



West Ottawa Public Schools

Preparing Students to Be College, Career and Life Ready!

Lakewood Newsletter

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Michael Ghareeb, *Principal*

Sue Noble, *Secretary*

Greetings Lakewood Families,

We made it through another very successful year at Lakewood! I want to thank everyone who contributed to our fundraiser. It was a huge success and we surpassed our goal, which means that I will be getting a pie in the face on the last day of school!

I really want to thank our entire community (including students, staff, families and volunteers) for all that you've done to make Lakewood a special place for learning. The dedication, devotion and caring that is shown on a daily basis is unparalleled!

As we near the end of the year, please complete the Online Registration by the end of the week. Why is this important you may ask? We have over 6,000 students in the WO school district. It takes time to coordinate bus routes and make sure we are prepared for the 22-23 school year. We take pride in getting things done in a timely manner and not cramming to complete in August. I am thankful for the families who have already submitted next year's registration. If you have already submitted, you are good to go and this message does not pertain to you. If you have not submitted, the 22-23 registration can be found in your parent portal. If you're having trouble logging in, you may contact the tech help desk at 616-786-2021. Don't have access to a computer? No problem, you can stop in our main office to complete it. We are in the office until 4:15 PM everyday. As always, please feel free to reach out to me at any time if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached directly at ghareebm@westottawa.net or at (616) 786-1300 ext. 3099.

Sincerely,

IMPORTANT DATES

June

- 6 1st Grade Field Trip
- 9 5th Grade Celebration
- 10 Last day. Half day dismissal 11:52

Aug

- 29 Open House 5-7 pm

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

NEED TO ENROLL YOUR STUDENT?

SEE PAGE 3 FOR 2022-2023 ENROLMENT

INSTRUCTIONS

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HEARING AND VISION SCREENING
AND IMMUNIZATIONS

INFORMATION FROM THE OTTAWA COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT.



Need to contact the office?

Office Hours

Monday through Friday
7:45 AM—4:15 PM

Phone

(616) 786-1300

Email

nobles@westottawa.net

Sue Noble

Building Secretary



Visit the West Ottawa Public Schools website at www.westottawa.net for information on bussing, food service, school calendar, etc.

Have you signed up for a Parent Portal account?

Access your child's student data from anywhere with Internet access! Visit www.westottawa.net/parent-portal to log in or for instructions on registering your account.



Quick Links

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SPREAD THE WORD!

It's time for **Kindergarten Enrollment** for the **2022-2023 school year!**

Get a head start on registration and submitting enrollment documents as soon as possible.

Enrollment

2022-2023 School Year

NEW STUDENTS

Is your student a kindergartener or otherwise new to the district? Go online to register for 2022-2023 enrollment!

Access the Online Registration by clicking the button below or visiting www.westottawa.net/wops-enrollment/.

Register



EXISTING STUDENTS

Do you already have a student attending West Ottawa Public Schools? You need to complete an existing student registration for the 2022-2023 school year. Access the Online Registration for existing students by visiting your Parent Portal.



YOUNG KINDERS

Want your kinder-aged child to attend the WOPS Young Kinder program? Registration for Young Kinders is the same as Kindergarten and must be completed online.

**Current 2021-2022 Young Kinder students will go to Kindergarten for the 2022-2022 school year.





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FOR INCOMING KINDERGARTENERS



Hearing & Vision Screenings



Be school ready! Beat the back-to-school rush and schedule a free hearing and vision screening at Ottawa County Department of Public Health. Children ages 3 to 6 are eligible for screenings. Any child entering kindergarten in the 2022-2023 school year is required to have a hearing and vision screening.

NO CHARGE SCREENINGS - APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

English (616) 396-5266

Español (616) 393-5780

www.miOttawa.org/HearingVision



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Beat the Back-to-School Rush! Get your kindergartener's required immunizations **before** school starts.



**Appointments fill quickly - don't wait until August!
Make your appointment today with your healthcare
provider or by calling (616) 396-5266.**

miOttawa Department of
Public Health

Get in the Loop with Lakewood!

Morning Drop Off

The morning bell rings at 8:36 AM. **Students arriving after 8:36 are considered tardy.**

To drop off a late student, please park in the south parking lot and walk your student to the front office.

Please remember to sign in your student.

Student Pick Up

If you need to pick up a student before normal dismissal time, please **give the front office a call** and email **your student's teacher**.

After 9:00 AM, you can park in the driveway directly in front of the office.

Please remember to sign out your student.



Please **do not** park in the circle drive by the front office between 8-9am and 3-4pm.

You may park in the large parking lot on the southside of the building.

Our special needs buses use the circle drive during those times and need full access to the drive to safely pick up and drop off our special needs students. Thank you for understanding!

