



# The Lakesider

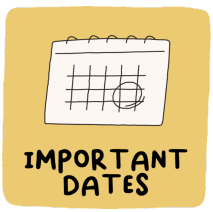


## WELCOME...

What did everyone think of the first issue of the **The Lakesider**? We would love your input, ideas & suggestions. Feel free to reach out to us directly. In each issue, we will include a trivia question about the school or town. Please submit answers to: [thelakesider11566@gmail.com](mailto:thelakesider11566@gmail.com). We will announce the winner each month.

**TRIVIA: Who are the last three Assistant Principals of Lakeside?**  
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## NOVEMBER 2022



- 02| PTA Meeting: 7PM**
- 03| Sports Night: 3rd Grade - 7pm**
- 04| Reflections Submission Deadline**
- 07| Thanksgiving Pie Order Deadline**
- 08| No School- Election Day**
- 10| Veterans Day In-School Ceremony**
- 11| No School - Veterans Day**
- 18-22| Book Fair**
- 22-23| Thanksgiving Pie Pick-up/ Parent-Teacher Conferences**
- 23-25| No School- Thanksgiving**
- 30| Photo Retake Day**

## VETERANS DAY



The Lakeside Veterans Day Celebration is back in-person for students on 11/10 and will honor veteran family members of students and will feature a number of distinguished guests. We will also be supporting veterans both local and abroad through the VFW. Please consider purchasing a flag (see QR code) by 11/4, asking your child to write a letter to a veteran by 11/7, and dropping off donations of toiletries to the bin in the lobby by 11/9.



## PTA THANKSGIVING PIES

Thanksgiving would not be complete without a fresh baked pie, cookies, soup or bread from White Post Farms. The 2022 order form is out - don't wait, send in your form before you miss out. Any questions regarding allergies, contact [ptomana@yahoo.com](mailto:ptomana@yahoo.com). Orders must be placed by November 7th. Pick-up at the school November 22th & 23rd. More info to come on pick-up times.  
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## 80'S SKATING PARTY

Grab your friends & join us for a night of skating at United Skates! All of Lakeside is invited. Proceeds support 6th grade! Thursday, November 17th from 6:30pm - 8:30pm. Skates & Admission fee: \$20  
Admission fee: \$6





## PRINCIPAL'S PAGE



Health and Wellness Week was a great success! Throughout the week of October 10th, students learned about healthy habits through daily activities and morning announcements. A huge THANK YOU to our PTA for their planning, preparation, and the Wellness Kits they generously provided for each classroom.

Unity Day on October 19th was enjoyed by all. Each class watched a video and completed an activity about being kind to others. Thank you to our social worker, Mrs. Schneider for organizing this.

The students had a fabulous time at our Boosterthon Fun Run on Friday, October 21st. Thank you to our sponsors & for all your support to make this event successful. The funds raised will be put to great use for our students. Additionally, we would like to thank the PTA and staff for helping to ensure a fun time for all. We hope you saw the pictures that were shared by the PTA.

The Red Ribbon Week Theme: Celebrate Life and Be Healthy occurred the week of Monday, October 24th. Our goal was to teach our students about making healthy and drug free choices. Thank you to our social worker, Lori Schneider, who coordinated the daily activities.

At the October Board of Education meeting, we expressed gratitude to our Board of Education as we recognized them for their unwavering commitment and dedication. The Lakeside community is extremely thankful for all that the Merrick Board of Education does to ensure that all our students are successful.

Please remember dogs are not permitted on school property unless they are a service animal.

Many Lakeside students are continuing their learning outside of the school building. Last month, our 6th grade students visited the DNA Learning Center in Cold Spring Harbor. Our 5th grade students explored the Nassau County Museum of Art and our 2nd grade classes visited the historic Old Bethpage Village Restoration.

Don't forget about our web-based supplemental curriculum programs that students and teachers will have access to throughout the 2022-23 school year. Clever will hold links to IXL, ThinkCentral, Keyboarding Without Tears, and others. Your child has or will receive login information for Clever. Based on grade level & curriculum your child may access one or more of these programs at some point of the school year. If you have any questions concerning one of these programs, please contact your child's teacher.

