



The Leopard Link

Principal's Corner

Happy Tuesday Lead Mine Families,

We were excited to take our Fall pictures today at Lead Mine. Just as we finished our mClass reading assessments last week determining our starting point of the new school year, we now have photographic evidence of how we started the year.

As everyone at Lead Mine works to 'GROW EVERY CHILD' we will be using the data collected from mClass, Dreambox, and other observational data to set short and long-term goals for the 2017-2018 school year.

When we hold our Fall conferences with families between November 6th and November 17th – each family will receive information about the goals that we are working to achieve between now and the end of the school year.

Teachers throughout the building will be setting up conferences during the two-week conference week in order to gather more information from each child's family, and to share progress that is being made socially, emotionally, and academically.

As a school community, our School Improvement Team has been working to review our school-wide goals, and then check off our timeline of completing tasks that will ensure another year of progress.

We are looking forward to another great week and we thank each of you for your continued communication, support, and growth of everyone at Lead Mine Elementary.

See you soon,

Aaron Marcia

Lead Learner/Principal



Calendar of Events

10/4

Walk to School Day

10/5

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

10/6

8:00 AM Fitness Friday

10/10

5:00-9:00 PM FNO Milton's Pizza

10/12

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

10/13

8:00 AM Fitness Friday
8:30 AM PTA Meeting

10/14

8:00 AM Grounds Day

10/16

Wear black for Bullying Awareness Week

10/17

Wear jeans for Bullying Awareness Week

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



Just a friendly reminder...

- Children cannot enter the school until the building opens at 8:00am.
- If you arrive at 8:30am or after, a parent/guardian must walk the children into the front office to sign them in.
- If your child is a member of a club that meets before 8:00am, please walk them in the back door to their designated location.

Register or Re-register to Volunteer! Any adult who volunteers in a Wake County School must be approved as a volunteer. So, if you are planning to help in your child's classroom or attend a field trip this year, you must complete the registration process. **Everyone must re-register each school year.** The process can be completed from a computer at ANY WAKE COUNTY SCHOOL. If this is your first time registering you will need your Driver's License and Social Security number. If you just need to re-register, you will only need your Social Security number. Stop by the Media Center before or after school, or even during your lunch hour, to complete your registration.

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Spots of Thanks go to...



...ALL the Lead Mine Families and friends who participated in the Go Play Save coupon book sales! THANK YOU!
...ALL the Lead Mine parents who have supported our school through PTA Membership! Thank you for joining! If you would like to still join, its never too late!



Don't forget WALK to School Day is Tomorrow!!!

Wednesday October 4th at 7:30am

All Lead Mine Families and Staff are invited!

-Plan to meet in the parking lot of Sola at 7:30 am. - Wear a school T-shirt or school colors (blue and yellow), so we can make a colorful statement for Lead Mine. -Coach C will be leading a warm up session before we begin our walk. Wear your walking shoes and bring a smile!-Start the day off right and have a great time on the walk to school with your friends!

****IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY for ALL of the children involved, students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for our walk to school. Please do not drop your child off to walk alone.

Questions? Contact Katie Scheffel at katiescheffel@hotmail.com



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!



BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS DAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017, 8 AM

We would like to welcome any and all volunteers who would like to help keep Lead Mine Elementary looking great. The children, parents, families, faculty and staff have always taken pride in our school, and it shows.

We are going to meet at the school at 8am and begin work from there. We understand there are sports and weekend activities you may have on your schedule. So, volunteers are welcome to come at anytime during the day to help out. Also, feel free to bring students, siblings, or family members with you.

This year we will be focusing on planting azaleas donated by WRAL. Ms. Demcio was able to apply for, and get, 50 azaleas donated to add some great color to our school. We are working out getting holes predrilled with an auger to help speed up the planting process. We still need volunteers to help transport the one gallon azaleas. We also have mulch to spread, bushes to trim, leaves to blow and general house keeping items. There will be a sign-up genius set up for the list of tools and help we will need for this event. So, keep an eye out.

We are always in need of help with Buildings and Grounds. So, if you can't make it October 14th, or if you'd like to get involved with helping out any time, feel free to contact me at matthew.j.pleasant@gmail.com or Ms. Demcio. If you have ideas or tools that might make and keep our school beautiful, let us know.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Jason Pleasant



K-Cup DONATIONS Needed!

The PTA needs your help restocking k-cups for the staff lounge! If you can help by donating any amount of k-cups, it would be greatly appreciated. Please give any donations to Cami in the office. Thank you for your help!!



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Mrs. Carroll's Counselor Corner

BULLYING PREVENTION & AWARENESS WEEK

OCTOBER 16TH-20TH



The month of October is National Bullying Prevention month. At Lead Mine Elementary School we will hold an entire week of activities to promote, celebrate and support this important topic. We will tie this in with the P2 character strength of Teamwork/Citizenship.

