



# The Leopard Link

Happy Tuesday Lead Mine Elementary Families,

Thank you to everyone who has worked to support the teaching and learning of our students at Lead Mine throughout the third quarter here at Lead Mine. We know that you are all working hard and looking forward to a restful and relaxing Spring Break coming up shortly.

We have been working at Lead Mine to continue Loving Every Growth Opportunity both in and out of the classrooms this year. Students are continuing to make academic growth as our data shows that students learning blocks are taking them to higher achievement levels.

We would like to thank the PTA for their hard work and dedication towards working with Lead Mine as they continue to support teachers and students throughout the building each and every day.

I wanted to let everyone know that I will be out of the building until Monday, April 4th. If you need any support, please email me or contact Ms. Demcio during this time. I am already looking forward to returning to see everyone.

T. Aaron Marcin



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 3/16  
Family Night Out at Five Guys and Yogurt Mountain 4 – 9 PM
- 3/18  
Fitness Friday Club 8:00 AM  
PTA Meeting – 8:30 AM
- 3/21  
Deadline for Original Works of Art
- 3/22  
Science Fair & Dinner  
5:30 - 7:30 PM
- 3/24  
Snow Make-Up Day
- 3/25-4/1  
Spring Break
- 4/5  
Literacy Night 6:00-8:00 PM
- 4/8  
Fitness Friday Club 8:00 AM  
Report Cards  
Spirit Day: Crazy Sock Day  
Pawsitive Assemblies
- 4/15  
Fitness Friday Club 8:00 AM
- 4/16  
Spring Carnival
- 4/19  
PTA Meeting - 7:00 PM
- 4/21  
McTeacher Night
- 4/22  
Fitness Friday Club 8:00 AM
- 4/25  
Snow Make-Up Day
- 5/2-5/6  
Staff Appreciation Week
- 5/3  
Interim Reports

**FIVE GUYS**  
BURGERS and FRIES

## Family Night Out Double Header Five Guys & Yogurt Mountain

### THIS Wednesday from 4:00 - 9:00 PM

Please be sure to mention you are with Lead Mine Elementary!

Proceeds from our Family Night Out Double-Header at Five Guys and Yogurt Mountain will go toward this year's Lead Mine 5th Grade Celebration.  
Thanks for your support!



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## Spots of Thanks go to...



... the 5th Grade Celebration Committee for putting together lots of great events to help our 5th graders and our school!

...thank you to ALL the 5th grade students who made posters for the community food drive!



### Fitness Friday News!

The weather has warmed up. The birds are chirping. The sun is shining earlier. The kids are going wild with pent up energy!

Help them release that energy at Fitness Friday. Fitness Friday is back and needs your help supervising the students. This past fall we had 160 students on average each week. With the addition of Kindergarten students, we expect those numbers to climb to 190 each Friday.

Please consider volunteering from 7:50-8:30 on 1, 2, or more Friday's. It is a great way to start your morning.

To volunteer: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054fada62da31-fitness>

Do you want your student to participate? If you have not already turned in a form, please do so now. Your student will thank you!

You can find a copy of the permission form here:

<http://leadminepta.weebly.com/forms.html>



Contact Jason Edwards for any questions! [jedwards.ncsu@gmail.com](mailto:jedwards.ncsu@gmail.com)



### Lead Mine Book Drive March 14th - April 8th

Lead Mine's Book Drive is going on right now! If your family is interested in donating gently used books, a donation box will be set up in the front lobby of the school from March 14th - April 8th. We will accept books for children of all ages.

Help by sharing your love of reading with children in need!

#### Questions?

Contact Shawna Sullivan at [ssullivan2@wcpss.net](mailto:ssullivan2@wcpss.net).



### EOG Testing Dates

Thursday 5/26: Grades 3-5 Reading EOG

(make-up Reading date Tues 5/31)

Friday 5/27: Grades 3-5 Math EOG

(make-up Math date Wed 6/1)

Thursday 6/2: Grade 5 Science EOG

(make-up Science date Fri 6/3)



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# Literacy Night

## April 5th from 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Come and learn strategies you can use at home to support your child and their growing literacy skills! Some topics will include: choosing "good fit" books, questioning techniques to guide your child, supporting your child's comprehension, ideas for summer reading, and more! A flyer was sent home on March 8th in your child's Tuesday folder. If you plan to attend, please RSVP! Questions? Contact Shawna Sullivan at [wsullivan2@wcpss.net](mailto:wsullivan2@wcpss.net).



## Important Carpool Reminders

Our carpool in the mornings and afternoons is running very efficiently. The safety of our student and families is our main priority, so following these safety rules and traffic laws will insure that you do your part to help us model for our students the importance of keeping our school community safe.



Please refrain from using your cell phones to talk, text, email or for any other purpose when carpool begins to move. All drivers need to remain alert, so **NO CELL PHONES are allowed once carpool begins.**



**NO LEFT TURNS** are permitted when turning into the Lead Mine parking lot or when turning out of it. Left turns into our parking lot are not only unsafe but also **prohibited by law during the posted hours.** Left turns out of our parking lot are dangerous and disrupt the flow of the carpool traffic exiting the campus.

## Volunteers Needed for Special Projects



Parent volunteers are needed to help Mrs. Denny (Cross Categorical Resource Teacher) with a few special projects she will be using with her students. If you have some time to spare and would like to help, please contact Mrs. Denny at [kdenny@wcpss.net](mailto:kdenny@wcpss.net) to volunteer. Thanks, Parents!



Thank you to everyone who supported the community food drive! A total of **1,826** food items were donated to North Raleigh Ministries. They support kids and families in the North Raleigh area. The winner of the grade level contest for popsicles on the playground is **KINDERGARTEN** with **477** food items donated! Congrats!

Thank you so much,  
Jennifer Heard



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