



West Ottawa Public Schools

Preparing Students to Be College, Career and Life Ready!



Lakewood Newsletter

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Michael Ghareeb, *Principal*

Sue Noble, *Secretary*

Greetings Lakewood Families,

For our first Panther Pathways session, we offered students the opportunity to participate in an opera class. On Monday, November 7, the students who participated in that offering along with students from Woodside who also received the training will be presenting a rendition of Hansel and Gretel to our entire student body. We are very excited for the performance and can't wait to see the kids in action.

Additionally, we will be starting a Lego League (Robotics) again this year. The team will meet on Thursday afternoons immediately after school and run until 5:00 pm. The first meeting will be held on November 17. If your child may be interested in this opportunity, please contact Roland Kass at rolandkass@yahoo.com.

Also, on Thursday, November 10 we will once again be holding a Veteran's Day assembly to honor those who are serving or have served in our armed forces. The event will take place at 10:00 am in the gymnasium. We are proud to host this event and we hope that we can make a difference in showing our gratitude to all of the veterans in our community. Although there will be limited seating due to it being a school wide assembly, we encourage you to join us if you can fit it into your schedule. We are also asking that students wear their "Lakewood Adventure" t-shirts to show our unity as a school community.

Finally, on Monday, November 14, we will hold school picture retakes from 9:00 - 11:00 am. If you would like your child to have their picture taken again, you can contact the office for a new order form or you can order online at geskusphoto.com/fallorders using the order code 407EXBUZYJFDP.

Please feel free to reach out to me at any time if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached directly at ghareebm@westottawa.net or at (616) 786-1300 ext. 3099.

Sincerely,

Michael Ghareeb



IMPORTANT DATES

Nov:

- 3 Report Cards**
View in Parent Portal
- 4 Report cards sent home with students**
- 7 RSVP Veteran's Assembly Invitation Due**
- 10 Veteran's Day Assembly**
10:00 a.m.
- 11 Half Day for Students**
Dismissal 11:52
- 14 Picture Retakes 9am - 11am**
- 14-17 Book Fair**
- 23-25 Thanksgiving Recess**

Did you see the specials pages?

**CHECK OUT THE PTO PAGE
FOR UPCOMING EVENTS**



Lakewood Elementary School is proud to honor some of our nation's veterans with a school-wide assembly on **Thursday, November 10 at 10:00**. The assembly is a great way for us to show our appreciation to local veterans. In addition, it gives the students a chance to recognize the many men and women who have served our country in various ways.

The veterans will also be invited to a reception at **9:30**, prior to the assembly.

We need your help! Do you know of any veterans who would like to attend our Veterans' Day Assembly? If so, please invite them! Please return the bottom portion of this letter to the Lakewood office by **Monday, November 7th** if you know of a veteran who is able to join us for this special occasion. Please feel free to send in a photo of your veteran to display in the showcase as well by Monday, November 7th

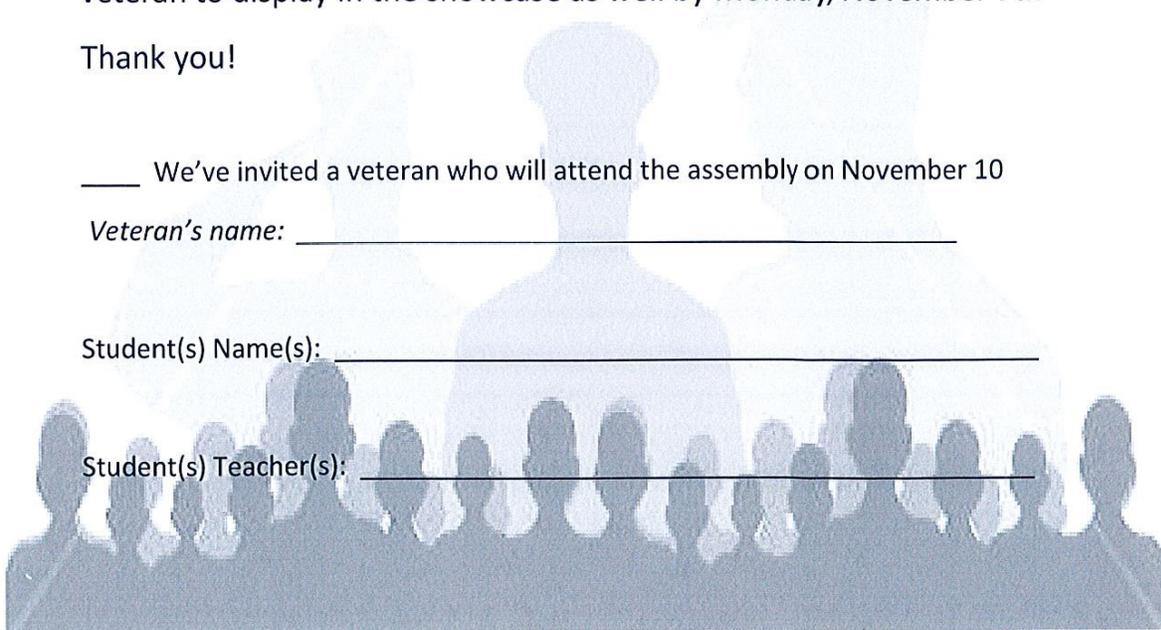
Thank you!

