

LAKESHORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

SAN FRANCISCO

The Paw Print Press

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, February 18 Dragon Parade, 11:15-11:45

Littlest leopards celebrate Lakeshore's Lunar New Year.

Thursday – Friday, February 19 – 20 NO SCHOOL

Lunar New Year and President's Day observed

Monday – Friday, February 23 – 27 Conference Week, early dismissal at 2:35pm

Be sure to secure your meeting with your student's teacher(s) and don't forget to make arrangements for early dismissal – students are released at 2:35pm.

Wednesday, February 25 Nubi Yogurt Fundraiser

30% of your purchase goes to Lakeshore! Look for the flyer soon!

Friday, March 6 ASIAN ART MUSEUM, 10:45am - 11:00am

Come and support all our 2nd Graders as they sing and represent Lakeshore in the yearly SFUSD Arts Festival at the Asian Art Museum! Admission to the museum is free! www.sfusdartsfestival.org

Fundraising Calendar!

- Lunar New Year Red Envelopes: Start the year off with luck and prosperity. Return envelopes by Feb 27th
- Patxi's Pizza on Irving: Wednesday, March 18th Dine in or order out. Tell your friends and family because 10% of the entire day's proceeds will benefit Lakeshore.
- Kid's Night Out! Back by popular demand! Two more dates this year: Friday, March 13 and Friday, May 1.
- Raffle: Disney tickets, meet your favorite SF Giant player + tickets, and iPad mini. More info to come.
- Casino Night: Saturday, April 11 Enjoy a fun evening of entertainment and camaraderie for adult Leopards.
- Superhero Saturday: Saturday, April 25 It's back for a second year. Fun! Games! Food! Entertainment! Costumes! Details to come.

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恭禧发财 Kung Hei Fat Choy!

Wishing everyone a happy, joyous, prosperous, successful, and merry year of the sheep / ram / goat.

Happy Lunar New Year!

Fundraising is Behind!

It may seem like there's a lot of fundraising activities happening this Spring – and there are! This is because we are behind in our fundraising goals. We need to raise \$90,000 each year to fund our enrichment and other programs that make Lakeshore an exceptional experience. To date, we have raised only half with projected income from Read-a-Thon, Raffle, and other events to drive an additional \$30,000 - \$35,000 based on past participation from past years. This still puts us \$10,000 - \$15,000 behind what we need to pay our consultants.

We know budgets are tight but we need everyone in the school to participate in our fundraising efforts whether you are donating, collecting Boxtops, selling raffle tickets, evangelizing third party events like Patxi's or Nubi, or soliciting pledges. If we don't make our goal, we will have to start cutting enrichment which is an essential part of the students experience.

It costs \$200 per student to deliver these programs. We expect 100% participation from our community – even if you can only donate a few dollars. For those families who can donate more, please consider doing so.

We will be posting our fundraising progress in the school and providing updates in the Paw Print Press. In the meantime, please make note of the fundraising events noted in the calendar on the left.

Read-A-Thon Event Concluded

A big "Thank You" to our Lakeshore students for joining us in the Read-A-Thon fundraising event during the last two weeks! Way to go!

Participants, please collect all outstanding pledges from your sponsors. Most important, be sure to ask **parents** or **adult family members** to help you fill out the Sponsor Sheet and sign the Reading Log. To be eligible for prizes, please return the envelope to your classroom teacher this week.

Due to the approach of a long holiday weekend, envelope collection is extended to Monday, February 23. The winners will be announced in the Paw Print Press and prizes awarded on February 25.

Every participant is a winner and he/she can also win one of the special Read-a-Thon prizes! The photographs of our Lakeshore star readers and fundraisers will be displayed on the bulletin board in the main hall of the school next week.

Special thanks to our teachers, families, and friends for encouraging and sponsoring our students to participate in this exciting reading and fundraising event benefiting all students.

Second Grade Performing at the Asian Art Museum

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Want to include something in the next edition? Please email newsletter@lakeshoreelementary.org no later than Friday evening with final content and your contact information.



Celebrate Black History Month By Reading!

Celebrate Black History Month by reading award-winning African American children's book authors & illustrators selected by Lakeshore Librarian, Ms. Celena Courtney. Be sure to visit the Learning Lab at Lakeshore's library or your local public library to learn more about these (& more!) great African American writers and artists!

Featured Author of the Week: Walter Dean Myers Mr. Myers discovered he loved to write when he was in fifth grade and his teacher required students to read in front of the class. Because he had a speech impediment, he was terrified until he learned that he could read something he wrote himself and began writing poems using only words he could pronounce. In a career spanning over 45 years, Mr. Myers won the Coretta Scott King Award five times, most recently for *Slam*, about a teenage boy's relationship to basketball and life. Mr. Myers won the first-ever Michael L. Printz Award and Coretta Scott King-Virginia Hamilton Award for Lifetime Achievement.

Featured Author/Illustrator of the Week:

Christopher Myers

Mr. Myers creates images in collage, photos, woodcuts, and other artistic media. He began his children's book career doing research to help his father, Walter Dean Myers, and went on to illustrate the elder Myers' *Shadow of the Red Moon, Harlem,* and others. Christopher Myers won a Coretta Scott King Award for *Black Cat*, which he wrote and illustrated using photo-collage artwork and hip-hop poetry to tell the story of a stray cat's search for a home on the city streets. He also authored a piece for the New York Times calling for more children's literature by and about African Americans.

"Recipe for Integration"

From "Sit-In: How Four Friend Stood Up by Sitting Down" By Andrea Pinkney

- 1. Start with Love.
- 2. Add conviction.
- 3. Season with hope.
- 4. Extra faith to flavor.
- 5. Mix black people with white people.
- 6. Let unity stand.
- 7. Fold in change.
- 8. Sprinkle with dignity.
- 9. Bake until golden.
- 10. Serve immediately.

Makes enough for all.

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