



LAKEWOOD BIWEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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From the Principal's Desk

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Greetings Lakewood Families,

This coming Sunday, March 24, we will be holding our first skating party in quite some time. The event will take place from 100 - 3:00 pm at the Lakescape Boating Center located at 1525 James St. Holland, MI 48024. The cost of the event is \$10 per person and includes skate rental. We encourage everyone to attend and if you have any questions, please contact the Lakewood PTO at WPTO@westottawa.net.

Beginning next week, we have a new initiative for the students of West Ottawa. Through our own Panther Fund, we are able to host not only 2nd grade swim lessons, but now also 4th grade swim lessons. This is awesome for our community and a special thank goes out to our own Jim Ottman for putting this together for our students.

Our Field Day committee will be meeting next week on Tuesday to finalize plans for our upcoming event. The event will be held on May 28 which will be the same day as our "Lakewood Fundraiser". Once we have everything in place, we will be sure to communicate the details to everyone. For this fun-filled day, we encourage everyone to attend and we will also need quite a few volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact me directly to indicate your interest.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone an especially fun and enjoyable Spring Break! This is a time to celebrate where we've come this year and to look forward to a great ending to the school year!

Sincerely,

Michael Ghareeb,
Principal, Lakewood Elementary



Mr. Ghareeb Principal

#ShowUpWO!

Missing school adds up. If you want your child to be successful in school, attendance matters!

MISSING...	EQUALS	SCHOOL CAREER
1 Day Every 2 Weeks	20 Days Per Year	Nearly 1.5 Years
1 Day Per Week	40 Days Per Year	Over 2.5 Years
2 Days Per Week	80 Days Per Year	Over 5 Years
3 Days Per Week	120 Days Per Year	Nearly 8 Years

MISSING...	EQUALS	WHICH IS...
10 Minutes Per Day	50 Minutes Per Week	1.5 Weeks Per Year
20 Minutes Per Day	1 Hour 40 Minutes Per Week	2.5 Weeks Per Year
30 Minutes Per Day	1 1/2 Day Per Week	4 Weeks Per Year
1 Hour Per Day	1 Day Per Week	8 Weeks Per Year

Nationwide, Only 17% of students considered chronically absent in K and 1st grades were reading proficiently in 3rd grade; comparatively 64% of those students with good attendance were reading proficiently.

Between 8th and 12th grade, a student who is chronically absent is 7-8 times more likely to drop out of school.

All statistics are national averages and taken from www.attendancematters.org

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2024-2025 GSRP PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

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START YOUR ENROLLMENT FOR PRESCHOOL NOW! VISIT THE HELP ME GROW OTTAWA SITE

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IMPORTANT DATES:

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

PLEASE VISIT THE LINK BELOW TO ENROLL ONLINE.

<https://www.westottawa.net/wops-enrollment/>

**** EXISTING STUDENT 2024-2025 ONLINE ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN**

VISIT YOUR PARENT PORTAL TO ENROLL FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

PANTHER PATHWAYS BOYS BASKETBALL GAME SCHEDULE IS ATTACHED

MARCH IS READING MONTH ACTIVITIES AND CALENDAR ARE ATTACHED

MARCH 24

LAKESWOOD SKATING PARTY FROM 1:00 - 3:00 PM

AT THE ROLLXSCAPE SKATING CENTER

COST IS \$10 PER PERSON. PARENTS/GUARDIAN MUST STAY WITH YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN

MARCH 25

4TH GRADE SWIM LESSONS BEGIN

APRIL 8

TULIP TIME KINDERPARADE PERMISSION TO MARCH FORMS DUE

**** TULIP TIME KINDERPARADE INFORMATION SHEET AND PERMISSION FORMS ATTACHED BELOW**

SPRING BREAK BEGINS:

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 - APRIL 5

CLASSES RESUME ON APRIL 8

APRIL 8 - MAY 17

GRADES 3RD, 4TH & 5TH M-STEP TESTING WINDOW

**Panther Pathways Lakewood
Kindness Project presents:**

Pet Fest

March 25, 26, 27



**A Fundraiser to Support Animals
at Harbor Humane Society!**

**Lunch Market
Stand
\$1.00**

**Buttons
Bracelets
Necklaces**

**Spring Recess
Games
\$1.00**

**Kickball
Outdoor art contest
Sharks and Minnows**



Support animals like Stanley!

2024 CALLING ALL MARCHERS TULIP TIME KINDERPARADE INFORMATION

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2024 PERMISSION TULIP TIME MARCHERS.pdf

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Panther Pathways Boys Basketball Schedule 2023-24.pdf

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Coin Challenge Fundraiser - March Newsletter.pdf

Friendly grade level competition. Raising money to support one of our own!

