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4 • Zoom Workshop-Fun & Practical Ways to Help Your Help Child Read at Home@ 7:00

4-8TH • National School Psychologists' Week

5 • **School Closed** – Superintendent's Conference Day/Election Day

6 • Picture retake day and Club Photos

7 • 5th grade field trip "Project Adventure"

8 • Veteran's Day Assembly

11 • **School Closed** – Veteran's Day

12 • BOE Meeting @ 7:00pm

15 • 1st grade trip to LICM

19 • **PTA Meeting @ 7pm**

22,25,26 • Book Fair

26 • Parent Teacher Conferences (5:30-8:30pm)

27 • **School Closed** – Parent Teacher Conferences

28,29 • – **School Closed** - Thanksgiving Recess

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.




Retake day will be on **11/6** in addition to 6th grade club pictures.

There is no need to sign up for retakes - just send a note to your teacher to let them know to send your child down to the gym!

Here's how to order your school portraits!

irvin simon PHOTOGRAPHERS



Norman J. Levy Lakeside School

Step 1: visit pictureday.com

Step 2: enter online code:

474494
 + First 3 Letters of First Name
 + First 3 Letters of Last Name
 For Example: Jillian Jones = 474494JilJon

Step 3: Place your order and enjoy!

pictureday.com





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NATIONAL PTA® REFLECTIONS®

Help your child express their creativity through Reflections, a national PTA program that helps students explore their 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: literature, photography, & visual arts. This year's theme:

Accepting Imperfection

<https://form.jotform.com/242525538469062>



More information will be in your child/ren's red folder. **Artwork is due by November 5th.**

Questions?

Email reflectionslevylakeside@gmail.com

PTA LAKESIDE LUNCH BOX

The Lakeside Lunch Box is open every month for regular ordering from the **10th to the 22nd.**



Late ordering is open every month from the 23rd to the 25th.

Please be on the look for special items offered each month.

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

HELP SUPPORT SEPTA!

PLEASE JOIN THE MERRICK SCHOOL DISTRICT SEPTA FOR OUR

INCLUSION WEAR SALE

SUPPORT YOUR SEPTA AND CELEBRATE DIVERSITY & INCLUSION!!



SUPPORT MERRICK SEPTA BY PARTICIPATING IN OUR INCLUSION WEAR SALE, PROMOTING KINDNESS AND ACCEPTANCE! IN HONOR OF RED RIBBON WEEK, LET'S UNITE AGAINST BULLYING AND WEAR OUR GEAR PROUDLY TO FOSTER A POSITIVE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT!



WEBSTORE OPEN

*Sale Ends Friday
November 8th, 2024*

Please use QR CODE to access our webstore and see all of our great purchasing options!!





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LEVY LAKESIDE PTA SALUTES OUR VETS

★★★ THE LAKESIDE WALL OF HONOR & FIELD OF STARS ★★★

FOR VETERANS DAY, LAKESIDE WILL PAY RESPECT TO OUR VETERANS AND CURRENT SERVICE MEMBERS WITH TWO BEAUTIFUL DISPLAYS:

OUTDOOR FIELD OF STARS:
A STAR FEATURING YOUR SERVICE MEMBER'S NAME (OR AN ANONYMOUS VET), AS WELL AS YOUR STUDENT'S NAME, WILL BE DISPLAYED ON LAKESIDE'S FRONT LAWN 11/4-11/15.

INDOOR WALL OF HONOR:
WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR VETERAN'S STORY! SUBMIT HIS OR HER PHOTO AND BIO TO BE INCLUDED ON OUR "WALL OF HONOR" LOCATED INSIDE THE SCHOOL BUILDING. INCLUDED WITH YOUR PURCHASE OF A STAR!

