

EVENTS

December 21-January 1

- Winter Break

Monday, January 4

- Classes Resume

Thursday, January 14

- PTC Meeting @ 3:00

Monday, January 18

- No School-Martin Luther King's Birthday

Monday, January 25

- School Improvement Day/No School for Students

Wednesday, January 27

- School Improvement Meeting @ 2:55

Friday, January 29

- Progress Reports go home to all students

Saturday, January 30

- Fun Fair 2-6

From the Principal's Desk.....

Dear Families,

Winter break is right around the corner. I hope that you and your family will enjoy the time off of school and will enjoy some quality time together. Please note that the school office will be open over the Winter break with the exception of December 24, 25, and the 31. Our office hours are from 7AM-3:30 PM. Don't hesitate to stop in or call if you need something.

I am so excited to announce something new that we are starting at Lake in the Hills Elementary to encourage walking. We will be starting a special walking club before school for students who would like to walk inside the gym before school. The schedule is as follows:

Monday-5th grade

Tuesday-4th grade

Wednesday-3rd grade

Thursday-2nd grade

Friday-1st grade and Kindergarten(AM)

Students are invited to go straight to the gym at 8:10 to walk. Staff members will be inside walking with the students and supervising them. If you have any questions please feel free to call Mrs. Thompson or Mrs. Poole.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at (847) 532-6900.

Principal,
Mrs. Poole



Progress Reports to all Parents on Friday, January 29th

In an effort to communicate more with families regarding student progress, all students in kindergarten through fifth grade will now receive a progress report at the half-way point of each trimester. Kindergarten students did not receive a progress report for the first trimester. This is being done district wide at all the ele-

mentary schools. We hope as a district that you find the information beneficial. The progress report shows where your child is at academically at the current time whereas the report card is a reporting of progress on end of the year goals. As always, if you have questions or concerns about your child's progress please contact your child's teacher as soon as pos-

sible. I believe you will find the staff at Lake in the Hills willing and dedicated to working with you to best meet the needs of your child(ren).



2ND GRADE BUDDIES

One of the most anticipated activities in second grade is High School Buddies. Members of Jacob's High School Interact Club come to Lake in the Hills School three times per year. Each time the high school buddies meet with their second grade buddies, they read books, do a book related project, share their books and enjoy a snack. At the final meeting, the second graders receive a certificate for participating and they also receive a book to keep. This valuable program helps the second graders become better readers and offers them positive role models. The program helps the high school buddies by giving them a way to help other people and share their love of books with second graders. Look for more information about 2nd grade buddies in the D300 March edition Newsletter as Lake in the Hills is one of the featured schools.



BIRTHDAY BOOKS

Special thanks from the Media Center to the following student for donating a book on her birthday.

Jenna Miller
The completed Hickory Dickory Dock book

A yellow smiley face with large black eyes and a wide smile is wearing black-rimmed glasses. It is holding a red book open in front of it, as if reading. The smiley face is surrounded by a decorative border of colorful hot air balloons in shades of purple, blue, green, and yellow.

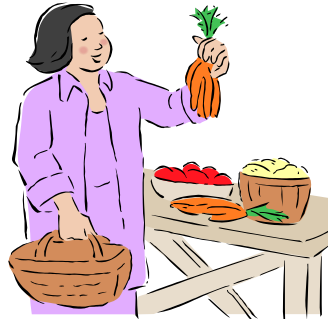
BOTTLE CAP RECYCLING BEGINS AGAIN

Our bottle cap recycling will start up right after the Winter break and will go until Thursday, February 25th. This time the school will not be having a contest but just collecting to recycle. So please start sending in those bottle caps. You do not need to count them. However, please keep in mind that only bottle caps will be accepted. Aveda only recycles bottle caps that screw on. The following items will not be accepted: fast food lids, baby cup lids, lids from any type of food container and any type of Tupperware lid. As stated, we are only collecting these items, it is not a contest. Thanks so much.



