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# The Paw Print Press

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>**

**PTA Meeting**

6:30-8:00pm, Lakeshore Community Room  
Childcare provided.

**Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**

**GATE Informational Meeting for Parents**

5:30pm, Room 115

**February 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>**

**Lakeshore Book Fair**

**February 6<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>**

**Lakeshore Read-A-Thon**

**Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Math and Literacy Night**

Lakeshore Community Room

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## Room 2 Architecture Project On Display at SF Library

We are proud to announce that one of our architecture projects constructed by Room 2 students is currently on display at the Merced Branch of the San Francisco Public Libraries (155 Winston Drive @ 19th Ave.). Bring your family, children, and friends to view the California Indian Tribe Structures built by Mr. Glover's second grade students with support from architects of the San Francisco Architecture Foundation.

January 25, 2012

## Message from Ms. Keener

### Read-A-Thon

February is all about reading and jam packed with fun activities for the whole family! The **Read-a-thon extends from February 6-17<sup>th</sup>** and **the Book Fair opens up in the library on February 6<sup>th</sup>**. The Read-a-Thon provides a wonderful opportunity to support our PTA while also involving our children and encouraging their love of reading! Watch for the Read-a-Thon packets that will be coming home with information about the upcoming activities and incentives! Be sure to stop by and visit the Book Fair during **Math and Literacy Night on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**.

### Common Learning Assessments-Grades 2-5

The week of February 13<sup>th</sup> students in grades 2-5 will be given the CLA in English Language Arts and Math. The results of the assessments are used to guide teacher planning and instruction in an effort to ensure student proficiency on the California State Standards at their grade level. Please have a discussion with your child and encourage him/her to do their very best. We appreciate your partnership and support!

*"If you want others to be happy, practice compassion. If you want to be happy, practice compassion."*

*The Dalai Lama*

## Spring Auction Changes

This year the annual Spring Auction, the PTA's most important fundraiser, will be an online event for one week at the end of April. This new format will allow access for a larger group of participants. We need help with donor and sponsor solicitation, entry of donations to the auction database and more. Please contact Lisa Kadyk at [lckadyk@yahoo.com](mailto:lckadyk@yahoo.com) if you can help.

## Read-A-Thon Volunteers Needed

The annual Lakeshore Read-A-Thon will be held February 6-17. We could use one or two more people to help us with tasks such as: 1) purchasing prizes, 2) assembling envelopes with sponsor forms and reading logs for each student, and 3) distributing envelopes to each classroom and explaining the Read-A-Thon.

Please email me if you can help us with one of these jobs to make this important fund-raising event a big success!

Lisa Kadyk  
lckadyk@yahoo.com

## GATE Informational Meeting

An informational meeting for Lakeshore's Gifted and Talented Program (GATE) will be held for parents on Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 PM in room 115. Students are identified as GATE students beginning in the third grade. A site-based team considers a variety of factors, including teacher recommendation, report card grades, parent recommendation, and test scores. For more information, contact Jane Jones, Gate Coordinator, at [jnsjane429@aol.com](mailto:jnsjane429@aol.com).

## Typist Volunteers Needed for Poetry Anthology

Each year, poetry written by students in grades 2-5 is collected and published in an anthology that is sent home with students. This anthology would not be possible without the help of volunteer typists who turn hand-written student work into a beautiful final product!

If you are a good typist and have a few hours to donate to this important project, please contact Jeanette Cavano as soon as possible at [jcavano@comcast.net](mailto:jcavano@comcast.net). Help is needed now and later in the school year. Thank you!

## Denman Middle School Coalition

The Parents for Public Schools (PPS) has a Quality Middle Schools Initiative. PPS invited parents from the various "feeder schools" to a meeting at Denman on Jan. 11. Parents from Lakeshore, Miraloma, Sunnyside and Sheridan attended in addition to PPS and the Denman principal. Parents shared their schools' programs for transitioning to Middle School and how/where parents get information about the middle schools.

One goal of the meeting is to build a coalition composed of the current Denman community and families who will feed into Denman. Some goals of the coalition are to inform the feeder schools about the programs that Denman offers, provide opportunities for families to get to know Denman through visits and community events, and work with the Denman principal to advocate for Denman causes.

The coalition aims to have 2 representatives from each feeder school. If you are interested in representing Lakeshore (especially families with 3rd or 4th graders) please contact Lisa Kadyk ([lckadyk@yahoo.com](mailto:lckadyk@yahoo.com)) or Ben Polacco ([bpolacco@gmail.com](mailto:bpolacco@gmail.com)).

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