SICK STUDENTS

Illness happens—we understand! If your student must stay home due to illness, **please call the front office. Tell us your student's name, teacher, and symptoms.**



Call 616-786-1300 and press "1" for the attendance line.

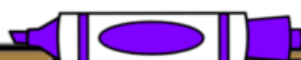
If a student becomes ill while at school, we may send the student home for monitoring with a parent or guardian. **Ensure your contact information and preferred emergency contacts are up to date in your student's file!**

NORMAL ILLNESS PROCEDURE

To reduce the spread of any illness within the school, we ask that you keep your child home if they are sick.

Please also keep your child home until they are 24-hours free of vomiting, diarrhea, and fever (without the use of fever-reducing medication).

And, of course, keep your child's teacher and the front office posted.



Get in the Loop with Lakewood!

PBIS Corner

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Why does behavior happen?

All behavior is an attempt to communicate something. It can be really hard to know what that message is and the process of figuring it out can be frustrating. Most behavior occurs for one the following reasons:

- The student is trying to get or avoid attention from an adult or peer.
- The student is trying to get to a preferred object or activity or avoid a non preferred object or activity
- The student is trying to get preferred sensory input or avoid non preferred sensory input.

Once we are able to figure out what the student is communicating we put an intervention in place to teach replacement behaviors. These are actions a student can do instead of the unwanted behavior that meets the same need.

School Breakfast and Lunch

Great news! School breakfast and lunch will be provided free for the 2021-2022 school year. We still ask parents to submit an application for free and reduced lunch.

For more information, visit www.westottawa.net/wops-food-service.

[Click here](#)
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[May menu](#)



Volunteering?

Remember to submit a [VOLUNTEER FORM](#).

Applications may take a few weeks to process.



Interested in preschool for your four year old? Consider applying for the Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) through West Ottawa Public Schools.

The Great Start Readiness Program

The GSRP is a state-funded program for low-income families or families with certain environmental risks. To qualify, children must be four years old by September 1st of the enrollment year *and* proof of income submitted.

West Ottawa offers the GSRP at Pine Creek Elementary, Great Lakes Elementary, and Lakewood Elementary.

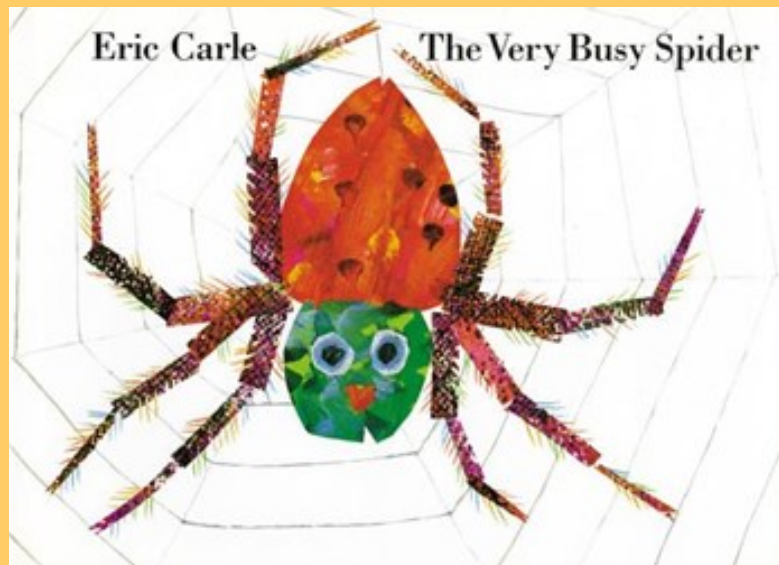
**APPLY
HERE**

Or visit www.helpmegrowottawa.org for more information,

Or call a **Care Coordinator** at Help Me Grow Ottawa: **(844) 233-2244**

SPANISH SPOTLIGHT WITH SEÑORA DILLON

Spring is here and it is a perfect time for kindergartners to learn how to say different bugs in Spanish! We are learning words such as *mariposa* (butterfly), *hormiga* (ant), and *abeja* (bee). Students will have fun playing games, coloring bugs, and listening to bug stories. We will read a few books by Eric Carle that connect well. *The Very Busy Spider* (araña) is always a favorite!