Merrick teachers are learners too! We continue to offer professional development to ensure our students are receiving the highest standard of instruction. Topics being discussed include but are not limited to: clear learning intentions, success criteria & assisting our students to become owners of their learning. Administrators & teachers visited classrooms to talk with children about their learning too. You would not believe what they had to say! Our goal is to assist our students understand what, why, & how they are learning.

We have a lost & found with several coats and sweatshirts. If you visit the building for parent/teacher conferences, please look to see if anything belongs to your child. Please label your child's coat, sweatshirt, or jacket with his/her name. This will enable us to return the item to them prior to being placed in the lost & found.



# PTA REFLECTIONS SUBMISSIONS



The Reflections program helps students explore their own thoughts, feelings and ideas, develop artistic literacy, increase confidence and find a love for learning. Students are encouraged to submit an original work of art in the following themes: dance, choreography, film production, literature, musical composition, photography, & visual arts. This year's theme: **Show Your Voice.**

The submission box is located in the lobby with a due date of November 4th.

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## 6TH GRADE YEARBOOK

6th Grade Parents, please don't forget to submit pictures of your children for the yearbook. Pictures should include a baby picture, a selfie picture of your child, and random pictures from their years at Lakeside. All pictures **MUST** be from school events (except the baby and selfie pictures). Please make sure they are in jpeg format, and email them to [Lakeside2023yearbook@gmail.com](mailto:Lakeside2023yearbook@gmail.com). Deadline to submit all pictures is November 15th.

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## NEW PTA PLAYGROUND

After several years of fundraising, we are excited to announce that on Wednesday, October 26th, excavation began for the new PTA Playground right outside the Cub's Cave. If everything goes smoothly, the first day of use should be Wednesday, November 9th. Pictures of construction have been posted on the Lakeside PTA Facebook Page. Ribbon cutting date TBD.

# LAKESIDE BOOSTERTHON

**Thank you** to family & friends for helping to make our Boosterthon such a success this year! We surpassed our goal and made over \$32,000! This money will be going towards funding Cultural Arts as well as a Book Vending Machine for the school.

### The event wouldn't be possible without our sponsors:

- Answering Legal • Graystone Properties • Coleman Country Day Camp • Matteo's • Boost Your Beauty MediSpa • Battiloro Law Group • Long Island Gastroenterology Specialists • Tomato and Basil Pizzeria • Bluebird Kitchen • Sentry Communications and Security • Off the Brook • Ocean and Open Bay Marinas • Langdon Title • Custom Closet Shoppe LLC • Minuteman Press - Merrick • Colony Cards & Gifts • Precision Pharmacy • Bagel Boss • The Homme • Meena G. Nadrroo M.D., P.C. • Blue Ocean Wealth Solutions • Motor Network Auto Leasing and Sales

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## PTA VENDOR FAIR

The holidays are quickly approaching and with shipping delays and supply issues, there is no better time to support your local vendors! Come out to the 16th Annual Lakeside Vendor Fair for some great holiday shopping! There will be clothing, jewelry, beauty, and camp vendors as well as personalized gift and collectibles vendors just to name a few! The fair will be held in the gym on Wednesday, December 7th from 6:30-9pm.

If you are interested in being a vendor please email [LakesideVendorFair@gmail.com](mailto:LakesideVendorFair@gmail.com).



# SEPTA

SEPTA will be hosting its next meeting on Thursday, December 1st at 7:00pm at Chatterton. Our guest speaker will be discussing ways to organize yourself for upcoming CSEs. Be on the look out for our flyer. On Thursday, November 17th, we are hosting our first fundraiser. This is a coding event. The session for grades K-2 is already filled up, however there are some spots left for the grades 3-6 session at 5:30. SEPTA would like to thank those of you that have already signed up to be a SEPTA member. If you have not done so yet, please consider signing up by scanning the QR code below.