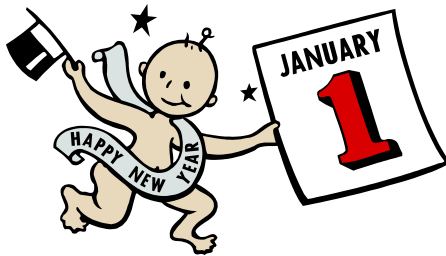
SNOW DAYS

In the event of a snow day district wide, you will be called via the Rapid Communication System. The information will also be posted on the district web site. We have sent two rapid communication reminders this year, one being for an early release day and the other about parent teacher conferences. Hopefully, you find these calls valuable.



NUTRITION POLICY

Just a reminder with the holiday parties right around the corner that we do ask that you send nutritious treats for the parties. In addition, all food items must be prepackaged from a commercial establishment. Please do not send in home baked goods as we can not distribute them per the Kane County Health Department. We strive at Lake in the Hills to teach the students about the importance of making healthy food choices which is part of the Nutrition Policy. Thank you for your help with this matter.



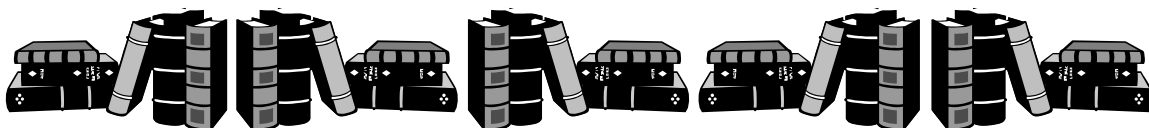
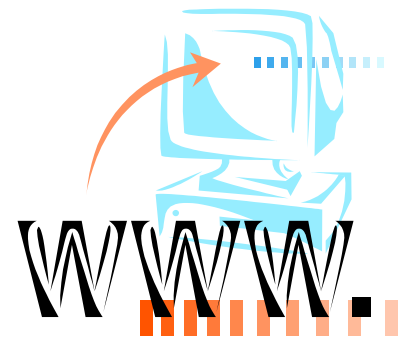
THANK YOU FROM DESA FOR SUPPLIES FOR THE TROOPS

Special thanks from our para-educators district wide to everyone who donated items for our troops overseas. We collected 3,826 pounds of donated items which were delivered to Operation Support Our Troops Illinois. <http://www.osotil.org>. This was enough to supply 168 soldiers with a box of supplies. Thank you so much to everyone that helped.



NEWS FROM THE MEDIA CENTER

Many of the activities students do in the computer lab with Mrs. Brown can be accessed at home if students log on to the Internet and go to our school's homepage: <http://www.d300.org/schools/lhes>. On the right side of the homepage there is a link called "LITH Library Catalog". Clicking on that link will take students to the "Home" tab with a long list of activities divided by



Positive Behavior Interventions and Support at LITH

At Lake in the Hills we continue to focus on the key area of respect. We are looking for and positively recognizing all of the students and staff at Lake in the Hills when they show respect in the four areas of: respect for self, property, others, and for teaching. Something new with PBIS this year is our school wide dance to the tune of RESPECT and the spotting of staff members. Staff members spot each other for doing good things. Recognition was given out to many students with special recognition given to three students from each classroom who best demonstrated the four areas of respect. The following students and staff members were recognized::

Kindergarten—A.M.	Andrew Doetsch Grace Jacoby	Riley Doherty Samantha Kuhns	Anna Harvey Rachel Weissmuller
Kindergarten—P.M.	Alexander Cumbo	Carmella Curran	Logan Hanssler
First Grade	McKenzie Bauman Alyssa Jedlowski Gavin Reining	Darian Bendis Keegan Olivera Enrique Rivas	Ayden Janchev Esmeralda Puga Rachael Saia
Second Grade	Carter Davis Preston Krahl Haylee Menendez	Elizabeth Grabinski Justin McCraw Alyssia Nunez	Aubree Haas Michael Meehan Carlos Ojeda
Third Grade	Peyton Bendis Nicholas Jurs-Neman Jackson Popovich	Danielle Gonzaga Paez Mackenzie Oates Ashley Rivas	Curtis Harper Emily Pena Samantha Suarez
Fourth Grade	Andrea Aguirre Morgan Kaiser Nathan Niklaus	Jose Duran Ashley Klocke Erik Ojeda	Nicholas Janchev Molly Meehan Courtney Williams
Fifth Grade	Katharine Fiske Dalyce Jacoby Jessica Kuhns	Ryan Hansen Haley Johnson Ethan Manley	Alexis Husk-Trevino Mateusz Kawalko Ashley Vargas Castaneda
Staff Members:	Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Vanden Bussche, Mrs. King, Mrs. Alford, Ms. Schumacher, Mr. Tom, Mrs. Dworak, Mrs. Nelis, and Mrs. Roby		

I am so very proud of all of the students and staff members at Lake in the Hills and the commitment that they have put forth in showing respect and making Lake in the Hills a wonderful place to be.