Receive Both For \$5

Wall & Field Will Be Displayed 11/4-11/15.
Please submit all info via Cheddar Up by November 1.
<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/veterans-day-2024>

Thank you! Any questions, please reach out to Gina Sonbert, lakesideveteransday@gmail.com

The Lakeside Veterans Day Celebration for students on **11/8** will honor veteran family members of students and will feature a number of distinguished guests. We will also be supporting veterans both locally and abroad through the VFW. Please consider asking your child to write a letter to a veteran, purchasing a star to honor a vet in your life (<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/veterans-day-2024>), or dropping off donations of toiletries to the bin in the lobby by **11/8**. Thank you for your support!

★★★ LEVY LAKESIDE PTA WILL BE COLLECTING ★★★

DONATIONS FOR VETERANS

OCT 28- NOV 08

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WE WILL BE COLLECTING PERSONAL ITEMS AND TOILETRIES TO BE SENT TO OUR VETERANS LOCALLY, AS WELL AS OVERSEAS, BOTH IN CONFLICT AREAS INCLUDING THE MIDDLE EAST, AS WELL AS THOSE IN HOSPITALS SUCH AS LANDSTUHL REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER (LRMC) IN GERMANY.

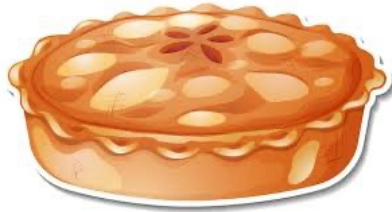
THERE WILL BE A BIN IN THE LOBBY FOR COLLECTION. YOU MAY ALSO SEND ITEMS WITH YOUR CHILD TO BE COLLECTED BY HIS OR HER TEACHER.

ITEMS NEEDED MOST INCLUDE:

TOOTHPASTE, TOOTHBRUSHES, UNSCENTED SOAP, UNSCENTED SHAMPOO, CONDITIONER, DEODORANT, LIP BALM, MOUTHWASH, DISPOSABLE RAZORS, SHAVING CREAM, CROCS & SNEAKERS (NEW/ALL SIZES), SWEATPANTS & LONG-SLEEVED T-SHIRTS (NEW/ALL SIZES), DUFFEL BAGS (NEW)

THANK YOU! PLEASE SEND QUESTIONS TO LAKESIDEVETERANSDAY@GMAIL.COM

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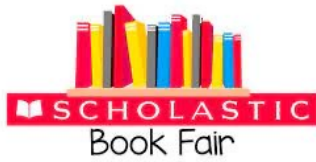
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BOOSTERTHON

The PTA would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to our Lakeside community for all of your support during our Boosterthon Fundraiser. Thanks to all of you and our sponsors, we **surpassed our goal and raised over \$28,000!**

This money enables the PTA to sponsor field trips for each grade as well as provide assemblies and special school programs for our students including a new program starting this year, the garden club! Stay tuned for photos from the Fun Run! The kids had a blast!

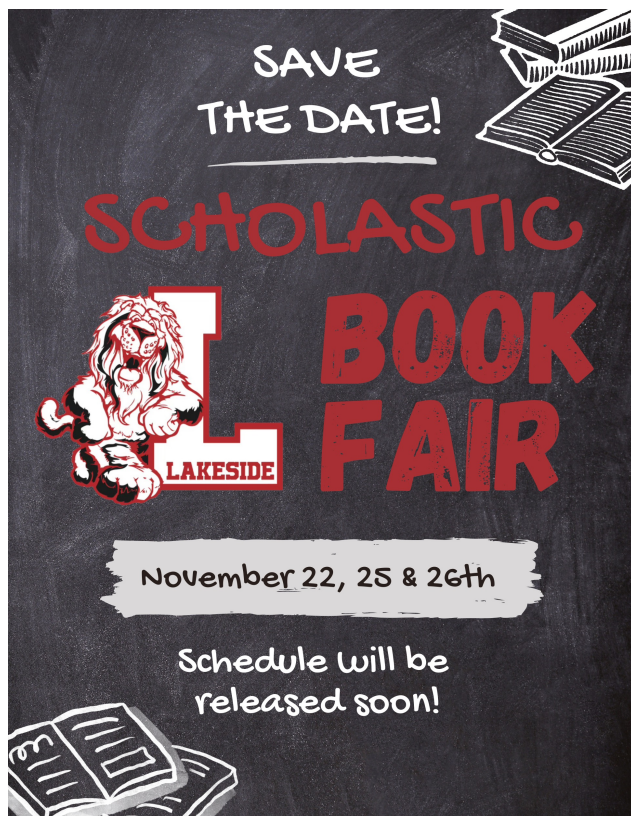




We are excited to announce that Levy Lakeside's Scholastic Fall Book Fair will be held on November 22, 25 & 26th. Be on the lookout for the class schedule for the fair which will be released soon!

