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School of Distinction

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The Leopard Link

This Thursday, February 19th, is our **Parent Chat** with Ms. Hill from **6:00-7:00 pm**. This Parent Chat will focus on answering questions and making sure all of our student's needs are being met. Please join us! Additionally, please help give your insight with regards to our wonderful school by participating in the following short parent survey at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Y3QRRK8. Please complete survey by Feb 20th. Thanks!

The Scholastic Book Fair is February 20th – 27th

Explore an Ocean of Books Under the Sea!

The book fair will be open each school day in the Media Center from **8:00am until 3:15pm.** Students can shop during any of these times, as long as they bring a parent, or have permission from their teacher *and* money.

Who is Going to Kiss a Pig!? Help us raise $500 for the Scholastic **"All for Books"** program, and Ms. Hill and Mrs. Crosson will **Kiss a Pig**! The "All for Books" program allows books to be given to students who might not otherwise have a chance to buy a book at the book fair. It is a fantastic opportunity for Lead Mine families to give back to children at Lead Mine who are not able to purchase books. Details on how to donate will come home in the February 17th Tuesday folder. No amount is too small!

We have two **Fun Family Events** planned for this year's Book Fair!

Book Fair Dessert Night is scheduled for 5:30– 8:00 Thursday, February 26th
***Parent supervision is required if your child is planning to participate in the Book Fair Dessert Night. Please plan to attend with your child, and do not drop him or her off to attend unsupervised. This is a PTA sponsored event, and school personnel, other parents, and volunteers will not be responsible for, or guarantee your child's safety.*

Dining with Dad will take place February 23rd – 27th. Invite your dad, granddad, uncle, brother or other special person to have a lunch date with you at the book fair. Dads should arrive during their student's lunch time. After eating, enjoy special access to the book fair. Bring your lunch or purchase it in the cafeteria. Enjoy your lunch in a special area in the media center, which will be set-aside just for you!

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!
If you can volunteer at the book fair please email Lacy Drummond at lacydrummond8@yahoo.com.
Sign-up Genius: http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F44AAA829A02-book1/673871

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Lead Mine Science Fair

Thursday, March 12th 6:30-8:00 PM

Planning to participate in this year's Science Fair? Please turn in your registration form to your teacher on or before **February 23rd**. There is NO COST to participate in the Science Fair. After we receive your registration form, a Science Fair tri-fold display board and information packet will be sent home. Extra registration forms are available in the front office if you need one.

Questions? Contact Science Fair Coordinator, Krista Brinchek, at rosequartz66@hotmail.com.

Calendar of Events

2/19
Parent Chat: 6:00-7:00 PM

2/20
Scholastic Book Fair begins

2/24
3rd Quarter Interim Reports
(date change)

2/26
Book Fair Dessert Night

2/27
Book Fair ends

3/6
Early Release - 12:30PM

3/10
FNO - McTeacher Night at McDonald's
4:30-7:30PM

3/12
Lead Mine Science Fair - 6PM

3/13
College Team / ACC Spirit Day
PTA Meeting – 8:30AM

3/17
Spring Pictures

3/20
End of 3rd Quarter

3/23-3/27
Spring Break – No School

3/30
School Resumes

3/31
Cultural Arts Performance with The Beast: A Visionary Quartet
8:45-9:30 Grades 3-5
9:45-10:30 Grades K-2

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Spots of Thanks go to...

...Tara Pleasant and the Nominating Committee for working so hard to fulfill our PTA board and committee positions for next year!
...Sharon Tiller and all the volunteers who work the school store!
...Erin Trull Smith for planning and organizing our school spirit days!

Thank you for all you do!

Coming Soon!

The Lead Mine Fitness Friday Club

The Health & Wellness Committee is busy planning for Lead Mine's first Fitness Friday Club! This 8-week pilot run/walk program will be open to ALL STUDENTS, meeting on Friday mornings from 8:00-8:25AM beginning April 10th and continuing through May 29th. In order to participate, students will be required to check in with their classroom teachers before heading out to the track to run or walk their way to a great day! For this program to work, lots of parent volunteers will be needed. Look for more information coming soon in your child's Tuesday folder!

Middle School Math Placement
Parent Information Sessions:

Learn about middle school math placement guidelines, resources to support success in math in ALL WCPSS middle schools, math progression in middle and high school, and how and when you have options for math acceleration.

Session Options: Session 1: Feb 18th at E. Garner Magnet MS
Session 2: Feb. 19th at East Millbrook Magnet MS
Session 3: Feb. 23rd at Davis Drive MS
Session 4: Feb 26th at Durant Road MS
Session 5: March 2nd at Holly Ridge MS
Session 6: March 5th at Carroll Magnet MS

All sessions start at 6 pm in the school auditorium.
For questions visit http://wake-ms-math.weebly.com

Math at Home

Do-Anytime Activities – Shapes/Geometry

- Together, look for 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional shapes in your home and neighborhood. Explore and name shapes and brainstorm their characteristics. For example, compare a soup can and a tissue box. Talk about the differences between the shapes of the surfaces.
- Use household items, such as toothpicks and marshmallows, straws and twist-ties, sticks, and paper to construct shapes.
- Look for geometric patterns in floor tiles, quilts, buildings, and so on.

Resource: http://everydaymath.uchicago.edu/parents/5th-grade/Study%20Link%204.8.pdf

YEARBOOK PHOTOS!!

We need Lead Mine photos for the yearbook!
If you have photos from field trips, school events or class parties, please share them with us!

You can upload them easily to photobucket.com.
User ID: **leadmine14**
Password: **leopards**

Do you have a 5th grader this year? Please return your 5th grade sentiment forms ASAP. You can also email sentiments and/or pictures to: sentiments2015@yahoo.com. Please remember to submit your payment in addition to your email.