# FOUNDERS DAY COMMITTEE

The Founders Day Committee Chairs will be looking for members for the Founders Day Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will consist of: (3) PTA Members from the General Membership & (2) PTA Members from the Executive Board. The Nominating Committee is responsible for receiving and organizing the nominations for Founders Day awards and voting for the Founders Day award recipients. Please attend the November 2nd PTA Meeting if you would like to be considered for this committee. The Founders Day Award Ceremony is being held on Wednesday, February 15th.

# CULTURAL ARTS

Chess Nuts is a weekly chess program that is available this month to our 6th graders.

4th grade will be taking a field trip to the Science Museum. November 4: Sullivan/Ryan, Flores and Arm; November 9: Reiner and Lagasse

# STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

Lakeside’s Student Council is off to a running start. After having just two meetings, the crew has many projects in the works. The Coats for Kids drive is well underway. So far, we have collected four large bags of assorted coats and jackets. We are hoping to keep the collection moving. The more coats we collect, the more neighbors we can help keep warm this winter.

The Student Council crew is working hard to wrap up several projects which were started last year. During the 2021–2022 school year, each Lakeside Lion painted a Kindness Rock. Student council paid for all the rocks and the materials needed to decorate them. Ms. Raadsen-Coviello worked with all the students to create beautiful rocks with uplifting messages. Now that the construction is completed, they will be placed out front for all to see. Next time you stop by, please make a point to look at all the messages of love and kindness!

How many times have students gotten to school and realized they left their water bottle at home? It happens more than you think. The student council crew jumped into action to offer a solution. They started with two cup dispensers which were mounted next to the water fountains in the 5th and 6th grade corridors. The crew voted to add five more cup dispensers so that each hallway will be outfitted with one. The cups needed to fill each of them will also be purchased.

Our new Monday Lunch form will be sent home in the beginning of November. Also, keep a look out for the Fall Spirit Wear order form. Many new items will be available!



# PTA LAKESIDE LUNCH BOX

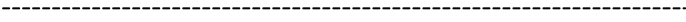
Please check the December lunch menu for changes & new menu items. December PTA lunch will be available for ordering beginning **November 10th - 22nd** with late ordering from **November 23rd - 25th**. No ordering exceptions after the deadline. Scan the QR code to go directly to Boonli to place your 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](mailto:levyptalunch@gmail.com).



# LAKESIDE LOCKER

Don't forgot to purchase all your LAKESIDE SPIRITWEAR. New ITEMS: Trucker Hats, Socks, Bracelets, Splatter Headbands & more. Water bottles & Absent Notepads, coming soon. All items will be delivered directly to your child's classroom. Contact [lakesidefundraising11566@gmail.com](mailto:lakesidefundraising11566@gmail.com) with any questions.



# MERRICK SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTRONIC DISCOUNT CARD

The discount card can be accessed via a cellphone app featuring 20+ local businesses. Use the app every time you shop to save \$\$.

The cost is \$21 (includes transaction fee).



# JOIN THE PTA!

Scan the QR code to join online today!  
First parent/guardian: \$15  
Second parent/guardian: \$5



You must be a PTA member to volunteer for any PTA activities/events/field trips during the year. Stay involved by attending monthly PTA meetings, vote on current topics, elect Executive Committee members & share thoughts & ideas. Parents & staff who join the PTA by 10/31 will be entered to win a gift card. The winner will be announced 11/1.

# 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](mailto: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.



### 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!



### DO YOU SHOP ON AMAZON?



The PTA receives a donation of .5% on eligible purchases. And it is no cost to you.

To get started, scan the QR code. Select: PTA New York Congress 10-139 Norman J Levy Lakeside Schl. If you are using the app, once you set it up, it is there & ready for shopping.

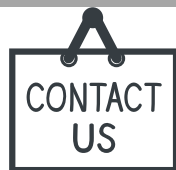


### DON'T FORGET TO LABEL...



Never lose an item again.. Keep track of your kid's belongings with durable, disinfectant labels. No sewing required. Peel & Stick. Washer/dryer safe.

Dishwasher safe. Microwave safe. 25% of your order supports the PTA.



If you have any questions or would like more information about the PTA, SEPTA or STUDENT COUNCIL, contact:

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