



The Paw Print Press

IMPORTANT DATES

THIS WEEK!

Ends Friday

Lakeshore Read-A-Thon

Friday, February 17th

Furlough Day

No school

Monday, February 20th

President's Day

No School

Wednesday, February 22nd

Art Committee Meeting

3:45 pm, Room 13

March 5th – 9th

Parent-Teacher conference week

2:30 pm dismissal all week

Help Raise Funds for Lakeshore with Scrip

Order forms for Scrip are going home with the students today (February 15) and are due back to teachers by Wednesday February 22. Orders should be distributed on or around March 1. Check out the list, you can purchase cards to use at movie theaters, grocery stores, clothing stores, Amazon.com, iTunes, or Groupon. Many cards are also available for immediate purchase online. Go to: <http://www.shopwithscrip.com/shop> and click on ScripNow. The next order forms will be sent home in late March or early April and the final order for the year will be in May.

February 15, 2012

Message from Ms. Keener

Parents/Guardians,

Thank you to everyone who is participating in the Read-A-Thon and who attended our Math and Literacy Night! It was a fun evening and the Book Fair was busy the entire time! There were many "You Were Caught Reading" tickets entered in the morning raffle drawings and children are enjoying their reading challenge. This month we also celebrate Black History month with the theme "Black Women in American History". Last week we recognized Sojourner Truth, Coretta Scott King, Maya Angelou and Lorraine Hansberry during the morning greeting on the top yard. Next month, we look forward to our annual Science Fair where famous scientists will be highlighted!

On a less positive note, I received Lakeshore's preliminary budget 2012-2013 on Friday. It made for a long weekend thinking about the painful cuts we will need to make at Lakeshore. I know we all feel so stretched thin already, and we are going to have even fewer resources to work with next year. Below I've summarized our budget situation. I will continue to share information as soon as I get it and involve our community and work together with the PTA and SSC in setting priorities and planning for next year. Upcoming PTA/Community meetings dates will be posted and included in the Paw Print Press soon!

You may access our budget on the district website. Go to www.sfusd.edu. On the left hand side of the district page click "Councils" then "SSC". On this page the budgets may be downloaded from the icon on the right side of the page "2012-2013 School Budgets".

Our projected enrollment for next year is 520 students. This enrollment reduction will impact our Weighted Student Formula. Additionally, the district has reduced the amount every school receives per student by 2%. We will need to make difficult decisions about how to allocate our funds. Over the coming weeks we'll talk as a staff, with the SSC and PTA about our priorities. In the meantime, try to do your best to focus on all of the positive work we have

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one so far this year and continuing with our efforts round ELD, writing, and continuous improvement.

EDUCED FUNDING FOR 2012-2013

Weighted Student Formula: \$2,038,962
School and Library Imprv Block Grant: \$29,320

Total Average Costs for Staffing

Principal	\$130,659
Senior Clerk Typist	\$66,091
Teacher	\$85,776
Student Advisor	\$59,992

RESTRICTED FUNDS

The categorical funds we receive have certain restrictions. Our Restricted funds are:

- EIA – For English Language Learners
- Special Ed-WSF Site Allocation – For Special Education programs
- Targeted Inst Imprv Block Grant – Funds 0.5 Student Advisor

With the reduction in funding it is highly likely that we will need to consolidate a teacher, which will create a 4/5 classroom.

This is a challenging time for our Lakeshore community but I am confident that we will continue to work together and look for the solutions that are made with teaching and learning at the forefront of our conversations and decisions.

Common Learning Assessment

The Common Learning Assessment window begins this week for students in grades 2-5. This is the third and final administration of the CLA this year. CLAs are designed to provide teachers with detailed information on your child's mastery of each standard in ELA and Math. This information will be used to guide planning and teaching in an effort to ensure that all students become proficient in the California State Standards for their grade level. Please discuss these assessments with your child and encourage him or her to do their best. If you have any questions about the Common Learning Assessments please see your child's teacher or see Ms. Keener. Your child's results will be shared at Parent-Teacher conferences the week of March 5th.

Follow Up On Morning Drop Off and Pick Up

You may have noticed our School Resource Officers present at morning drop off and afternoon pick up. We

know these simple reminders when dropping off and picking up your children:

- Be mindful that you are in a school zone! Speed limit is 15 mph.
- When dropping off your child, park and walk your child into the school yard. Dropping your child off in the middle of the street poses great danger to him/her.

Art Committee Meeting Next Week

Bus zones are clearly marked with safety cones and a white curb. Children are not to be dropped off or picked up in the bus zones. Art Committee Meeting Wed. Feb.22 at 3:45 pm in Rm #13. Please join us and support art plans for Lakeshore. Be aware of children crossing in the crosswalk by the main entry gate on Eucalyptus. All are welcome! For more information, call Sharon Collins 415-566-5209.

Please, SAFETY FIRST not CONVENIENCE!

Lakeshore's Annual Science Fair is Coming!

Both of my parents were strong-minded, civic-minded, people. One of my parents was a strong-minded person who made enormous sacrifices on behalf of the struggle for civil rights. The 25th Annual Lakeshore Science Fair is coming in 4 weeks on March 14th! How are those science projects coming along? We're looking for volunteers to help them.

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.

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