

February 2025

LMMS NEWS

LAKE MURRAY MONTESSORI SCHOOL-LEXINGTON CAMPUS



GREETINGS:

February has gone by so quickly! All of the children have settled nicely into our classroom routines, and are working hard to prepare for **Parent/Child Night** coming up in March.



LMMS EVENTS:

Everyone enjoyed exchanging **Valentines** in their classrooms. They were very creative in making their boxes for this special day and were excited to take them home full of cards and treats! **Thank you to all parents who brought in gifts, flowers, cakes and chocolate treats for all the teachers at LMMS.**

Smile! It is almost time for our Spring Pictures! These will be individual, indoor portraits with a spring background. **Please be sure that your child(ren) is at school by 8:30am; dressed for pictures.** Siblings will be photographed together, as well. Additionally, please remember to bring a school uniform shirt (**labeled please**), and a change of clothes to wear before going outside. This year you can opt into email correspondence directly to the photographer, Katie English, so you can receive your photo gallery and all information directly to your email address. Please click this link below and fill out a very short form: <https://tinyurl.com/LMMSLEX25>

Picture Days will be as follows:

Thursday, March 6th - Siblings and Mrs. Floyd's class.

Friday, March 7th - Ms. Erin's (2s) class and Ms. Wilson's class.

Parent/Child Night for Primary students will be **Friday, March 14th.** We are offering 3 time frames for you to choose from: **4:30pm-5pm or 5pm-5:30pm or 5:30pm-6pm.** There will be sign-up sheets for these times posted at the front desk. The students are looking forward to showing their parents/guardians some of the lessons they have been working on in class. **You will have an opportunity to sign up for the upcoming conferences with your child's(ren's) teacher that evening.**

LMMS will be closed March 17th, this will serve as a Teacher/Staff workday.

Parent-Teacher Conferences for Primary students will be held Tuesday, March 18th through Friday, the 21st. Please watch your email for more information. These conferences are important for you, teachers and most importantly, your child. Questions, concerns and future goals can all be shared during this time. These conferences can be done in person or over the phone. **Please write your preference, phone or in person, when you sign up for a time slot on the sheets posted at the front desk.**



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Happy Birthday to River, Benjamin, Molly C., Zayn, Mishri, Adam, MaiaGene and Mason P. Thank you to all parents who brought in tasty treats for their respective classes. We hope you all enjoyed your child's special day!

A Special Thank You for all the generous donations! To honor recent birthdays, Zayn's family donated a Sensorial lesson to Mrs. Floyd's. River's family donated books, Molly C.'s and Benjamin's family donated Science lessons to Ms. Wilson's class. Adam's family donated some books to Ms. Erin's class. Donations to LMMS were from Callen's family (toys & books), Amelia's & Jasper's and Molly's & Patrick's (tissue boxes).

We would like to congratulate Amelia & Jasper's family on the birth of their baby sister Eleanor and Arjun S.'s family for their baby brother Aryan.

Thank You to the Bell family for helping with recycling this month.

Healthy Living: Many preschoolers are hesitant to try new foods. It is completely normal for young kids to reject foods they have never tried before. Start by offering only one new food at a time. Serve something that you know your child likes along with the new food. Offering too many new foods all at once could be overwhelming. Also, offer new foods first, at the beginning of a meal, when your child is the most hungry.

LMMS REMINDERS:

Tax statements for 2024 are still available. If you've signed up for one and have not received it, please check your email or let us know if you would like one prepared for you.

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 9th. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead.

Absences: If your child will be absent, please let the school know why they are absent when you call or email. Especially if it is due to an illness, we need to know so we can monitor others absent due to the same illness, notify families of potential exposure, and in some cases report to DHEC if a certain percentage of the population is effected.

Instruction and lessons begin promptly at 8am (2's) and 8:30am (Primary) classes. It is important that your child arrives on time to avoid interrupting the students who are already working. **If you must arrive late, please call to let us know, drop off your child at the front desk and Mrs. Gordon or Ms. Miles can take them to class.** Dismissal for our Extended Program begins at 2:10pm. If you must pick your child up before that time, please contact the school prior to your arrival. Frequent early dismissals interrupt the children's learning time.

Outerwear: Please ensure your child has appropriate outerwear for outside playtime. We understand the weather can be a bit unpredictable, but if temperatures permit outdoor time, we like the children to have some fresh air and run/play freely. Children who haven't come to school with warm enough outerwear find it less enjoyable.



"Our care of the children should be governed not by the desire to "make them learn things", but by the endeavor always to keep burning within them the light which is called intelligence."

~ Maria Montessori