



Lake Ann Elementary

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Michigan Department of Education Reward School
“Beating The Odds”

550lbs

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 550 pounds that was donated to the Benzie Food Partners.

Congratulations to Wyatt Widrig and Sam Thiel as their names were drawn for the Fun Lunch with the Principal.

Friday 21st Christmas Break starts at end of the school day

Monday Jan. 7th – School Resumes

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Mon. Dec. 3	3 rd gr Boys / Girls Bball 4-5:15 4 th gr Girls Bball 5:15-7
Tues. Dec. 4	Craft Frenzy Milne's OM 4-5:30 5 th gr Girls Bball 4-5:30
Wed. Dec. 5	Pride Assembly Craft Frenzy 3 rd gr Boys Bball 4-5:15 4 th gr. Girls Bball 5:15-7
Thurs. Dec. 6	5 th gr Girls Bball 4-5:30
Fri. Dec. 7	Popcorn Friday
Mon. Dec. 10	3 rd gr Boys / Girls Bball 4-5:15 4 th gr Girls Bball 5:15-7 School Board Mtg.–7:00pm
Tues. Dec. 11	Milne's OM 4-5:30 5 th gr Girls Bball 4-5:30
Wed. Dec. 12	3 rd gr Boys Bball 4-5:15 4 th gr. Girls Bball 5:15-7
Thurs. Dec. 13	PTA Mtg. 4:30 5 th gr Girls Bball 4-5:30
Fri. Dec. 14	Popcorn Friday Movie Night
Tues. Dec. 18	Character Café 9:30am Milne's OM 4-5:30
Fri. Dec. 21	Lake Ann Holiday All School Holiday Sing 11:50am Dismissal

CHARACTER CAFÉ - NOVEMBER - DEDICATED



Congratulations to:

Mr. Hood - Sam Harris
 Mrs. Nowak - Lucas Miller
 Mrs. Roper - Jaxon Abeyta
 Mrs. Stephens - Walker Durga
 Mrs. Wing - Stas Katt

Mr. Milne - Finn Smith
 Ms. Pfeuffer - Hollis Bell
 Mrs. Lyons - Natalie Martinez
 Mrs. Vanderlinde - Kael Fay
 Mrs. Pettengill - Jaden Running

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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.



MRS. TITZE'S TIPS

Looking for some new ways to practice spelling words with your children? Here are some suggestions to add to your “toolbox” and always remember to KEEP IT FUN!

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1. **Tic-Tac-Toe** - Have each player use an 'X' or 'O' but in order to place a mark on the board, she has to spell a word correctly.
 2. **Spelling Puzzle**: Make homemade mini puzzles by writing each word in large letters on an index card and then have you child cut each card apart. Have fun practicing this week's words by putting the puzzles back together.
 3. **Spelling Stairs**: Write the words as if they are stairs, adding one letter at a time.
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 4. **Flip and Rainbow Write**: Make a spelling word card for each spelling word. One at a time, flip over a word card and have your child write the flipped word. He can go through the rainbow, painting or writing each word flipped in rainbow colors. Make the first word red, second orange, third yellow, etc., OR write each letter of each word in a color of the rainbow.
 5. **Video Record**: Pull out your camera and take a video of your child spelling this week's spelling words. Have him/her put on a funny hat, dress-up, or use a silly prop to add to the fun.
 6. **Fill-in-the-Blank**: Write each of the week's spelling words on a piece of paper, but leave out letters and put a blank (or two) in each word. You child will need to figure out what letter is missing (based off of his word list).
 7. **Hangman**: A fun “blast from the past!” Play Hangman to practice spelling words. If you don't know how to play, check out Grandparents.com
 8. **Word Scramble**: Write each of your child's words for the week in scrambled, mixed-up order and have your child rewrite them in the correct order.
 9. **Salt writing**: Using a cookie sheet and a container of salt, have your child practice writing her spelling words in the salt. Save the salt in a ziploc bag to use gain another time.
 10. **Watercolor Spelling**: Let your child paint his weekly words using watercolors. Watercolor sets can be found at dollar stores and make for an easy clean-up.



HONOR ROLL - First Marking Period



5th Grade – All A's

Mason Gay, Calvin Houghton, Landon Harris,
Amaya Roper, Jackson Schaub

5th Grade – All A's and/or B's

Hanesis Bell, Serenity Dalzell, Camryn Lardie, Corey Lindsey,
Jesse Mummey, Shawn Parker, Jaden Running, Kendal Tacktor,
Hannah Bott, Robert Brown, Tessa Buday, Hunter Cox, Adam Coyne,
Kael Fay, Bodyn Holmes, Violet Mayville, Brody Switzer, Kyle Vincent

4th Grade – All A's

Alta Alpers, Keelin Rineer, Lucy Thiel, Quincy Bruce, Carson Decker,
Ava Higgins, Patrick Milne

4th Grade – All A's and/or B's

Abbigail Lentz, Joseph Abeyta, Jacob Jewell, Natalie Martinez, Fallon Pangborn,

3rd Grade – All A's

Hollis Bell, Jack Genovese, Kelsey Harris, Harper Hebel, Victor Johnson,
Leeland Kuhlen, Alayna Ottenbacher, Micaela Coates,
Tyler McNeil, Lorelei Thomet

3rd Grade – All A's and/or B's

Carlee Burdick, Lyla Culbertson, Willow Dean, Brooke Gwinn, Tala Hitman,
Layla Jacobson, Wyatt Jaquish, Eli Johnson, Carmella Julian, Jetta Kelly,
Jacob Koscielski, Kyleigh Robideau, Kian Fay, Mackenzie Smith, Austin Switzer,
Noah Dase, Madisyn Gauthier, Kiana Hasenmyer, Sarah Heuser,
Kaitlyn Kaple, Alexa Smith, Wyatt Wooden



PARENT REMINDER

If your financial situation changes anytime during the school year you are always welcome to apply for free or reduced lunch status. You can do this by going on line on our Benzie website to fill out the lunch application or request one be sent home with your child.

Currently, breakfast is free for all elementary students, lunch costs \$2.85, and reduced lunch costs 30 cents



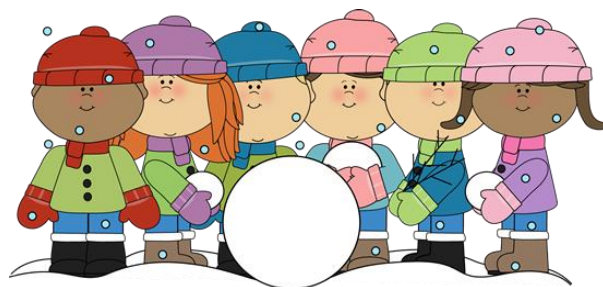
CRYSTAL MOUNTAIN SCHOOL SKI PROGRAM

It's that time of the year. If you are interested in participating in the Crystal Mountain School Ski program please sign up online at crystalmountain.com. Please let Lake Ann office know if your child will be participating so we will have a list of participants. Any questions please feel free to call the school at 275-7730.

DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 14th

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 3 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!

Larry Haughn, Principal

BOX TOP UPDATE

Thank you for a successful fall Box Top collection! Our next collection will be the week we come back from winter break, January 7 – 11, 2019. Please rally friends and family to look for those Box Tops in their holiday baking! Box Top Moms, please be ready to collect your box tops from the classroom teachers on the week of January 14th and due back to me by January 21st. If you have any questions, please send me a text at 231-883-9523. Happy collecting!

Nicki Brown, Lake Ann Elementary Box Top Coordinator