Each morning we will be airing a "celebrity" Public Service Announcement on our morning news, Leopard Live. We will hold our first Bullying Prevention Poster Contest for all students. Posters are due to Mrs. Carroll no later than Thursday, October 19th at 3:00pm to be displayed in the front hallway. A committee will judge posters for a winner to be announced Monday morning (one winner per grade level)! The winners will receive a doughnut breakfast on Friday, October 20th! Please see contest rules below.

Additionally, we will invite each student to add their fingerprint to the #Otherpeoplematter pledge board during the week of October 1st. This will be displayed in our front lobby for all students, parents, teachers, and guests to see when they visit our school. Please see below for the schedule of events for the week.

Monday October 16th

"LET'S BLACK OUT BULLYING!" (wear all black)

Tuesday October 17th

"I'M A JEAN-IUS, I'M BULLY-FREE" (wear your favorite pair of jeans)

Wednesday October 18th

"TEAM UP AGAINST BULLYING" (wear your favorite team clothing)

Thursday October 19th

"TREATING OTHERS WITH RESPECT IS NO SWEAT!" (wear your favorite sweats)

Posters are due to Mrs. Carroll no later than 3:00!

Friday October 20th

"LET'S PUT BULLYING TO SLEEP" (wear your favorite pj's)

Poster winners will be announced during morning announcements and invited for a donut breakfast.

BULLYING PREVENTION CONTEST RULES

1. All posters must be submitted on 8x11 paper (printer sized paper - any color) 2. All posters must have the student and teacher name printed clearly on the back. 3. Students must work individually on posters. 4. Only one poster may be submitted per student. 5. Poster must be submitted no later than Thursday, October 19th at 3:00pm to Mrs. Carroll.



A winner will be chosen for each grade level based on:

- **Theme** (Does it show originality? Does it grab the viewer's interest?)
- **Effect** (Does it inspire the viewer? Does it make the viewer think?)
- **Clarity** (Is the poster content clear? Does the message have an impact on the viewer?)
- **Guidelines** (Is this poster the correct size? Does it have a name?)

Winners will be announced on Leopard Live Friday, October 20th.

FNO! Come join us for Family Night Out at Milton's on Tuesday, October 10th from 5pm to 9pm. Eat in or Carry Out! Make sure to let your server know you are from Lead Mine so that we can benefit!



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Don't forget to fill out those PTA membership forms! It's your dues that make our school events and support possible. Families should rejoin every year. Contact Jenny Halasz at jenny-halasz@gmail.com if you have any questions or need another copy of the form.



Are you collecting box tops from your groceries and from your friends, family, and neighbors? Keep asking and collecting!

Remember, each Box Top is worth 10 cents, and they add up fast! Here's a reminder you can put on your refrigerator and share with others!



Any questions, email Leisa Glantz at leisa-glantz@gmail.com. Please turn the box tops in to your teacher or the office by **October 20th**.

Keep clipping—we will do another drive in the early spring.



Make a Difference for our School!

Please clip Box Tops coupons – each one is worth 10¢ for our school! Hang this bag on your refrigerator so it's easy to see and easy to collect the Box Tops you clip. Box Tops can be found on hundreds of quality products from brands like these:

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Thanks for your support!

P3 Positive Partners Program

Lead Mine is thrilled to be introducing the *Positivity Project* this year. The *Positivity Project* empowers America's youth to build strong relationships by seeing the character strengths in themselves and others. #OtherPeopleMatter Each week students will learn about different character strengths and engage in hands-on activities.

The Lead Mine Staff, Administration and PTA want to take it one step further. We would like to pair students in grades 3-5 with a mentor... aka a "Positive Partner". To do this we will need your help!

To be a Positive Partner:

- Meet with your assigned student at school for 20-30 minutes each week between the hours of 8:30 – 3:00
- During that time, talk through the activities included in your Positive Partner folder (no planning necessary!)
- Be a registered Wake County Public School System volunteer

If you are interested in helping our Lead Mine Leopards by being a Positive Partner, please fill out the bottom portion of this sheet or send an email to lesieblkwd@gmail.com.

Please plan to attend our Positive Partners Q&A Session on October 6th at 8:30am in the Lead Mine _____. At this meeting, we will go over the activities in the folders and answer any questions you might have.

Thanks!

Leslie Blackwood
Positive Partners Chair

✂ _____ ✂
Yes, I am interested in being a Positive Partner!

Name _____

Email _____

Please return this portion to your teacher.



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Planning to attend the NC State Fair?

Don't forget to use the advance ticket online site below to get your State Fair gate tickets! Be sure to enter Lead Mine's school code 470, and Lead Mine will receive \$2 for each adult admission ticket purchased and \$1 for each child ticket purchased. It's a great way to help out if you are planning to attend the fair. <https://www.etix.com/ticket/p/7709276/wake-county-schools-offer-2017-ncstate-fair-gate-admission-good-any-one-day-raleigh-2017-north-carolina-state-fairadmissionridebooks-grandstand-events>



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