LAKE VIEW PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

Dates to Remember

Moms and	2/10
Muffins LV Cafe	7:30
21st Century BINGO Night LV Gym	2/13 5:30- 6:30 PM
Site Council 4:00 PM Library	2/15
NO SCHOOL	2/17
Presidents Day NO SCHOOL	2/20
Spring Pictures	2/21

Letter from the Principal

Parents & Guardians,

Our school is really looking at some progressive ways to place students in classrooms next year. First, the Kindergarten teachers, reading specialist, and student achievement teacher are coming up with a plan for Kindergarten placement. We often get 200 students that we have little to no knowledge of their academic or social need registering for Kindergarten. Students are placed randomly in a classroom that may not be a good fit for them or their needs. We are currently working on a Kindergarten screening process that would give us academic information, but also let us get to know the whole child before assigning them to a classroom. Please be aware that students would start in classroom rotations, have opportunities to learn our system called PRIDE, and use social interactions with play for a couple weeks at the beginning of the year. Once students are screened, the team would then make the best decision for each child based on observations made, concerns about student behavior and academic need, teachers influence, and input collected from parents. The state of Arizona is piloting similar screeners for K-2 classrooms and if they determine what needs to be used, we would adjust our screener to meet the requirements of the state. Other grade levels will be meeting to place students for the next school year based on evidence collected this school year. Parents will once again have input using the form that is sent home in the spring. Please provide any input

> about your child that would help us select the best teacher for your child next year. We use data and teacher observation to select the best placement we can accommodate. Our goal is to provide the best academic and social environment to help your child be successful with classrooms that are equally distributed.

Thank You

Cathy Erickson Lake View Primary Principal

10 Things Every Parent Should Know about Play by Laurel Bongiorn

1. Children learn through their play.

Don't underestimate the value of play. Children learn and develop:

cognitive skills – like math and problem solving in a pretend grocery store

physical abilities – like balancing blocks and running on the playground

new vocabulary – like the words they need to play with toy dinosaurs

social skills – like playing together in a pretend car wash

literacy skills – like creating a menu for a pretend restaurant

2. Play is healthy.

Play helps children grow strong and healthy. It also counteracts obesity issues facing many children today.

3. Play reduces stress.

Play helps your children grow emotionally. It is joyful and provides an outlet for anxiety and stress.

4. Play is more than meets the eye.

Play is simple and complex. There are many types of play: symbolic, sociodramatic, functional, and games with rules—to name just a few. Researchers study play's many aspects: how children learn through play, how outdoor play impacts children's health, the effects of screen time on play, to the need for recess in the school day.

5. Make time for play.

As parents, you are the biggest supporters of your children's learning. You can make sure they have as much time to play as possible during the day to promote cognitive, language, physical, social, and emotional development.

6. Play and learning go hand-in-hand.

They are not separate activities. They are intertwined. Think about them as a science lecture with a lab. Play is the child's lab.

7. Play outside.

Remember your own outdoor experiences of building forts, playing on the beach, sledding in the winter, or playing with other children in the neighborhood. Make sure your children create outdoor memories too.

8. There's a lot to learn about play.

There's a lot written on children and play. Here are some <u>NAEYC articles and books about play</u>. David Elkind's The Power of Play (Da Capo, 2007 reprint) is also a great resource.

9. Trust your own playful instincts.

Remember as a child how play just came naturally? Give your children time for play and see all that they are capable of when given the opportunity.

10. Play is a child's context for learning.

Children practice and reinforce their learning in multiple areas during play. It gives them a place and a time for learning that cannot be achieved through completing a worksheet. For example, in playing restaurant, children write and draw menus, set prices, take orders, and make out checks. Play provides rich learning opportunities and leads to children's success and self-esteem.

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YEARBOOKS!

\$12.00 each

The Lake View Primary Yearbook Committee will be pre-selling yearbooks for the 2016-20167 school year from <u>February 6th until February 24th.</u>

After School Program

February 13th from 5:30 to 6:30 PM will be our B.I.N.G.O for books night! Come play B.I.N.G.O with us and win some books!!