Parents will also have the opportunity to purchase books during parent-teacher conferences on November 25th.

Apple Pay & Credit Cards will be accepted again at this year's book fair in addition to cash.



STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

The Lakeside Student Council is off to an amazing start!

Our first service project is the collection of gently used coats and boots. We are accepting all sizes, infant to adult.



We will continue the drive until November 1st.

Our next service project is to assist our neighbors down south who have been impacted by the recent hurricanes. Keep your eyes out for a notice with specific details.

Our first Spirit Day of the year will take place in **November 22nd**. The theme of the day is **Sports Day!** Wear your favorite cap, jersey or hoodie!



We will continue the collection of clean mascara wands and previously worn prescription eyewear.



All of the collected donations will go to help others. It is so cool to take something that would normally be put in the trash and repurpose it into something so desperately needed! Thanks for all your support!





COMING IN DECEMBER...



LEVY LAKESIDE PTA
2024
VENDOR
FAIR

READY, SET, SHOP!

THURSDAY DECEMBER 5TH
6:30 - 9:00 PM
LAKESIDE GYMNASIUM

WATCH THE LAKESIDE PTA FACEBOOK PAGE
FOR DETAILS ON PARTICIPATING VENDORS



We are excited to bring the Lakeside
Holiday Boutique back this
year on **Dec 16, 17 and 18th.**

Be on the lookout for more details
soon!

LOOK OUT IN DECEMBER FOR ...

- 3 • SEPTA Meeting @7pm Chatterton
- 5 • Vendor Fair
- 10 • BOE Meeting @ 7:00pm
- 11,12 • Winter Concert for School @9:15am
- 12 • Winter Concert for Families @7:00pm
- 16-18 • Holiday Boutique

23-31 • **School Closed** – Winter Recess

1-3 • **School Closed** – Winter Recess



PTA VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

If you are interested in lending a hand for any of
the following events, please contact the committee
members below.

Lunch (ongoing) - levyptalunch@gmail.com

Vendor Fair Volunteers needed:

Email lakesideptavendorfair@gmail.com or text
Hayley Phoel at 516-353-1419.

Raffle Prize Table (7 people)

Vendor Fair Snack Stand (4 people)

Vendor Fair Floaters (5 people)





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Dear Lakeside Families,

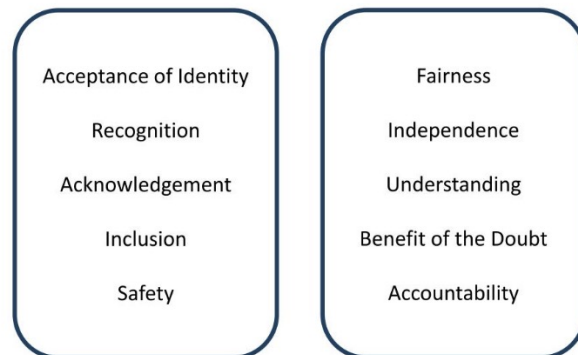
During our first trimester in computers and technology, the students discussed the importance of Digital Citizenship, specifically staying safe and smart while spending time online. In addition, they explored various age-appropriate topics, such as balancing digital media and making safe and smart social media posts. Specifically, we emphasized creating posts that do not reveal private information (full name, age, address, town, school name, etc.) and visiting school and family-approved websites.

As your children's safety is our top priority, please utilize resources below to continue to reinforce the conversation at home with your children.

