

LAKESHORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, October 14
ELAC (English Learner Advisory Council)
6pm, Room 5

Advocate for students learning English and learn more about this important organization at this informational meeting.

Monday, October 17 Walk-a-Thon

1:45pm – 3:15pm, top yard Collect pledges and join us for a beautiful day of walking and fun!

Tuesday, October 18 Spotlight on Enrichment 6pm – 8pm, Lakeshore Garden

Lakeshore's enrichment consultants welcome you to a night of hands-on exploration of our unique Art, Gardening, and Motor programs. Light refreshments will be served from 6:00-6:30pm. Children welcome but should remain under parental supervision.

Wednesday, October 19 PTA Exec Board 6:30pm – 8pm, Staff Lounge

Everyone is welcome. Plan to attend? Email pta@LakeshoreElementary.org.

Saturday, October 29 SFUSD Enrollment Fair

9:30am – 2:30pm, City College Wellness Ctr Meet representatives from all SFUSD schools and pick up a copy of the enrollment packet at City College of San Francisco, 1800 Ocean Ave.



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October 12, 2016



Walk-a-Thon: Get Ready to Walk!

DATE CHANGE DUE TO CHANCE OF RAIN! MONDAY is the big day! Grades K-2 walk from 1:45-2:30 Grades 3-5 walk from 2:30-3:15

Here are a few things to remember!

- **Submit those pledges!** (Get them in no later than October 21 to count for the prizes!)
- Wear your spirit gear (you can purchase some on the day of the event as well!)
- BRING A FILLED WATER BOTTLE! Water stations will be available but it will be easier for students to bring their own.
- Participants and volunteers should wear a hat and sunblock – it's our summertime!
- Come and volunteer we need help with hand stamping, water stations, goodie distribution, setup and other activities. Sign up at http://bit.ly/ls-wat2016

Keep those pledges coming in so we can reach more goals!

School-wide incentives:

\checkmark	\$500	Intake on the roof – MET!
✓	\$1,500	No Homework Pass for 1 week – MET!
•	\$3,000	Teacher Switch
•	\$5,000	Kickball Game (Teachers vs. Students)
•	\$7,500	Movie and Popcorn Party
•	\$10,000	Teacher Obstacle Course
•	\$15,000	Lakeshore Game Show
•	\$20,000	Sock Hop

Other incentives:

- Most \$ raised in a class = Lakeshore gear / student
- Most \$ raised by student = \$50 gift card
- Most \$ raised by a class within a grade level = Extra recess for that class

How Voting Works

On Tuesday, November 8th, millions of adults will go to their local voting booths to vote for the next president and vice president of the United States. All of the votes will be recorded and counted, and the winner will be... named? Uh, not so fast. It's a lot more complicated than that!

Registration: Sign Up!

Before you can vote, you have to register as a voter in your state. Registration helps your local polling office keep track of who can and did vote and make sure no one votes more than once.

The Parties: Sizing up the Competition

In the U.S., most of our elected officials are from two parties, Democrats or Republicans, but other people want to be president, too. These other candidates come from what are called 'Third Parties'.

The Primaries and Caucuses: Narrowing the Pack

Usually more than one member of a party wants to become president. But, only one candidate from each party can run in the final election so states hold a primary or a caucus. Caucuses are small groups of people that decide whom they want to support as their party's candidate. Primaries are elections where party members vote for the party candidate. In these primaries and caucuses, delegates are chosen to represent candidates at the national conventions in the summer.

The Conventions: Party-Time, Politicians Style

The major parties hold conventions to officially nominate the candidate who won the most delegates along with their Vice Presidential choice.

The General Election and the Electoral College: Being Popular Isn't Enough

Now, that each party has a potential President and Vice President (often called the party's "ticket") the general election process begins with campaigning and debates.

On November 8th, the people vote for one ticket in person or by absentee ballot – they can vote for any party they want. But... when a person casts a vote, they're voting for something called Electors, and whichever ticket gets the most votes in a state then gets that state's electors who are in turn supposed to vote for the ticket.

These electors are part of the Electoral College. Each state has a number of electors equal to the number of its Senators (always 2) plus the number of its Representatives (determined by the state's population), for a total college of 538 electors. The first candidate to win more than half the electoral votes (at least 270) becomes President!

Adapted from:

http://pbskids.org/zoom/fromyou/elections/elections101.html

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.

Halloween Prize Drive

Trick or Treat! This year's Halloween donation box is now in the Lakeshore office and available to swallow up donations towards purchasing mini-pumpkins as carnival prizes. Easier than buying candy and healthier than all that sugar, just drop in a couple bucks and we'll do the shopping!

Also accepting non-candy prize donations like pencils, minipads of paper, small toys, stickers, tattoos, mini-Play Doh, eraser tops, rings, and bracelets.

Do you have an extra costume? Feel free to bring it in for students who may not have one on the big day!

Donate and Volunteer for Election Day Bake Sale

On Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, Lakeshore parents are hosting a morning bake sale. Fruit, baked goods, savory items, and breakfast fare are requested. If you can donate or help set up, clean up, or sell, please email lisamorriscampbell@gmail.com

First ELAC (English Learner Advisory Council) Meeting of 2016

Join us Friday at 6pm in Room 5 for an informational meeting about ELAC presented by Danielle Uttley, Family Education Integration Specialist and ELAC Liaison for SFUSD. Parents of English learners will understand all the requirements of an English Learner Advisory Council, learn how to develop and support an engaging ELAC, and receive new tools to better support and document ELAC's duties and responsibilities.

Congratulations to Our PTA Membership Prize Drawing Winner!

A huge thank you to everyone who joined the PTA by September 30th – all members were entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card, and we are now at **80% of our membership** goal of \$22,000!

Alex Tico won a \$50 gift certificate to Trader Joe's. Congrats!

Thank you to the Lakeshore family who generously donated this gift card to support the membership drive.

SSC Nominations Needed

If you are interested in helping implement the school budget, reviewing and analyzing student achievement data, as well as gathering community input, please consider joining the School Site Council (SSC).

The SSC is looking for parents and community members to join for a two-year commitment. You will need to attend a monthly meeting (currently held on Mondays). The SSC group is made up of the principal, teachers, school staff, parents and community members. If you are interested in joining the SSC and helping guide our school's budget goals, please email ssc@LakeshoreElementary.org.