



The Leopard Link

Principal's Corner

Happy December Lead Mine Leaders and Learners!

The close of 2017 is upon us but luckily we are not even half way through our 2017-2018 school year! For that, we are so very thankful of as we begin this month of December.

This past weekend brought in December with a song, a story, and an amazing time at the Triangle Town Center Barnes and Noble. We were so fortunate to hear our Lead Mine Elementary Chorus celebrate the Writing Contest Finalists and Winners.

During this amazing event, each winner (one from every grade level) was able to read their winning entry to everyone in attendance. All stories that were entered into the contest were displayed and will continue to be throughout the next week.

A special Thank You to Ms. Cami Stephens who organized this annual event that supports the Growth of Every Child at Lead Mine. Ms. Stephens not only organized the contest, judging, selecting winners, and MC'ing the event; she also got sponsors for the event, decorated, and put together an amazing binder for each of the winners. We at Lead Mine are so fortunate to have Ms. Stephens and we appreciate all that she does.

Our teachers have spent the past two week teaching Humility and Modesty in all our classrooms with the Positivity Project. It has been great to see and hear some of the conversations in classrooms and throughout the building in regards to recognizing the work of others without prompting.

In line with this work of the Positivity Project, we ask that our families think of the work that teachers and staff do for our students and families each day at Lead Mine. As we begin the holiday season for many of our community members, keep in mind that a letter of appreciation goes a long way.

Being in the building each day, it is easy to see how much work the staff at Lead Mine puts into ensuring that we are best able to Grow Every Child this year. Our staff work to build strong relationships, developing dynamic and engaging learning experiences for students, and encouraging progress through meaningful feedback.

We at Lead Mine also recognize all the work that families do to ensure that students are ready and prepared for learning at Lead Mine each day. We appreciate all that each of you do and we see how your efforts are supporting Growth all year long.

We are looking forward to a great December and we thank each of you for all that you do to support our entire Lead Mine community.

See you soon,

Aaron Marcin
Lead Learner/Principal
Lead Mine Elementary



Calendar of Events

- 12/12
FNO at Coconut Charlie's
- 12/13
Holiday Shop Opens
- 12/15
8:30 AM PTA Meeting
- 12/20
Holiday Shop closes
- 12/21
12:30 EARLY RELEASE
Spirit Day: Hawaiian Spirit Day
Staff Holiday Luncheon
- 12/22-1/1
NO SCHOOL-Winter Break
- 1/9
FNO at Chow
- 1/15
NO SCHOOL-MLK Day
- 1/18
7:00 PM PTA Meeting
- 1/19
End of 2nd Quarter
- 1/22
NO SCHOOL-TWD
- 1/24
School Club Pictures
- 2/2
Scholastic Book Fair Begins
- 2/7
5:00 PM Book Fair Family Night
- 2/9
12:30 EARLY RELEASE
Sprit Day: Crazy Hair
Pawsative Assembly:
8:45-9:45 3rd-5th
10:00-11:00 K-2nd

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Spots of Thanks go to...



... **Cami Stephens** for all her hard work organizing the Writing Contest and for organizing the celebration at Barnes and Noble to celebrate our awesome Writing Contest winners!
 ...special thanks to **Morgan Beeson** with the **Vintage Bee** for creating jewelry works of art for our upcoming holiday sale!



Student _____

Teacher/grade _____

Amount enclosed _____

Student can (please pick one):

Spend only amount specified below
(change to be sent home)

OR

Spend remaining money if s/he wants

Gift for	Suggestions	\$1.00
Total		

Lead Mine Elementary PTA presents

Leo's Holiday Shop

December 13th-20th, 2017

The holidays are coming, and we want to help make the season even more special for your children by giving them the opportunity to shop (in secret!) for the perfect gift for Mom, Dad, grandparents, siblings, and other important people (and pets!) in their lives. Every morning from 8-8:25 am, students will be able to choose from a wide array of gifts. Each item will only cost \$1. The children will be able to wrap their gifts in gift bags and label them so the gifts are ready for the holidays. Please attach the gift/budget list (to the left) to an envelope and send in with cash or check (made out to Lead Mine PTA) with your child.

Please consider helping with this fun event: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/20F054CA5A82AA5F49-leos

Any questions? Please call or email Leisa Glantz (leisaglantz@gmail.com, 919-523-9895).



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TUESDAY DECEMBER 12TH 5:15PM-8PM

**LEAD MINE
• HOLIDAY •
DROP N' SHOP!**

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**COCONUT CHARLIE'S BUMP N' BOUNCE
7409 SIX FORKS ROAD
RALEIGH NC 27615**

**GO SHOP
WITHOUT
THE KIDS,
OR JUST A
NIGHT OUT
TO DINNER**



**3 YRS+ \$10 : INCLUDES : HOURS OF
UNDER 3YRS \$7 : PIZZA/DRINK : BOUNCING**



PLEASE FILL OUT ONE PER FAMILY AND RETURN TO CHILD'S TEACHER BY DEC. 11TH

PARENT NAME: _____

STUDENT NAME/S: _____

TICKET INCLUDES DINNER AND 2 1/2 HRS OF SUPERVISED BOUNCING

OF \$10 TICKETS _____ , # OF \$7 TICKETS _____ , TOTAL TICKETS NEEDED _____

_____ TOTAL \$ AMOUNT INCLUDED

**PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION OF THE FORM WITH CASH
OR CHECK MADE OUT TO Coconut Charlie's Bump N' Bounce.**



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With the cooler weather, we are seeing more items hit the lost and found and it is beginning to overflow. Please come by, or ask your student to come by, and check the cabinet if you are missing anything from their wardrobe. Below, please find the purge dates for the this year. At the end of the school day, for each of these dates, we will take all remaining items and donate them to charity.

2017-2018 Lost and Found Purge dates:

December 21st (early release day)

March 28th (last day before spring break)

June 8th (last day of school)

Thank you!



Staff Holiday Luncheon



It's time to spoil our wonderful Lead Mine Staff!

The staff holiday luncheon is a Lead Mine tradition and will take place on Thursday, December 21st. We will treat the staff to a delicious meal and desserts. Please take a look and help out if you can.

Thank you for your support to make this a special day for our wonderful staff members!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054ba5ad2e5-staff1>



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