One great resource is my website with online games and activities to practice Spanish:

<http://senoradillon.weebly.com/>



ART News

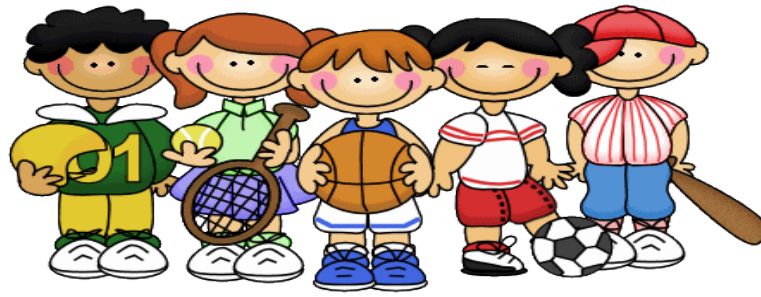
*To see all the awesome things happening in art class, please visit my
Google Art Site at the link below!*

<https://sites.google.com/westottawa.net/mrs-halls-art-news/home>

Don't forget!

ART Makes You SmART!

– Mrs. Hall



Moving with Metz!!

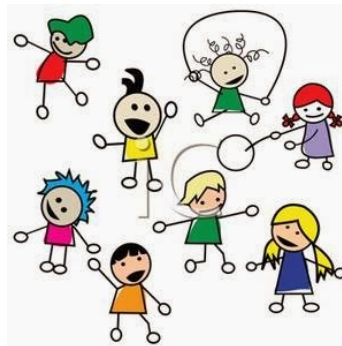
Hi Lakewood Families,

We made it! Down to our last week of school. In Physical Wellness we have been working on our gymnastic skills.

Students have been improving their muscular strength and endurance, as well as their balance and coordination. We also worked on some basic tumbling including forward/backwards rolls, cartwheels, and headstands.

This year has been a blast and I'm going to miss all of the students. Good luck to our 5th graders as they head to middle school! I hope everyone has a fantastic summer. If you see me out and about around town this summer, make sure to say hi! GO WO!

Mr. Metz





LAKWOOD - WEST OTTAWA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

THE TECH LAB

Week of 5/30 - 6/03



And in the blink of an eye... We are in the month of June! It's hard to believe we have come this far already!

This week we finished up some projects, and continued with some choice activities.... Guess what many decided on?
Coding!!!! 😊😊

It has been such a pleasure teaching a wonderful young group of learners this school year!
We learned more about programming and coding, and used our technology to create and publish different works of art!
It has been a great year of learning!

Thank you for entrusting your children to me. I feel very blessed!

I hope you have a wonderful last week of school, and a happy and safe summer!

~Mrs. Fredrickson
fredricksonk@westottawa.net

Music Notes

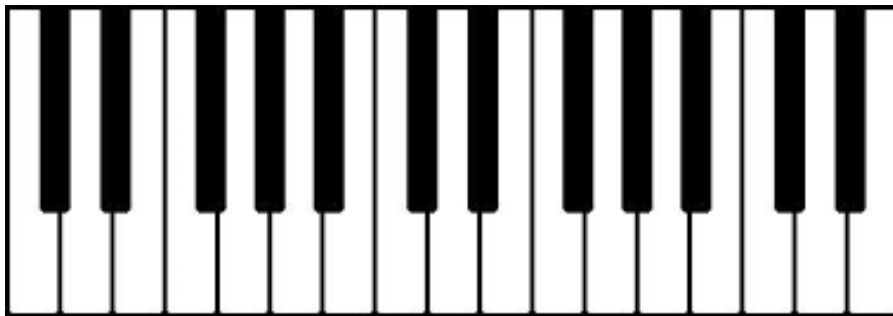
from Mr. Loughrin



Second grade students have been learning about the piano. It is one of the most versatile and widely used instruments ever invented. It's history dates back to its predecessor, the harpsichord. A string family instrument, the harpsichord was a popular success in the 16th century but in the 17th century made way for the fortepiano (now referred to as the piano) which could play loud and soft.

Students have been learning to identify the notes on the piano as it is the most common "reference" instrument and can be found in school music rooms and concert halls, accompanying musicians as well as being a solo instrument.

Can you identify the keys on the piano?



Here is a fun link about the history of the piano as well as some great piano performances:

History of the piano: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2sBPdoPuQJ8>

Great performances: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rEGOihjqO9w>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8O_ExyhpO_o

WOW!

We have the BEST parent community!

We are so proud and grateful to say that we had an incredible, record breaking Leggin' it for Lakewood fundraiser this year and we raised **\$15,644!**

The top earning classrooms were:

Yk-2nd

1. Hilldore
2. VanKoevering

3rd-5th

1. Strait
2. Johnson

Thank you all who participated and donated and helped make our fundraiser a success!

Sincerely,
Lakewood PTO

Shout out to our incredible sponsors for our 2nd annual

Leggin' It for Lakewood fundraiser!

Thanks to ALL of YOU, every Lakewood kiddo will receive a t-shirt, snack/treat, water, prizes and MORE!

Platinum Sponsors

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