



# West Ottawa Public Schools

*Preparing Students to Be College, Career and Life Ready!*

## Lakewood Newsletter

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### Greetings Lakewood Families,

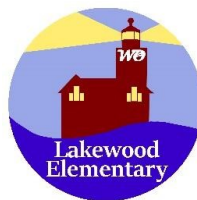
I would like to thank everyone who came to celebrate our Blue Ribbon event. It was a fantastic turn out . We were also very honored to celebrate alongside so many of our Veterans at our assembly on Monday.

Our students have been busy collecting non perishable food items for the food drive, sponsored by student council. Class-rooms will be collecting items until November 26. Let's see if we can break our combined total of 1,130 items from last year. All food will be donated to Community Action House.

Thank you for attending our Scholastic book fair. This is one of our most popular events of the school year. Remember to read over the Thanksgiving recess.

Sincerely,

Michael Ghareeb



### Important Dates:

**November 19**

Hearing and Vision  
Re-screen Day

**November 26**

PBL Field trip

**November 27-29**

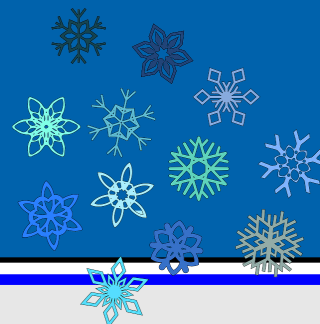
Thanksgiving Break

**December 3**

4th Gr Lansing Field Trip

**Dec. 23-Jan. 3**

Holiday Recess



Dear Family,

We have partnered with your child's school to create a unique opportunity to celebrate their artistic accomplishments while raising much needed funds for the school. Coming home soon will be your child's custom catalog featuring their artwork. Won't you help make your child feel like an accomplished artist by purchasing keepsakes for the whole family containing their masterpiece? The school earns profit from every order. And as a thank you for participating, we provide each child with a sheet of stickers imprinted with their artwork — absolutely FREE! Watch for more details about the campaign and order deadlines. All online and paper order forms must be turned in by the due date on your child's custom catalog. (No late orders can be accepted.) Together, we can help support the school, build your child's self-esteem, and create lasting keepsakes from your child's artistic achievements.

### THREE EASY WAYS TO ORDER KEEPSAKES

1. The paper order form attached to their custom catalog.
2. Online at [www.square1art.com/shop](http://www.square1art.com/shop)
3. Phone Customer Care [888-332-3294](tel:888-332-3294).



# In the LOOP with LAKEWOOD ELEMENTARY

## Student Council Updates

Lakewood Student Council has planned a few events in the upcoming months. Starting in November, student council will be organizing a food drive to benefit the Community Action House. The food drive will last from November 1st to November 27th. Please donate any non-perishable food. Coming up in December, we are participating in the angel tree sponsored by the Salvation Army. Tags will be placed on the tree mid-late November. Thank you for helping our community!



**Please Call the office if your child will be absent due to illness. Be sure to note your child's name, teacher, and symptoms.**

**We also need a call if your child is out due to pre-planned absences or appointments. Thank You**

**616-786-1300 press 1 for the attendance line**

Michigan Weather is upon us. Please send your child to school in layers. It will also be helpful to label coats, hats, mittens, etc. so we can quickly identify lost items. Thank you for helping us transition into these fall and winter months.

Lost and Found Items are now located in the main office.



## Parent Pick Up/Drop off

Please remember to pull forward in the parent drive. Parking in the pick up lane is not allowed and causes a large back up of traffic on the street. If you wish to meet your child by the doors please park in the designated areas. Thank you for your help!



Cold and Flu season is here. Please remember these few simple policies if your child is feeling ill.

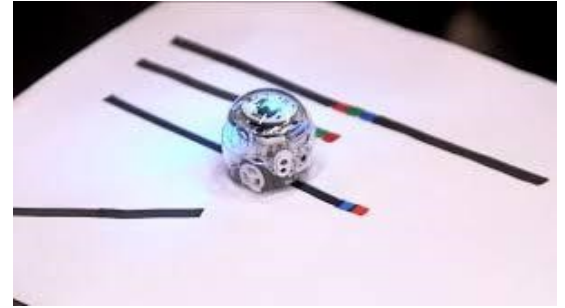
- Children must be fever free (under 100 degrees) for 24 hours and without the aid of medicine before returning to school.
- Children taking prescribed antibiotics must be on them for 24 hours before returning to school
- Children must be free from vomiting and diarrhea for 24 hours
- If your child is experiencing other symptoms and is struggling to participate in class we will call to have them picked up

## Links from the Lab

By Miss Marco Technology Instructor



**3rd Grade Update:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade students have been using Ozobots to do some coding using lines and color. After experimenting with different types of lines, we are now using color coding for speed commands to make 2 Ozobots race each other after designing a race track with partners. We will soon be building an Ozobot community.



### Ozobot Coding

## Moving with Mr. Metz

Hi Lakewood families,

I hope you are all doing well! It looks like we've sprinted right past the fall season and winter is finally here! Over the next few weeks in Physical Wellness, students will be working on their kicking/fielding skills in a variety of ways. Upper elementary aged students will be playing Mat-Ball (think kickball, but inside and with large tumbling mats as bases) and lower elementary will be playing Bucket-Ball to work on those same kicking/fielding skills in a way that is age appropriate for them. So far, all classes have done a great job with these games and improving every time I see them! Have a great week!



## Art News

The art room is exploding with creativity! To know what awesome things are happening in the art room please visit my art news website at [woartmakesyousmart.weebly.com](http://woartmakesyousmart.weebly.com)

Don't forget! ART Makes you SMART! -Miss TenBarge



## SPANISH SPOTLIGHT WITH SEÑORA DILLON



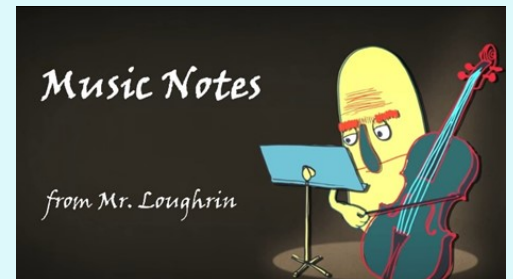
Fourth grade students have been working hard on Spanish numbers. We are reviewing numbers 0-59 for a new unit on telling time. Students need to know how to read and write these numbers in order to express a time in Spanish. For example, 2:50 in Spanish is *Son las dos y cincuenta*. To practice, we will learn a fun song that incorporates movements!



### *Music Notes from Mr. Loughrin*



A note of thanks to Lakewood students, staff and parents for their hard work and dedication in making our Veterans Day assembly a huge success. It was a powerful and moving experience to be in our gym as we honored our Veterans and showed our appreciation for the service and dedication to our country. Students did an outstanding job preparing and performing our songs! Great Job Lakewood students!!!!!!



### How to Read Music

In music class 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are reviewing the basics of music notation and growing our understanding of music notation as a system of organizing pitch and rhythm. We have been using a wonderful TedEd video as a launching point to review what we know as well as explore some ideas and concepts that might be new to us. Though the video is only a little over five minutes long, it is packed with information, presented in a fast paced and engaging format.

Our approach to music notation is a conceptual one, in addition to developing our music reading skills. We have been making many connections to other languages to help us make sense of and decode the language of music. These skills will help students as we prepare for our recorder unit which begins in January and will help prepare us for the musical opportunities that lie ahead in 6<sup>th</sup> grade band and choir.

Here is a link to the TedEd video we have been studying. The video is called "How to Read Music" by Tim Hansen: <https://youtu.be/ZN41d7Txcq0>