outside and inside recess to students. This is a DISTRICT Requirement at all 4 elementary buildings. It is not something that just happens at Lake Ann. It is the rule at all schools in the district and has been for a number of years.

Every child is required to wear five items of winter gear for recess:

1. Gloves/mittens
2. Winter hat
3. Winter coat
4. Snow pants
5. Snow boots

If students do not have all 5 items they will still be allowed to go outside for the 15 minute recess, but will not be allowed to play on the equipment or in the snow. This is NOT to punish the students for not having all their gear. This is to prevent them from getting their clothes wet and having to sit in cold wet clothes all day. They will stand by the building wall which keeps them out of the wind. They will still be allowed to socialize with their peers. We will obviously not send students out without a coat or hat. We have unclaimed items in the lost and found and donated items that they can borrow.

We realize that temperatures in our buildings may vary, so dressing in layers is a good practice. In addition, please label coats, gloves, hats, scarves, etc. as these items of clothing go missing. Take the time to check out the Lost and Found, as we have a large number of items at this time of year.

If you have any comments or concerns about these guidelines, please call the principal to discuss it. We are a very kind-hearted and passionate team of individuals and we are happy to sit with you at any time to discuss any concerns you may have. Thank you for your attention and continued support and stay warm!

Deb Norman, Principal

## ***BENZIE CENTRAL SCHOOLS - COMMUNITY FORUM***

**Topics:** School Funding – Infrastructure – Academic Achievement – Long Term Planning – Mission & Vision

**Who:** All residents of Benzie Central School District are welcome to attend

**Format:** There will be an opening presentation followed by a segment dedicated to questions and answers

**When:** December 20<sup>th</sup> 2016 @7:00pm

**Where:** Benzie Central Auditorium

**Web Address:** [www.benzieschools.net](http://www.benzieschools.net)

**Important  
Notice**

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## HONOR ROLL - First Marking Period

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – All A's

Fisher Bruce, Julia Herman, Nolan Roper, Brianna Smith, Madison Stewart

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – All A's and/or B's

Lewis Alpers, Taylor Bluhm, Gwynevere Bowman, Alivia Frederick, Samantha Grant, Madison Grose, Emmett Jaquish, Alexis Klockziem, J.J. Koscielski, Madison Lardie, Joseph Morse, Jacob Switzer,

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – All A's

Trapper Holmes, Cheyenne Lyons, Lorin McNeil

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – All A's and/or B's

Hunter Davidson, Owen Durga, Jayden Ewing, Lily Grandstaff, Nathan Higgins, Paige Kaple, Grace Koscielski, Zander Pettengill, Ashley Simmons

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – All A's

Tessa Buday, Serenity Dalzell, Landon Harris, Camryn Lardie, Mariah Rohelia

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – All A's and/or B's

Janey Anderson, Hannah Bott, Robert Brown, Hunter Cox, Sarena Hallums, Cass Hasenmyer-Becker, Takoda Hitman, Bodyn Holmes, Calvin Houghton, Corey-Sean Lindsey, Violet Mayville, Saige McKenzie, LaDamien Miller, Jesse Mummey, Amaya Roper, Jackson Schaub, Dallas Summers, Brody Switzer, Kendal Tacktor, Nathan Tennant



## BOX TOPS UPDATE

- A million thanks to our wonderful volunteers who helped with our Fall submission for Box Tops. We appreciate your help!
  - Amber Hughes, Megan Schaub, Kathleen Herman, Nicki Brown, Brooke Beardslee, Marla Yoder, Danielle Switzer and Amber Pomper
- Our Nov. 2 submission total was just over 3000, or approximately \$300. Thank you Lake Ann families!
- Mrs. Wing's class brought in a whopping 465, thus earning them special school-wide recognition and a chance to host the Box Tops traveling trophy. They will also be enjoying a treat of appreciation.
- Special shout out to Amara Cambric for bringing in 200 box tops. Way to Go!
- Our winter classroom contest will run through January. Please keep those box tops coming in. Please watch for updates.



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## FALL NWEA GOAL GETTERS – CONGRATULATIONS!

