



The Lakesider



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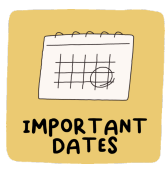
The Lakesider would like to congratulate last month's winners of the trivia contest: Alison Richie and Melanie Tucker! There will be some fun Lakeside swag coming your way!

TRIVIA: Name a book written by last week's special guest author for PARP week.

Please submit answers to:
thelakesider11566@gmail.com for the chance to win some fun Lakeside swag!
We will announce the winner each month.

FEBRUARY 2023

- 01| SEPTA Meeting 7pm at Lakeside
- 03| Student Council Spirit Day-
College Day
- 13| 100th Day of School
- 15| Reflections Award Ceremony/
4th Grade Chorus - 7pm (Lion's Den)
Founders Day Award Ceremony 7:30pm (Gym)
- 20 - 24| No School - Mid Winter Recess



GET INVOLVED WITH THE PTA

There will be vacancies for many positions for the 2023-24 school year. Call for Executive Committee Nominations will begin late February. It is not too early to begin thinking about chairing or volunteering on a PTA committee. If you have an interest in Cultural Arts, Lakeside Lunch Box Coordinator or Theater (4th & 5th grade parents only), please reach out to Melissa Warshaw to discuss further & answer any questions.

PTA REFLECTIONS

Congratulations to Nassau Region Finalists. Their work has been sent on to the NY State PTA for judging at the State level.

- Valentina Alfieri** - Literature; Your Voice, Your Choice
- Joseph Fitapelli** - Photography; Curiosity

Looking forward to celebrating all Reflections winners & participants on February 15th at 7pm in the Lion's Den. All work will be displayed in the lobby.



FOUNDERS DAY

Congratulations to this year's Founders Day Award winners: Jen Bennett, Julie Haber, Kate Isham, Melissa Levine, Cathy Soviero, Katie Stone and Penny Tomasello.

Mark your calendars for February 15th at 7:30pm as we celebrate this year's winners!



CULTURAL ARTS



On February 2nd, sixth graders will get to meet and hear about Marion Blumenthal Lazan, a Holocaust survivor. She is the author of the book 'Four Perfect Pebbles', which is all about her past experiences. Each sixth grader will receive a personalized copy of the book.

February 10th, all students will get to enjoy a virtual draw-along assembly with Kyle Tiernan.

February 15th, fifth graders will attend a virtual assembly called Virtual Music Technology with Brent Daniels. This was a favorite from last year!

Finally, our chess program, Chess Nuts, will begin for students in Grade 5 this month.



MARY POPPINS

The Theater Program will perform Mary Poppins on the evening of 4/27. More information to come on ticket sales. Students will have the opportunity to watch the performance on 4/26 or 4/27 during the school day.

SEPTA

On February 1st at 7:00pm at Lakeside, SEPTA will be hosting a meeting on Parent Burnout presented by Dodie Daniels from Parent to Parent. SEPTA's fourth meeting will be on Monday March 27th on Handling ADHD. This will take place at 7pm at Birch. There was an error in the calendar; March 28th is the incorrect date. We are hoping you all will come out to join us in watching this presentation.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Hey Lakeside Lions,

The Student Council Crew is busy working on many projects! Our service project for the month of February is about to begin. From February 1st through the 10th, there will be collection bins in the lobby. We are collecting various items to help the families that will be staying at the New York Metro Ronald McDonald house. A flyer with a full list of items has been sent home with each lion. Some of the items included on the list are: diapers, baby wipes, canned soup, canned fruit, and hot cocoa packets. Our goal is to make the families more comfortable while they are far away from home.

The service project planned for March is already in the making. The crew plans to sponsor a collection of items that will benefit the Hewlett House. The Hewlett House is a community resource center helping Long Islanders who are suffering with cancer. Keep your eyes open for a flyer outlining this worthwhile project.

February's Spirit Day is fast approaching. It will be held on Friday, February 3rd. The theme of the day is, College Day! The plan is to transform Levy Lakeside School into Lakeside University! Show off the gear of your favorite college or university!

A huge thank you to all the Lions who purchased Spirit Wear. The Student Council Crew appreciates the support you offer us.

Monday Lunch forms for February/March have gone home. Please return the form with payment on or before February 3rd.

Here's wishing all the Lakeside Families a February filled with Love and Peace!





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Dear Lakeside Families,

Founders Day 2022: We are thrilled to honor all the Founder's Day recipients on Wednesday, February 15th! The parents, teachers, staff, and community members that are being honored are a perfect example of the powerful impact individuals can have in the lives of our children. Working together as a school community is what enhances the educational experience for our students and makes Lakeside the best it can be! We offer our sincerest congratulations to Jen Bennett, Julie Haber, Kate Isham, Melissa Levine, Cathy Soviero, Katie Stone and Penny Tomasello.

PTA Reflections Program: We are also excited to honor the students who won the PTA Reflections Program based on their interpretations of this year's theme, "Show your voice..." Congratulations to all the students being showcased in our Reflections Day program on Wednesday, February 15 at 7 PM. Our grade 4 chorus will also be performing at this event.

See below for grade level updates!

Kindergarten

Lakeside's Kindergarten has been working hard and are becoming "Super Readers" (and writers!) We have been using our "Superpowers" to learn new words and read them in a "snap!" We are looking forward to the 100th day of school and can't wait to count and celebrate with our parents or special guests! If you look closely, you may even see some 100-year-old Lakesiders. We had so much fun at the in-school LICM "Build it!" assembly in December and are looking forward to going to the Children's museum in the Spring to see a live performance. We will keep working hard as we head into the New Year.





