

LAKESHORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SAN FRANCISCO

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IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, September 2 First Friday Coffee and Donuts

8:30 – 9:30am, Lakeshore Community Room Stop by and get to know Lakeshore families!

Monday, September 5 Labor Day Holiday — NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, September 7 Room Parent Meeting

6:00pm, Lakeshore Community Room Tips and tricks for being a great room parent. **PTA Meeting**

7:00pm, Lakeshore Community Room Lakeshore families are invited to attend. Snacks provided for the kids. A \$5 donation per child is requested.

Thursday, September 15 Back-To-School Night, 1st-5th

6:00-7:30pm, Lakeshore School

Meet your student's teachers and learn about the upcoming year. All parents / guardians are recommended to attend.

Friday, September 23 Kid's Night Out!

6:00-9:30pm, Community Room PTA fundraiser. Movies and food for the kids.



Shop Amazon for Lakeshore

LakeshoreElementary.org/amazon

Use this convenient shortcut every time you purchase from Amazon.com, and you can help raise dollars for Lakeshore – up to 6% of your purchase!

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Are You Throwing Away Money?



You throw away 10 cents for Lakeshore if you forget to clip and save the Box Tops found on the packaging of many common products. It's FREE MONEY for the school. We raise between \$700-\$1000 from this program but we could easily do more. Here's how to help:

- Designate a place to store clipped Box Tops until you're ready to bring them to school
- Encourage family members to save on your behalf

 it's a great, free way for them to support your student's education
- Involve your child make them a Box Top Hunter, responsible for finding all the coupons in your cabinets (and those of friends and family!). Have them hunt for Box Tops when shopping too!
- Give the Box Tops collection to your teacher!

Box Tops are found on these popular brands:

- Land O'Lakes
- Betty Crocker, Pillsbury
- General Mills products such as: Cheerios, Trix,
- FiberOne, Nature Valley, Total and more!
- Checks Mix, Gardettos
- Green Giant
- Mott's
- Yoplait
- Progresso
- Ziplock, Hefty
- Reynolds
- Scott Tissue, Kleenex
- Hanes

Thank you for supporting Lakeshore!

Room Parents Needed

Thank you to all the wonderful family members who have stepped to be room parents for your child's classroom this year! Room parents are the glue between teachers, the school, and families in your classroom.

We have volunteers for over half the classrooms but could use more, and especially need room parents for the following:

- K (6, 10)
- 1st grade (5, 15)
- 2nd grade (M1, M4)
- 3rd grade (110, 115)
- 5th grade (101)
- 3-5 SDC (108).

To sign up, please email

roomparent@LakeshoreElementary.org with your name, email, phone, child's name, room number, and teacher by this Friday, September 2, or leave a note in the PTA mail slot in the office. Lakeshore needs you!

Turn in Completed Emergency Cards and Lunch Applications

Two critical forms were sent home which must be completed and returned to your teacher.

- **Emergency Cards** provide essential contact information needed in case of emergency.
- Lunch Applications must be completed by EVERY FAMILY. If you do not want to participate in the program, simply decline. If enough Lakeshore families submit these forms, the school will receive thousands of dollars! If you don't know if you completed these, please request them from the office or your teacher.

Calling all Ghouls and Goblins!

We need your help to plan one of the most memorable Lakeshore events – time for students to get in on the fun and frights of the season. Can you help plan and host this ghoulishly ghastly great event? Email volunteer@LakeshoreElementary.org.



Your Guide to School Lunches

You can help our schools get more funding, make sure students are well-fed, and help our dining areas buy better food. It's easy — just fill out the meal application below.

Our schools get more money for more eligible forms. Federal, local, and private grant funding is based on the number of eligible meal applications we collect and the only way to collect every eligible application is to collect applications from every student.

Children get better meals. The more eligible forms we collect, the more money Student Nutrition Services (SNS) receives to spend on better food.

Important facts:

- Meal benefits are awarded for each school year, so any meal benefits from last school year will expire 30 school days after the start of school year. Apply by September 16th to avoid automatic paid status after that date.
- In order to qualify for free meal benefits, families must submit a new application for school year 2016-2017.
- Every household should submit an application even if just to indicate "not interested." This information helps SFUSD, too.
- Each year, many families neglect to fill out an application and accrue meal charges.
- Families may reapply for benefits at any time during the school year. Families are especially encouraged to submit a new application if they experience a decrease in household income, become unemployed, have an increase in family size, or qualify for CalWorks, CalFresh, FDPIR
- Free and reduced price meals are available for all children regardless of their citizenship status. A Social Security Number is not required.

Application process

Student Nutrition Services (SNS) is now accepting online applications for the 2016-17 school year. Families can apply online at https://schoolmealapp.sfusd.edu; paper applications are also available at schools – ask your teacher for one.

Students new to SFUSD

Until your application is processed, you will need to provide your child(ren) a sack lunch or send money to purchase school meals. Register for MealpayPlus, where you can view your child's meal account history and balance at mypaymentsplus.com.

MyPaymentsPlus

- Make prepayments
- Monitor the items your child has been purchasing
- Create settings to automatically replenish your account
- To create a free account, you must have your child's student ID number.
- Register at www.mypaymentsplus.com.

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