### Reading

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Carson Decker, Ava Higgins, Patrick Milne, Olivia Plamondon, Keelin Rineer

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Hannah Bott, Aiden Carter, Serenity Dalzell, Sarena Hallums, Landon Harris, Cass Hasenmyer-Becker, Camryn Lardie, Jesse Mummey, Mariah Rohelia, Jackson Schaub, Jarred Smith, Brody Switzer, Nathan Tennant, Kyle Vincent

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Hunter Davidson, Owen Durga, Lily Gandstaff, Nathan Higgins, Trapper Holmes, Cosette Jaquish, Cheyenne Lyons, Lorin McNeil, Zander Pettengill, Ashley Simmons

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Lewis Alpers, Taylor Bluhm, Gwyni Bowman, Fisher Bruce, Matthew Duncan, Matthew Hamminga, Julia Herman, Emmett Jaquish, J.J. Koscielski, Madison Lardie, Isabella Marranta, Joe Morse, Lucas Morrison, Annie Ottenbacher, Raven Parker, Nolan Roper, Brianna Smith, Madison Stewart, Jacob Switzer, Grace Tulgetske



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Ava Higgins

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Landon Harris, Kyle Vincent

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Hunter Davidson, Owen Durga, Nathan Higgins, Trapper Holmes, Cheyenne Lyons, Sullivan Summers

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Gwyni Bowman, Emmett Jaquish, Brianna Smith, Madison Stewart, Jacob Switzer

## ART NEWS:

First of all, I would like to thank you for sharing your wonderful children with me in art class every week! They have been an absolute joy to work with. I would like to thank everyone who placed an order with Mountain Colors for our art fundraiser \$145.00 to spend on art materials between the two schools.



Here is a brief overview of the skills we have been working on in each grade.

Kindergarten - Line, shapes and rainbow colors

1<sup>st</sup> Grade - Primary colors, Henri Matisse and Piet Mondrian

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Secondary colors, horizon line, foreground, middleground, and background

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - Warm and cool colors, horizon line, foreground, middleground, and background

4<sup>th</sup> Grade - Complementary colors, positive and negative space, contour lines

5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Monochromatic colors, positive and negative space, contour lines

The children's artwork from the past quarter is hanging up in the hallways at school if you would like to see it on display. It looks absolutely wonderful. Please feel free to call me with any questions or concerns. I am at Lake Ann on Monday and Tuesday - (275-7730), and Betsie Valley Wednesday and Thursday - (378-4164).

Sincerely, Rebecca Travis



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## CHARACTER CAFÉ NOVEMBER - COURAGE

Congratulations to:



- Mr. Hood - Quinton Katt
- Ms. Pfeuffer - Ashlyn Hughes
- Mrs. Roper - Jason Mummey
- Ms. Dodge - Eddie Pickard
- Mrs. Wing - Alex Beardslee
- Mr. Milne - Gage King
- Mrs. Titze - Kyle Vincent
- Mrs. Lyons - Owen Durga
- Mrs. Pettengill - Mason Klockziem
- Mrs. Slade - Matthew Hamminga

## WAY TO GO!

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

### October Winners:

- Mya Bourland, Lucas Lint, Hannah Herman, Alayna Ottenbacher, Kayden Marranca, Ella Jolitz, Ashlyn Hughes, Ruben Franke, Camryn Lardie, Jesse Mummey, Isabella Marranca, Andrew Mckenzie, Alexis Klockziem, Karlee Harris, Owen Durga, Kelsey Harris, Eli Johnson, Rachel Bishop, Jason Peltier, Taylor Bluhm

## CRAFT FRENZY -

Craft Frenzy is looking for a few donations. Below is a list of items we are in need of for the Annual Craft Frenzy! Craft items were picked at our meeting last week. Please look around your house for any items you would be willing to donate. You can bring them in or send them in with your child by Friday, December 9th.

Thank you. Any questions call Kasha Houghton (678)897-7341.

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| Candy canes             | Paper Plates      |
| Jumbo Craft Sticks      | Pink / Black Felt |
| Puffy Paint (white)     | Glitter Glue      |
| 2" skinny twigs         | Q-tips            |
| Orange/Black Paint Pens | Craft Glue        |
| Baby Socks w/ Pattern   |                   |

## THANK YOU

A Huge thank you goes out to Julian Concrete for donating 160 pounds of salt for our sidewalks.

Staff and students really appreciate your generous donation.



