

LAKESHORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, January 9th School Site Council Meeting 6:30 PM

Wednesday, January 11th PTA Meeting

6:30 - 8:00 PM, Lakeshore Community Room

Monday, January 16th Martin Luther Kind Day No School

Monday, January 23rd Lunar New Year No School

Asobi Club-Japanese Language and Cultural Enrichment Program, Winter 2012

AKEMASHITE, OMEDETO GOZAIMASU! A Happy New Year! The new session will start on January 10th. Any Lakeshore student is welcome to join. However, there are only few spaces available. Please email me by Thursday, January 5th, and turn in the application by Friday, January 6th.

Asobi Club meets on Tuesdays from 3:30 till 4:40. Winter 2012 starts on January 10th, and ends on February 28th (8 weeks for \$64). Fees collected will be donated to Lakeshore PTA.

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January 4, 2012

Message from Ms. Keener

Welcome back from your Winter break! I hope you are all ready for a busy second semester. It seems like we return and before you know it we are nearing the end of the year! Here are a few highlights of what is coming up in the next few months!

Document Cameras and Projector Installation

The installation of document cameras and projectors in our classrooms is long overdue and I am happy to report that all document cameras and projectors were installed during the Winter break!

No Name Calling Week

The week of January 23rd-27th we recognize No Name-Calling Week! This is Lakeshore's third year of recognizing and celebrating this event. The young adult novel "The Misfits" by popular author, James Howe, inspired No Name-Calling Week. The book tells the story of four best friends trying to survive the seventh grade with frequent taunts and name calling based on their weight, height, intelligence, and sexual orientation/gender expression. Motivated by the inequities they see around them, the "Gang of Five" (as they are known) creates a new political party during student council elections and run on a platform aimed at wiping out name-calling of all kinds. The No-Name Party wins the support of the school's principal and their idea for a "No Name-Calling Day" at school.

Join us as we teach and model for our Lakeshore students the importance of no name calling, bullying and taking a stand, doing the "right" thing and making good choices!

Spring Parent Teacher Conferences

Spring Conferences are just around the corner! They are scheduled for the week of March 5th. This is an

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early reminder that students are dismissed at 2:30 for the entire week. Please plan accordingly!

STAR Testing

All Lakeshore students in grades two through five will participate in the following assessments in the STAR program:

- California Standards Test (CST) in English Language Arts and Math - Grades 2-5/Wednesday, April 4th through Thursday, May 3rd
- California Writing Standards Test (CWST) Grade 4/Tuesday, March 6th
- California Modified Assessment (CMA) Grades 3-5 as specified by IEP/Wednesday, April 4th through Thursday, May 3rd
- California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) – Students with significant cognitive disabilities whose disabilities prevent them from taking the CSTs with accommodations or modifications or the CMAs with accommodations/Wednesday, April 4th through Thursday, May 3rd.

A detailed STAR testing schedule (excluding the CWST) will be provided to parents before Spring Break.

Spring Break

Spring Break is Monday, March 26th- March 30th. It is important that your child is in school during regular school days. Please plan your Spring vacations around these dates.

"The things I don't like, I will try to change."

Medgar Evers, US Civil Rights Activist

Two Lakeshore Email Lists

Lakeshore has a new email list that is used only for messages from Principal Keener and for electronic versions of our Wednesday handouts. Ms Keener hopes that every parent will sign up for this list. To subscribe, please send an email to:

lakeshoreNews-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Also, if you have not already joined the main Lakeshore email list where discussion of school events takes place, now would be a good time! To subscribe, send an email to:

lakeshorePTA-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

If you have any problems, contact Mike Conte at 415-238-4673 or email contenetcom@yahoo.com.

The Paw Print Press is sent home to Lakeshore families every Wednesday. If you have something you'd like to include in next week's Paw Print Press, please email it to pawprintnews@yahoo.com by Friday evening.