This month homework help starts for kids already in the asp club.

Thank You, Brooklyn Keith, Nevaeh and Jayce Tapaha, Aaliyah Tucker, Brooklyn Myers and Darshaun Yazzie for raising money for the St. Jude Hospital. Remember this fundraiser is going until March 9th please get your donations in.

Lake View Primary received an award for recognition for celebration the School Choice Week last week, CONGRATULATIONS Lake View!

Lake View After School Program is excited to announce that we are putting together plans for a garden to be put in here at Lake View. This will hopefully start taking place next month. It's a great way to get our Children outside and learn the importance of growing your own foods along with learning to eat healthy.

<u>Book Fair!</u>

The book fair will be open all week, March 13th through March 16th, 2017

Mornings from 7:15 - 8:00 AM, and evenings from 3:00 - 3:45 PM.

The Book Fair will be open during Parent Teacher Conferences on Monday, March 13th from 6:00 – 8:00 PM and on Thursday, March 16th from 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Debit, credit, and cash excepted, No checks

Volunteers Needed!

We will need help to monitor students with purchases, set up and tear down of the fair. If you are interested in helping out you may leave a voicemail at extension 2129 or the front office. You may also email our amazing Librarian, Tammy Straub at tstraub@pageud.k12.az.us



Seeking Parent and Community Member Participation in Standards Working Groups

The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) is looking for parents and community members who are interested in participating in standards working groups by submitting an online application at <u>http://www.azed.gov/standards-practices/</u>. Applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis throughout the development and revision process. Upon review of applications, participants who meet the desired qualifications may be selected for working groups.

Parents and community members will engage in working groups through an accordion model at critical periods in the development and revision process. Attendance of parents and community members will vary at working group meetings to ensure a variety of stakeholders are represented from across the state. Parents and community members selected to participate in a working group meeting can anticipate volunteering approximately seven hours and may be reimbursed for mileage and lodging within the ADE guidelines. Parents and community members who possess specific content expertise or field knowledge may be called to other working groups meetings as needed. The visual below represents the critical periods where parents and community members would most likely participate.

Critical Period #1 September/October

- This time represents the meeting before the draft standards are released to the public for comment.
- It is anticipated that this meeting will occur during the September/October 2017 timeframe.

Critical Period #2 January/February

- This time represents the meeting after public comment has ended for the draft standards.
- It is anticipated that this meeting will occur during the January/February 2018 timeframe.

Critical Period #3 April/May

- This time represents the meeting before the draft standards are presented to the State Board of Education for adoption.
- It is anticipated that this meeting will occur during the April/May 2018 timeframe.

SCHOOL NURSE CORNER

February is National Children's Dental Health Month Teeth are important for eating, talking and having a nice smile. Teaching children good oral hygiene habits early can lead to a lifetime of healthy smiles.

Caring for your mouth is as important as caring for the rest of your body.

- -Cleaning our teeth helps keep them strong and healthy.
- -Clean teeth and mouth are parts of a clean body. By age 6 or 7, children should be able to brush their own teeth twice a day – with supervision until about age 10 or 11, to make sure they are doing a thorough job.
- -Cleaning teeth and gums removes a sticky film of plaque.
 - Plague contains harmful bacteria that can cause tooth decay. Plague is a sticky, clear film that forms on your teeth all the time. How plague contributes to cavities. Plague is bad for your teeth because it contains germs. The germs in the plague can hurt your teeth by helping to make a little hole called a cavity.
- -Brushing twice a day with toothpaste, flossing once a day, and limiting sugary snacks and beverages is how you do it.

Good nutrition. There is another way we can help keep our teeth clean and healthy. That is by eating and drinking healthy foods.