- [Helping Kids Balance their Media Lives](#)
- [TikTok Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Family Media Promise](#)
- [Help! My Kid Wants to Use Social Media](#)

We continue to utilize our SEL Second Step Program and incorporate the Dignity Elements. The dignity elements are below:

Ten Elements of Dignity



Each month the classroom teachers emphasize one of the Dignity Elements. Thus far, we have discussed independence, recognition and in November we will focus on safety.





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BUS BEHAVIOR AND SAFETY

On November 1, our students participated in a bus drill. The goal is to encourage positive behavior on the school bus, ensuring that all children's experiences are enjoyable and comfortable. We encourage you to review and discuss our Lakeside Community Bus Rules included below. We look forward to continuing to meet throughout the year to engage in community building activities, work together to problem-solve specific issues, and generate ideas for responsible group behavior.

Stay seated at all times; the driver or a teacher may tell you where to sit.

Always respect others, the bus, and yourself. *Be a Bucketfiller and ROARS student.*

Flinging things in or out of the bus is not allowed.

Eating and drinking on the bus are not allowed.

Talk quietly; no hurtful words.

You are responsible for your actions.

LOST AND FOUND: When you are in the building, please stop by our lost and found to see if your child misplaced a clothing item or lunchbox/water bottle. If you have not already done this, please label all student jackets, lunch boxes and water bottles with your child's name. This way we can return the item to your child.

MORNING ARRIVAL: If you use the front circle during morning drop-off, please keep the following in mind to help keep the flow of traffic moving:

- Have students ready to exit the vehicle once you are in the loop (i.e. have materials in hand such as bookbags, water bottles, etc.).
- Have students exit the vehicle to the curbside.
- Parents/guardians should always remain in the vehicles.
- Please refer to Jason, our security agent, for instructions. We try to move vehicles up as far as possible so we can get as many cars/buses into the loop at once. This will help speed up the process for everyone.

Thank you for your ongoing assistance with this.





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Below are updates from the Lakeside staff:

Pre-K	This month pre-k learners have been exploring our math curriculum including counting, number recognition and adding. We are starting Second Step for social-emotional learning. We are so excited to be doing an apple experiment in the last week of October! We will be completing many crafts to take home and learning about letters D, E, F, and G. We have been enjoying the beautiful weather and are looking forward to Halloween Fun!
Kindergarten	The learners at Lakeside are “falling” in love with Kindergarten. We have quickly settled into a routine and are striving to be “Bucketfillers” every day. We are working on “show and tell” in our writing, shared reading and beginning addition and subtraction. We had so much fun at the Boosterthon, and are looking forward to more fun on Halloween!
1 st Grade	First Graders have been awesome word detectives during reading workshop and received their official badge! They began opinion writing and were super excited to be writing about their collections, we are learning all about shells, cars, rings, rocks and so much more. In math, they are practicing the double facts. The word of the month was recognition, and we discussed how we can honor someone’s dignity by recognizing and celebrating their special qualities. We are looking forward to the Halloween parade and our Fall trip to the Long Island Children’s Museum!
2 nd Grade	Second Grade is having a wonderful October wrapping up our first reading and writing units. Writers have published their first small moment stories after learning how good writers revise with details like talk and action. On Wednesday, October 23 rd students had an autumnal adventure at Old Bethpage Village Restoration learning about how colonial long islanders lived life long ago. Students are looking forward to STEM centers on Halloween!
3 rd Grade	Third graders are becoming marvelous multipliers as we have begun to learn all our multiplication facts! We are using many different strategies to help us multiply. We are wrapping up our writing unit by revising our all-about books and making our writing sound sophisticated. We are recognizing our friends and family for what makes them special and unique. We cannot wait to start our weather unit in science.





