



The Leopard Link



Principal's Corner

Good Morning Lead Mine Leaders and Learners.

What a fantastic few FULL weeks of school we have had recently. Thank you to everyone for working to make every minute count this year as we have worked to keep everyone safe. As you may have heard it is our goal to **Be Safe**, **Be Kind**, **and Be a Leader** each day at Lead Mine.

Last week during our Positivity Project Lessons - students learned and shared what it means to demonstrate **Open-Mindedness** at school and throughout our lives. People who demonstrate high levels of Open-Mindedness are open to new ideas and trying new things. These people also examine things from all sides, taking their time and typically do not jump to conclusions. Check in with you child to see what else they learned during their week of Open-Mindedness.

We would like to thank all of our families who came out last Monday evening and attended our **2018 Open House**. We love inviting families into their child's classrooms being able to see what things look like on a regular basis and to learn about the amazing classroom communities that are being built throughout the building every day. We are working to develop a different structure for 2019 that will include being part of a demonstration lesson at your child's grade level, participating in a morning meeting, etc. It is our goal that families experience what a great experience your leopards are having each day at Lead Mine.

This past Saturday was **Grounds Day** at Lead Mine and what a difference our Parent Volunteers made on the safety, appearance, and health of our school campus. We are so appreciative of the parents, students, grand-parents, and siblings who came out to move mulch, hedge bushes, trim trees, chip debris, edge sidewalks, and make other improvements throughout our campus. We will have one more opportunity for families during our 2nd Grounds Day later this school year.

The Lead Mine birthday book giveaway is well underway and we are so excited to be able to provide this opportunity to everyone. Lisa Genschel has been amazing in organizing the vision, selecting the books to purchase, organizing and decorating the room, and being on campus every day this year to ensure that children are greeted and given an opportunity to tour the birthday book room with a personalized tour. If you see Ms. Genschel on or off campus, please thank her for her service to our students and school community.

Tuesday, October 16th is our **2018-2019 Math and Science Night**. Families are invited to Lead Mine that evening from 5:30 PM until 7:00 PM to go into classrooms of every grade level and engage in Science activities that are aligned to the standards that are being presented to students in those assigned grade levels each day. This experience is free flowing, when families arrive they begin their own self-guided experience tours and collect punches in each classroom. Students who can turn in punch cards at the end of the event for a scientific 'take-away'. Our PTA is offering dinner for pre-sale for anyone interested, please look for the order form in the Leopard Link.

Our 1st ever **Leopard Laps Run** is underway. Our PTA is working hard to ensure that 100% of their fundraising efforts go directly to Lead Mine Elementary, and that we are encouraging students and families to participate with meaningful incentives. I am looking forward to having lunch with lots of little leopards as we work to achieve our fundraising goals.

Remember to follow us on Twitter to see so many of our fantastic students engaged in dynamic learning experiences each day at Lead Mine. <u>@Aaronmarcin</u> and <u>@Lead Mine</u>)

We look forward to seeing you all soon,

Aaron Marcin, Lead Learner/Principal

Calendar of Events

10/9

Fall Picture Day FNO-Milton's Pizza

10/12

Fitness Friday Grandparents Day 8:30 AM PTA Meeting

10/16

*5:30-7:00 PM Math & Science Night (note change: previously listed as 5:00)

10/19

Spirit Day-School Colors Staff Social

FULL DAY OF SCHOOL

10/22

Leopard Laps Pep Rally

10/26

Leopard Laps Day Fitness Friday

10/30

Reflections art work due

10/31 SCHOOL IS IN

(weather make-up day)

11/2

Fitness Friday

11/7

Fall Picture Make-Up Day

11/9

Fitness Friday

11/12

NO SCHOOL-Veteran's Day

11/13

6:30 PM PTA meeting

11/16

Fitness Friday

11/20

12:30 PM Early Release Spirit Day: Wild Sock Day

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...the **Building and Grounds Day committee** and all of our **volunteers** who helped make our school beautiful at Grounds Day! ...all of the Walk to school Day **participants**!



Grandparents – come have lunch with your grandbaby Friday, October 12ⁿ!

Have some special one-on-one time with your grandchild during normal lunch hours.

Afterwards, visit the Media Center for a sweet treat from the PTA!

STAFF FALL SOCIAL

The Staff Appreciation Committee is hosting a fall social on Friday October 19 and we need your help!

We will be providing our favorite staff members with some delicious fall themed snacks and drinks in the lounge during their lunch time. Please check out the sign up genius and help out if you can!

All donated items should be sent in by **Friday October 19 by 9 AM**. Please label your item with "staff social" and bring it to the staff lounge. There will also be a volunteer at carpool collecting items to make it easier for families.

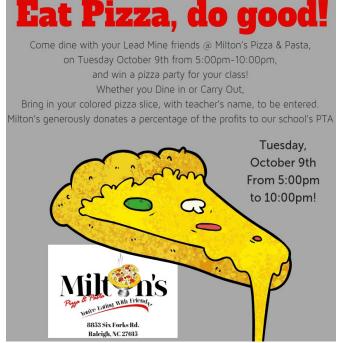
Homemade items are fine for the staff (not for the students) but store bought food works as well.

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Excited to see you tonight at milton's!







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Math&Science Night October 16th

Pizza served 6:00-7:00

Meal Tickets must be pre-purchased by Oct. 11th

Don't forget to order your pizza dinner! For \$2.50, you will get 2 slices of pizza & bottle of water. Please send in the below info and cash/check (payable to Lead Mine PTA) by October 11. Tickets will be sent home. Questions? Please email leisaalantz@amail.com or call/text 919-523-9895.

Student's Name	# of tickets
Teacher	Total enclosed



A note from the PTA President...



Keep up with upcoming events by using the link below to subscribe to the Lead Mine PTA Calendar of Events.

https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/lmesraleigh%40gmail.com/private-9d760e7a79f8243e12e2c453f1e9f819/basic.ics



A special thanks to

Sarah Burton

(Al for Media Center/Technology & PTA member)

for going the "Extra Mile" so that last Wednesday's Walk to School event was successful.

Thanks for getting our energy flowing, minds awake and friendships blooming!

We had over 100 walkers - students, parents, teachers, future leopards and Leo-who led the way.





There is now a page on the Lead Mine Elementary Web site that lists all opportunities for volunteering at Lead Mine! You can access the page by going to the Lead Mine Web Site and selecting the Parents tab, then Volunteer Opportunities. Or you can go directly to the page by visiting www.bit.ly/LMEVolunteering.