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Spanish Spotlight with Senora Dillon

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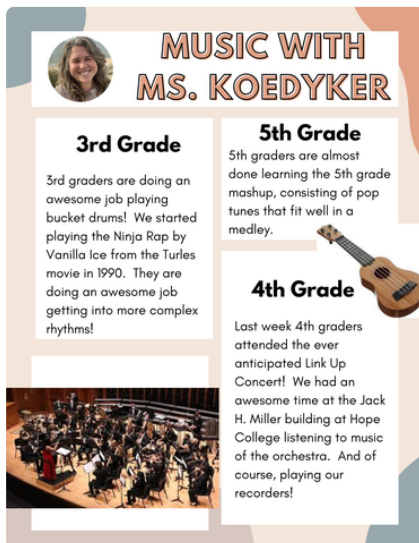
<https://senoradillon.weebly.com>



Lakewood Library News



The Tech Lab with Mrs. Fredrickson



Mrs. Koedyker Music Newsletter

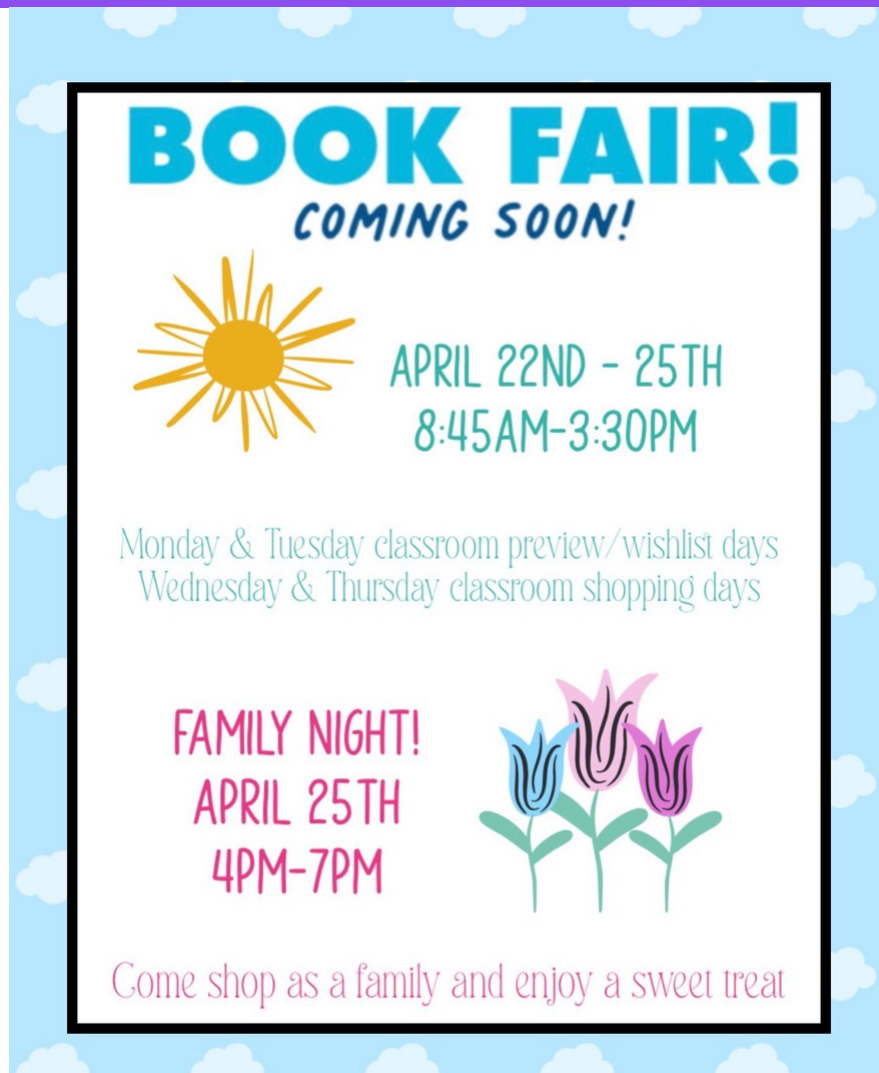


Art News with Mrs. Hall

<https://sites.google.com/westottawa.net/mrs-halls-art-news?usp=sharing>




Moving With Mr. Metz





Outdoor Adventure Biking Camp - Outdoor Adventure Biking Camp with Mr. and Mrs. de
 Outdoor Adventure Biking Camp - Join Biking Camp Today! For students entering 3rd through 6th
 grade! Session 1 - June 24-27 (9 am - Noon) Session 2 - June 24-27 (1 pm - 4 pm)

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NOTES FROM THE NURSE

MEASELS - IT ISN'T JUST A RASH!


As Spring Break approaches I wanted to make you aware that Measles have been reported globally and throughout the U.S. as well as in Michigan.

Measles is a highly contagious, vaccine-preventable disease that is spread by direct person-to-person contact, and through the air.

The virus can live for up to two hours in the air where the infected person was present.

Symptoms of measles:

- High fever (may spike to over 104°F).
- Cough.
- Runny nose.
- Red, watery eyes (conjunctivitis).
- Tiny white spots on the inner cheeks, gums and roof of the mouth, two to three days after symptoms begin.
- A rash that is red, raised, blotchy; usually starts on face, spreads to trunk, arms and legs three to five days after symptoms begin.



The best way to prevent this illness from affecting you or your family is to make sure you are up to date with all vaccines. Please reach out to your Health Care Provider with questions.

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For more information visit
<https://www.cdc.gov/measles/>

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KINDERGARTEN READINESS CAMP FLYER

WHAT IS KINDERGARTEN READINESS CAMP? CLICK ON THE PDF FOR MORE INFORMATION.
**CHILD MUST BE ENROLLED IN KINDERGARTEN FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR OF 2024/2025

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Kindergarten Oral Health Assessment Program

** ATTENTION PARENTS** NEW REQUIREMENT FOR KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT

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