



The Leopard Link

President's Perspective

Happy Fall Y'all! I absolutely love this time of year! I love anything pumpkin, the beautiful colors of the leaves, the chill in the air (when the weather cooperates)....I could go on and on.

I want to thank everyone who took time out of their Saturday to attend our Campus Beautification Day. The Building and Grounds Committee is always in need of extra help. If you were not able to attend this past Saturday, but are interested in helping out anytime, please contact Jason Pleasant at matthew.j.pleasant@gmail.com.

Our Boosterthon Pep Rally is less than 2 weeks away! I know this will be new for many families so I will tell you now to get prepared. The Boosterthon team will be invading our campus and you will be certain to hear all about it. This group of individuals will be full of energy and positive messages. It will be a great time for our school!

Lastly, I want to mention how lucky we are. You never have to look too far to find wonderful things about our school. There are many genuine people here who care about kids and want to see them succeed. Behind all of the staff members who work with our kids every day are people who make decisions that impact learning and determine the direction our school moves in. One of them is our principal Aaron Marcin, and he was one of this year's Wake County Principal of the Year nominees. Under Mr. Marcin's leadership our students and staff are thriving! We are truly blessed to have him as our "Lead Learner".

I hope everyone has a fantastic week!

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Calendar of Events

10/18

Wear your favorite sports team for Bullying Awareness Week

10/19

Wear sweats for Bullying Awareness Week
3:15-4:45 LEGO STEM Challenge (2nd-5th)

10/20

Wear your favorite PJs for Bullying Awareness Week
8:00 AM Fitness Friday
12:30 PM Early Release
Spirit Day-Crazy Sock Day
Staff Social
Last day for Box Tops!

10/25

Math and Science Night

10/26

3:15-4:45 LEGO STEM Challenge (2nd-5th)

10/30

Boosterthon Pep Rally
End of 1st Quarter

10/31

NO SCHOOL

11/3

Report Cards Come Home

11/9

Boosterthon Fun Run

11/10

NO SCHOOL
Veteran's Day

11/14

FNO McTeacher Night

11/21

12:30 EARLY RELEASE
Pawsative Assembly
Spirit Day: Country/Western Day



Have You Joined PTA?

Remember, you need to renew your membership each year. Your dues help support programs at the school like Staff Appreciation, Spring Carnival, Book Fair, Green Thumb Club and more. Remember, becoming a member does not commit you to volunteering.

We are quite short of this year's goal of 250 members and need your membership!

Please send the PTA Membership form in your with your payment to your child's teacher, or contact jennyhalasz@gmail.com with questions. Please see the PTA Membership form that has been sent home in your Tuesday folder!

Reminder

Please complete the parent survey sent by your child's teacher! Lead Mine wants your feedback and the things you love and the things that could be changed at our school! All parent survey submissions are due by October 27th! Contact your child's teacher if you need the link sent again.

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Spots of Thanks go to...



...**everyone** who came out to our FNO night at Milton's!
 ...to all the **volunteers** that came out to our Campus Beautification Day!
 ...**Erin Smith** for organizing our School Spirit days!
 ...**Amy Boyd, Megan Mannikko, Beth Rosato** and especially **Ms. Foss** who deployed books on Monday night in support of Battle of the Books and NC Children's Book Award. Lots of great titles for readers.

Leopard Laps Fun Run is Coming!



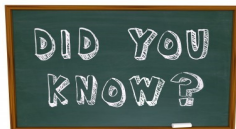
Parents! This year's main fundraiser is the Leopard Laps Fun Run! It's a 9-day program that kicks off with a Pep Rally on **Monday October 30th**. Families will then gather pledges for every lap your student runs (30-35 laps), and we'll celebrate at the Fun Run on **Thursday November 9th**.

With our big goal of raising \$15,000 for classroom technology, we asked the Fun Run experts at Boosterthon to power our Fun Run and make it more profitable, easier, and fun.

Students will also experience an amazing character theme, **CASTLE QUEST!** an English castle theme all about being brave and living with character. On their quest to regain Bravemore Castle, students will learn the "SIX VIRTUES of a TRUE HERO" from a cast of colorful characters.

Donations will go toward classroom technology and to the entire 9-day experience. So please help our school by reaching out to sponsors. Also, all families are invited to come out and cheer on your student at the Fun Run! Thank you for your support!

To volunteer to help decorate for the Fun Run, please see Sign Up Genius:
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e054baca92aa31-boosterthon5>



During the 2016-2017 school year, students checked out **19,960 books** from our school library! That's nearly 50 books per student for the year! We are thrilled that our students use and enjoy this valuable resource.



Ms. Foss needs HELP! Volunteers are needed to put books back on the shelves so that the next reader can find them. It's an easy task. A lot can be accomplished in 30 minutes. It's a flexible opportunity, come when you can. You are welcome anytime between 8:00 and 3:45. If there are books on the cart, we need your help. <http://signup.com/go/KyfrBdS>

#LMEsReads



Staff Fall Social: The PTA and Staff Appreciation Committee would like to show our amazing teachers and staff some fall love during the early release day on **Friday, October 20th**. We will be treating them to a yogurt bar and some sweet treats. Please help out by sending in needed items for this delicious day. Items should be sent in by 9 AM on Friday October 20. Please visit our SignUpGenius to donate items!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054BA5AD2E5-staff>



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