At Lake in the Hills we show respect for:

**TEACHING
SELF
PROPERTY
OTHERS**

Physical Education Newsletter

1st Trimester

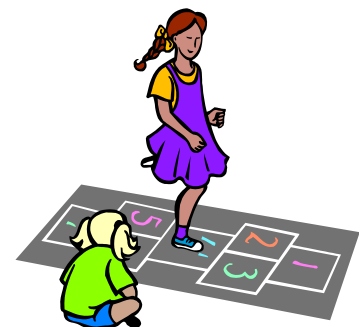
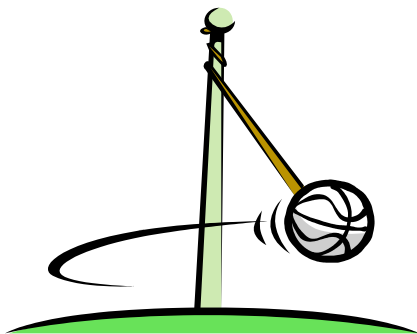
The Physical Education classes have been busy the first trimester of school with several units, including, running/conditioning, playground rules and games, soccer skills, soccer games, flag tag football, football fundamentals, jump roping, and scooters.

The first week of school was devoted to outside playground rules and running our new "track." Last Spring, Mr. Tom (the custodian) and I created a mini-track on the upper field that surrounds the baseball diamond. Lined in white paint, the track gives the students in P.E. a chance to experience what running a $\frac{1}{2}$ or a mile demands. Six laps around the track is equal to a mile. Students run the track to help increase their level of fitness, tone and strengthen the neuromuscular system, increase cardiovascular fitness, and help fight childhood obesity. Running is a valuable tool in helping children set personal goals that they can strive for.

Playground games were a highlight of the 1st trimester and are a new addition to the P.E. curriculum. The stencils for the games that are out on the blacktop were brought indoors and set up in the gym, where the students received instruction on Hopscotch, 4 Square, and Tetherball. Rules and directions were emphasized to help the students understand various ways games can be created and played with their classmates. They are excellent for not only skill development, but also for teaching social skills and interactive skills. Game situations offer many scenarios for teaching sportsmanship behavior. Games are also a laboratory where children can apply physical skills in a game-like setting. They help develop large muscle groups, enhance the student's ability to run, dodge, start, and stop under control while sharing space with others. Children learn the importance of alertness and the mental aspect of participation while engaging in playground games. We had fun trying out our new "games."

As the cold weather approaches, I encourage students to keep active and exercise as a family. Exercise is a great way to spend time together, promote a healthier lifestyle, brain power, and a happier child!

Mrs. Allen
P.E. Specialist





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NEW Lake in the Hills Elementary School E-Newsletters

This information was sent in the last newsletter but we are sending it again in hopes of getting more parents to sign up for the E-Newsletter.

The Lake in the Hills monthly newsletter is now available to you in many different formats. The traditional newsletter is sent home on pink paper in the Tuesday folders, it is also available on the Web Page and now you can subscribe for it to be delivered directly to an e-mail address. Would you or someone in your family like to have the Lake in the Hills Newsletter delivered directly to an e-mail address? You will need to visit the new and improved LITH Web page <http://www.d300.org/schools/lhes> to subscribe, be sure to check out all the important information on the Website. The subscription information is found on the right side of the screen (see sample sign on below), scroll down until you see e-Newsletters...enter your full name, email, select the HTML format, mailing group =LHES-Newsletters, click subscribe. (Please do not select plain text as the district does not have that option or format.) A message will appear to check your email. The message on your e-mail will be... Mailing List Manager Pro - follow the link to complete your subscription.eNewsletters

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