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Below are updates from the Lakeside staff:

4 th Grade	Fourth Grade is in full swing! We are taking our multiplication facts to the next step by using them to solve larger, multi-digit problems. The whole grade has been digging into character traits and changes while reading <i>The Tiger Rising</i> . This month, students began learning about Earth Science. We examined how rainfall affects living things in different regions. Soon we'll be getting back into Social Studies where we will be learning how different Native American groups lived in what is now New York State.
5 th Grade	The fifth graders continue to work hard throughout the day. Narrative writing is the current writing unit, and the students are learning to write about things that truly matter to them. They just completed their first science unit of the year, which focused on matter. Students spent their time reading articles and infographics, participating in hands-on experiments, and answering questions to help them to better understand this topic. In math, students have started to learn all about decimals and are doing an amazing job figuring out how to add and subtract them (while not forgetting to line up their decimal points)!
6 th Grade	The sixth grade had an incredible experience at the Cold Spring Harbor Dolan DNA lab. The students got a chance to extract DNA from wheat germ, learn the true story of Anastasia Romanov, and explore in their interactive museum. They were amazed by the replica of Otzi the Iceman. Only three were made in the world. Each student went home with a souvenir of a DNA necklace. It was an incredible day spent learning, exploring and bonding.

FLES	<p>In Señora Casey's Spanish classes, Third Graders have been learning greetings, weather, emotions, and numbers in Spanish! They are also participating in a Mariposa (butterfly) Migration Project, and their butterfly designs are on their way across the country!</p> <p>In Señora Casey's Spanish classes, Fourth Graders have been continuing their learning of Central America and the weather and seasons they experience! Their weather is muy diferente (very different) from ours!</p> <p>In Señora Casey's Spanish classes, Fifth Graders have been identifying and expressing their favorite and least favorite pasatiempos (hobbies) in Spanish. Students enjoyed playing a game to guess the hobbies their character liked/loved/disliked!</p> <p>In Señora Casey's Spanish classes, Sixth Graders have been learning even more about España (Spain)! Students recently "went shopping" online at La Boqueria, the world-famous food market in Barcelona.</p>
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Below are updates from the Lakeside staff:

Computers	National Digital Citizenship week was October 14-18. The students have all been learning about the importance of being safe, responsible, and respectful while online.
Phys Ed	<p>During the month of October in Mr. Corrao and Mr. Wingler's Grades K-2 classes, the students participated in movement activities and Halloween games. Grades 3-6 have been learning skills associated with the sport of Football. As we move into November, we will focus more on fitness and Large Group Games.</p> <p>During the Month of October Mrs. LaCommare's 3-6 students have been finishing up their soccer unit. In Grades K-2 students have been working on building vocabulary skills utilizing the words on the wall and focusing on ball skills. All grades have been participating in Halloween activities. In the coming months, students will be focusing on fitness skills and cooperative large group games.</p>
Music	Music students at Levy Lakeside School are learning to read rhythm. Students are performing rhythms on unpitched and pitched percussion instruments. Lakeside musicians are singing and showing hand symbols for the notes of the major scale. Lakeside musicians are always asked to participate as respectful audience members. Students are overwhelmingly achieving their goals as audience members simply by treating others the way that they would like to be treated.
Art	<p>Lakeside's artists are being inspired by nature, literature, artists and their imagination!</p> <p>Primary students are exploring various watercolor resist techniques inspired by fall leaves, textures, feelings and picture books!</p> <p>Our 5th graders have become graphic designers creating words that look like their meaning.</p> <p>3rd graders are inventing their own mixed-up animals and creatures!</p> <p>There's no limit to their imagination and creativity!</p>
Library	Students in grades K-2 have been learning about the different parts of a book, the differences between fiction and nonfiction, and the roles of an author and illustrator. They have also been participating in activities in which they are becoming comfortable understanding the organization of the library. Our 3 rd and 4 th graders have become experts using the digital catalog through lessons and a scavenger hunt. This is helping them become more independent users of any library they may visit. We are embarking on our digital citizenship lessons as we move into next month.

We look forward to seeing you at Parent-Teacher Conferences on November 26 and November 27.
With warm regards,

Libby Trencheny and Chris Colarossi





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Have Something to Share?

If you have news to share with our PTA community, drop us a line for consideration in the next issue of The Lakesider.

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