_____ We've invited a veteran who will attend the assembly on November 10

Veteran's name: _____

Student(s) Name(s): _____

Student(s) Teacher(s): _____



Need to contact the office?

Office Hours

Monday through Friday
7:45 AM—4:15 PM

Phone

(616) 786-1300

Email

nobles@westottawa.net

Sue Noble

Building Secretary



Visit the West Ottawa Public Schools website at www.westottawa.net for information on bus-
sing, food service, school calendar, etc.

Have you signed up for a Parent Portal account?

Access your child's student data from any-
where with Internet access! Visit
www.westottawa.net/parent-portal to log in or
for instructions on registering your account.



Volunteering?

Remember to submit a

Volunteer Profile

Click here for the link

[https://docs.google.com/forms/
volunteer](https://docs.google.com/forms/volunteer)

FOOD SERVICES

Need to add money to your student lunch account?

1. Call 616.786.1300 to receive your student's number
2. Click here to set up your account

<https://westottawa.familyportal.cloud/>

Apply for free and reduced lunches at the link
above

Quick Links

[Parent/Student Hand-
book](#)

[Lakewood FAQ](#)

[Infinite Campus Parent](#)



Get in the Loop with Lakewood!

Morning Drop Off

The morning bell rings at 8:36 AM. **Students arriving after 8:36 are considered tardy.**

To drop off a late student, please park in the south parking lot and walk your student to the front office.

Please remember to sign in your student.

Student Pick Up

If you need to pick up a student before normal dismissal time, please **give the front office a call** and email **your student's teacher**.

After 9:00 AM, you can park in the driveway directly in front of the office.

Please remember to sign out your student.



Please **do not** park in the circle drive by the front office between 8-9am and 3-4pm.

You may park in the large parking lot on the southside of the building.

Our special needs buses use the circle drive during those times and need full access to the drive to safely pick up and drop off our special needs students. Thank you for understanding!

SICK STUDENTS

Illness happens—we understand! If your student must stay home due to illness, **please call the front office. Tell us your student's name, teacher, and symptoms.**

Call 616-786-1300 and press "1" for the attendance line.

If a student becomes ill while at school, we may send the student home for monitoring with a parent or guardian. **Ensure your contact information and preferred emergency contacts are up to date in your student's file!**



NORMAL ILLNESS PROCEDURE

To reduce the spread of any illness within the school, we ask that you keep your child home if they are sick.

Please also keep your child home until they are 24-hours free of vomiting, diarrhea, and fever (without the use of fever-reducing medication).

And, of course, keep your child's teacher and the front office posted.



Get in the Loop with Lakewood!



The Great Start Readiness Program

The GSRP is a state-funded program for low-income families or families with certain environmental risks. To qualify, children must be four years old by September 1st of the enrollment year *and* proof of income submitted.

West Ottawa offers the GSRP at Pine Creek Elementary, Great Lakes Elementary, and Lakewood Elementary.

APPLY
HERE

Or visit www.helpmegrowottawa.org for more information,

Or call a **Care Coordinator** at Help Me Grow Ottawa: **(844) 233-2244**

SPANISH SPOTLIGHT WITH SEÑORA DILLON

Students enjoyed learning about Mexico's holiday Dia de los Muertos.

It is celebrated on November 1 and 2.

Fifth graders have also been looking at class subjects vocabulary. Ask your child to tell you his or her favorite class using the Spanish word below!

<p>Las Clases</p> <p>The Classes</p>	<p>Ingles</p>  <p>English</p>	<p>Arte</p>  <p>Art</p>	<p>Estudios Sociales</p>  <p>Social Studies</p>	<p>Ciencias</p>  <p>Science</p>
<p>Musica</p>  <p>Music</p>	<p>Educacion Fisica</p>  <p>Gym</p>	<p>Computadoras</p>  <p>Computers</p>	<p>Español</p>  <p>Spanish</p>	<p>Matematicas</p>  <p>Math</p>

One great resource is my website with online games and activities to practice Spanish:

<http://senoradillon.weebly.com/>





ART News



Please visit the Google Sites link below to keep up to date with all the awesome things happening in our Lakewood art room.

<https://sites.google.com/westottawa.net/mrs-halls-art-news/home>

Don't forget!

ART Makes You SmART!

Mrs. Hall





Moving with Metz!!

Hi Lakewood Families,

We've had some great weather the last few days, I hope you've been able to enjoy it!

In Physical Wellness, we are wrapping up Soccer with all classes. Students have improved at passing, shooting, and dribbling a soccer ball over the last few weeks.

I'm also very impressed with what great sports we have in our building. Students are having fun, enjoying playing against their friends, and making great choices so everyone can experience soccer safely.

Have a great weekend!