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Grade One

First graders are very busy learning all about nonfiction topics in reading. They are growing their curiosity and have been sharing their knowledge with their reading partners. They are writing how-to books and we are so excited to learn about what they are all experts in. We look forward to our February celebrations including the 100th day of school and Valentine's Day! We can't wait to see all the creative 100th-day-of-school t-shirts at our first-grade fashion show.

Grade Two

5-4-3-2-1...HAPPY NEW YEAR! The second graders at Lakeside have been busy at work implementing their New Year's resolutions. It's been a great start to 2023! In math, the students have entered a new unit of subtraction and are filling their math toolboxes with various strategies to solve 2-digit subtraction with regrouping. All of our classes have taken special time to discuss the admirable changes that Dr. Martin Luther King brought to our world. The children brainstormed and shared their own dreams for the future. We look forward to many more engaging activities this month!

Grade Three

The third grade has been busy completing their nonfiction books. Students wrote about a topic they were an "expert" in and designed a book complete with a Table of Contents. Some of the final pieces are being completed on PowerPoint, while others are using Book Creator or paper and pencil. Third Graders at Lakeside also imagined what it would be like to be trapped inside a snow globe. Students read the story Snow Globe Family by Jane O'Connor, which tells the tale of a family living inside a snow globe. They used this story to inspire their own snow globe creation and completed a creative writing activity where they wrote about what they would do if they were inside a snow globe for a day.





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Grade Four

After several weeks of preparing and rehearsing, Lakeside Fourth Graders are excited to perform their Native American Folklore presentations! In addition, we are working hard towards researching, typing and publishing our European Explorer journals which will be hanging up in front of our classrooms. We continue to study historical fiction in Reader's Workshop and essay writing in Writer's Workshop. Finally, we are becoming Fabulous Fourth Grade Fraction experts in Math!

Grade Five

The fifth graders have been learning about the life of Dr. Martin Luther King as well as the work of other Civil Rights leaders. Each class created a mosaic of Dr. King and added their ideas and dreams for a better world.

Grade Six

Sixth grade is looking BRIGHT for 2023! We have our new goals in place and are ready to conquer them all. In Chess Nuts the students have been loving the weekly lessons and strategies being taught. Remember...To ALWAYS protect your KING! Don't press send reminded us of the importance of thinking before we TEXT, SPEAK, and ACT. This is a life lesson we will always carry with us.

Finally, there are current vacancies for the Lakeside PTA positions including President. We welcome the chance to meet with anyone interested in these positions!

With warm regards,
Libby Trencheny and Meredith Kelly



PTA LAKESIDE LUNCH BOX

March PTA lunch will be available for ordering beginning **February 10th - 22nd** with late ordering from **February 23rd - 25th**. No ordering exceptions after the deadline. Scan the QR code to go directly to Boonli to place your order. Don't forget to check out after ordering & please remind your child/ren what you ordered for them.

Any questions regarding lunch, please contact: levyptalunch@gmail.com.



END OF YEAR DINNER

Are you going shopping? Do you own a business? If you have a favorite store, or your kids regularly attend an activity, why not drop off a donation letter to see if the business will participate in our End of Year Dinner raffle? If there's a place you're thinking about, email hayley.phoel@gmail.com to see if we are still looking for a raffle contribution. If you own your own business, or know someone who owns a business, why not consider donating a raffle prize? Your business can even "sponsor" a raffle prize to show your support.

We continue to look for volunteers. If you can spare 30 minutes, we will give you a list of merchants all clustered in the same area. It's a nice way to meet local vendors and also help out the End of Year Dinner Committee. Contact Hayley Phoel or Valerie Dorinson for more information.



LAKESIDE LOCKER

Get your Lakeside Locker swag... Don't forget to check the 'locker' for all things Lakeside. All items will be delivered directly to your child's classroom within a few days of ordering. Contact lakesidefundraising11566@gmail.com with any questions.



JOIN THE PTA!

It is not too late to join the PTA!
First parent/guardian: \$15
Second parent/guardian: \$5



You must be a PTA member to volunteer for any PTA activities/events/field trips/in-class event during the year. Stay involved by attending monthly PTA meetings, vote on current topics, elect Executive Committee members & share thoughts & ideas. Join now!

STAY CONNECTED: PTA FACEBOOK PAGE

Join the Lakeside PTA Page. Announcements, school updates & volunteer opportunities are shared on Facebook (in addition to email communication). Each grade has a 'grade level page' where parents can share information with each other within the grade.



PTA EMAIL COMMUNICATION

Please make sure you are signed up to receive general PTA emails & grade specific emails.

If you **ARE** receiving emails from the PTA, please update your child/ren's grade. To do this, scroll to the bottom of any PTA email. Click on "UPDATE PROFILE" link located on the bottom of any email you previously received from the PTA. Click on the blue link that says 'EDIT PROFILE'. Review & confirm the grade(s). Click 'UPDATE' when you are finished.

If you are **NOT** receiving PTA emails, please email levylakesidepta@gmail.com with your first/last name, child/ren's name & grade and you will be added to the database.



PASSIVE FUNDRAISING SUPPORTING THE PTA



HOW IT WORKS:

Buy participating products & use the mobile app to scan your store receipt.

The app automatically adds Box Tops to the PTA school earnings online. Box Tops are worth \$.10 with bonus offers throughout the year.

Scan the QR code to download the app. The school ID is 381099.



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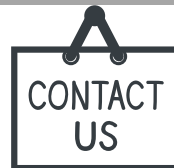
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PICTURES, CARDS, GIFT & MORE

Shop at Shutterfly and 8% of your

purchase will be donated to the PTA. Scan the QR code to link your account to the PTA Storefront before ordering. It's not too early to start thinking about holiday cards!



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