- Eating a mix of healthy foods for breakfast, lunch and dinner is the best way to keep your teeth and whole body in good shape.
 - -If you are hungry and need a snack, choose foods like fruit, low-fat cheese, low-fat yogurt, or raw vegetables.
 - -If you are thirsty, have a glass of water or low-fat milk.
 - -Don't drink too much sugary soda or eat too many sweets.

How can families help their children eat healthy at school?

- -Try new foods at home. Kids need many opportunities to taste a new food to "get used to it."
- -Eat lunch at school with your child. Learn more about what's offered and meet school nutrition staff.
- -Talk with your child about what's on the menu. Make sure they know about all the foods that are included in their school lunch.

During the summer, the National School Lunch Program ensures that low-income children continue to receive nutritious meals for breakfast and lunch while summer school is in session.



<u>Perfect Attendance</u>

The students below had perfect attendance for the month of January!

Aaliyah Tucker Aaliyah Spencer Abraham Ruffell Adrienne Honanie Ainsley Kerr Alesana Maize Allaura Scheffer Andrea Reed Angel Etcitty Anthony Willie Ashley Johnson Aubree Thomas AudrinaCalamity Avery Gene Bahozhoni Johnson Bryant Bella Bella Gonzales Benjamin Robinson Bentley Mike Bradley Luster Braiden Zahne Bryanna Martin Bruce Griswold Brynn Wright-Smith Caleb Tsinnijinnie Cameron Whitehorse Catrell Seaton Cayden Leo Christyna Byrom Colton McDaniels Connor Bizahaloni Dakotah Sloan Danika Simmons Danika King Dante Barlow Darian John Darnell King Davis Fowler DeMarius Morris Derren Yellowhorse Devin Begay

Dillion Leo Ean Beattu Elijah Valdo-Yazzie Emily Arreola Tucker Emma Eric Armstead Ethan Black Finx Sansosie Gabriel Simmons Halen Williams Haylee Herder Humberto Zaragoza Gutierrez Isabellae Boone Isaiah Thomas Jacoby Daniels Jacy Watson Jake Smith Jaksachon Paitoon Miller Jared Tapaha Jayce Jayce Tracy Jayven Deal JerRyan Thorne Jocelyn Barlow Fowler Joey John Linaris Justin Rivers Willie Justin Kade Watson Kameron Clay Kara Dejolie KasaileeStevens Katelynn Lamone Kaycee Curley Kayley Begay Keegan Dodson Kendra Rock Curley Kylie Kylie Robertson Kylie Parsons

Lauren Tsinigine Leana Tso Tso Logan Logan Henry Logan Rivers Madelyn Noble Manuel Diaz Mason Hansen Matheu Perry Matteo Watson Matthew Wingrove Mattisen Lane Morgan Moore Murkeelie Slim Myles Mattinson Myron Yellowhorse Nevaeh Tapaha Nizhoni Holmes Nizhonii McFarlin Nolan Jackson Rayyan Singer Reagan Kirchner Sabrina Bryant Samuel Nockideneh Sarah Martinez Scarlett Jennett Begay Sean Shaylin Curley Shelly Bitsoie Sophrianna Tallsalt Sydney Nockideneh Tarrin Thompson Tayden Benally Taulon Secodu Taylor Johnson Teairra Tadytin Tony Haskie Trace Bennett Trysten Christiansen Tyla Begay Tyler Ellis

Tyler Yazzie Tyler Yazzie Ursula Williams Vanessa Castelan Vohn Gonzales William Butler Zachary Bahe

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Candy Grams

Lake View Primary is selling Valentine Grams!

Students and families can buy Valentine Grams at the Lake View Primary office for

\$1.00

Buy one for your friend, favorite teacher, son, daughter...the options are limitless!

Selling 2/7 through 2/10 and 2/13

7:30 – 8:00 Wednesdays 9:00 – 9:30 In the Café or the Front Office

Valentine Grams will be delivered on

Tuesday, February 14th

We are in need of lollipops! If you would like to donate you may drop them off at the front office or send to school with your child.

Thank you for your support!