Mr Metz





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THE TECH LAB

Week of 10/31 - 11/04



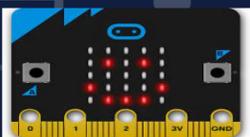
It was wonderful meeting and chatting with many of you at conferences! I love to share what we are learning in the lab!

Last week, we finished up with our digital citizenship activities and moved onto coding with Ozobots! Ozobots are little robots that are designed as an introduction to coding. Students use color combinations to move the ozobot on a path from one location to another. The possibilities for using this are endless!

Students have been working on some block coding using Micro:bits which are little pocket sized computers that display LED lights and patterns when programmed in different ways! Students have also been having fun with CodeSpark, and Candy Quest - both fun online coding activities!

I hope you all have a wonderful, happy weekend!

~Mrs. Fredrickson
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Lakewood Library News



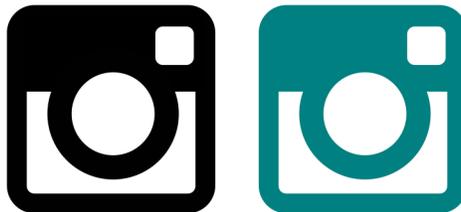
It's been perfect weather for reading outside to
soak up those last few warm days!

Library Check-Out Days

Tuesday & Thursday

Students are doing a wonderful job
remembering to bring their books back!

Thank you for helping them
remember to bring their



PICTURE RETAKES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14
9-11 A.M.



Music Notes *from Mr. Loughrin*

THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOL- DIER



As part of our preparation for our Veterans Day Assembly, student are learning about the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, located in Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA. Students watched a YouTube video of the changing of the guards and learned how these elite soldiers volunteer to be part of what is known as the “Old Guard”. Students were fascinated to learn that the tomb is guarded 24hrs a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year!

There are many videos on YouTube that show this serious and formal ceremony that occurs every hour. In addition, there are some wonderful “behind the scenes” videos that share the rigorous and demanding process of becoming a member of the Honor Guard and the detail and attention dedicated to bringing the ceremony as close to perfection as possible.

The Changing of the Guard: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4utXb3auOew>

Behind the scenes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VHc4oup12LM&t=200s>



Goodness! PTO is beyond grateful for this incredible Lakewood community. Huge Thank You to all who provided donations for the conference meals. Teachers and staff loved and appreciated all of it.

And... We had over 35 decorated trunks for our 2nd annual Trunk or Treat!!! We had beautiful weather and an incredible turn out. It was so nice to see all of our kiddos running around in their costumes with their friends. We hope you all had a blast!



JOIN US FOR AN
OUT OF THIS WORLD
BOOK FAIR!
COMING SOON!

NOVEMBER 14TH-17TH

8:45AM-3:30PM

Monday & Tuesday classroom preview/wishlist days
Wednesday & Thursday classroom shopping days

FAMILY NIGHT!

NOVEMBER 17TH 4PM-7PM

Come shop as a family and enjoy a sweet treat

PTO EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2022



POPCORN FRIDAYS
NOVEMBER 4TH & 18TH

VETERANS DAY ASSEMBLY
NOVEMBER 10TH

FALL BOOK FAIR
NOVEMBER 14TH - 17TH
FAMILY NIGHT NOVEMBER 17TH 4-7PM

PTO MEETING
NOVEMBER 15TH 3:45PM



Simple Ways to Support LAKEWOOD ELEMENTARY PTO



Simply by shopping at any local Family Fare or D&W Fresh Market and sending your receipts to school with your students, you can help us achieve our next goal!

For Every \$150,000 in receipts we collect, we will earn a \$1,000 donation from SpartanNash! With your support - and your receipts - we'll be continuing to raise money for Lakewood!

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When you shop online for your friends & family, Amazon will donate a portion of your purchases to our school. It's easy! Here's how:

- Head to <https://smile.amazon.com/>
- Login to your Amazon account
- Choose "Lakewood Elementary PTO" as your charity
- Start shopping!

OR

- Download the Amazon app on your phone
- Log into your Amazon account
- Go to Settings > AmazonSmile and "turn it on"
- Choose "Lakewood Elementary PTO" as your charity
- Start shopping!

LAKEWOOD ELEMENTARY PTO

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Dental Services



Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Miles of Smiles (MOS) dental program was established in 1995 and provides dental services for children at approximately 30 Ottawa County Schools annually. The mobile unit is 40 feet long, has 2 patient rooms, digital x-ray, waiting area and a wheel chair lift.

Unfortunately, MOS will not be visiting your child's school this year. However, we want to inform you that your child can be seen on our mobile unit when we locate at another Ottawa County School.

If your child/children have the qualifications listed below, please use the link or QR code to complete the dental consent form for each of your children.

Children 0-20 years old with **Medicaid insurance/Healthy Kids Dental or uninsured** who:

- Live or attend school in Ottawa County
- Do not have a dentist
- Have not had a dental checkup in the last 6 months
- Qualify financially

Click link below (Ctrl+Click):

[Electronic Miles of Smiles Application](#)



*If you have any questions or concerns please call **1-616-393-5694**.*

Sincerely,

Megan Arreola, RDH (*she, her, hers*)

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