



# Lake Placid Elementary School Newsletter

**For the week of May 10- May 17, 2019**

Friday, May 10, 2019	Day 5	Go West!, Environmental Club
Monday May 13, 2019	Day 6	Go West! (Faculty Meeting)
Tuesday, May 14, 2019	Day 1	Newspaper Club, Art Club, 4H, Go West!
Wednesday, May 15, 2019	Day 2	Band, Lego Club
Thursday May 16, 2019	Day 3	Chorus, Kindness Club
Friday, May 17, 2019	Day 4	Go West!, Environmental Club

## Hydroponic Fun!

What do NASA, the USDA, Cornell University, Disney World and LPES all have in common? We all learn from and study hydroponics! LPES now has three Tower Gardens. These gardens work with hydroponics and can teach our students so much about plants, nutrition, mathematics, science and so much more.

The word *hydroponics* has its' roots in the Greek language. "Hydro" in Greek meant water, and the word "ponos" meant labor. Literally, hydroponics means 'water-working.' For us, hydroponics is a technological method of growing plants without the use of soil.

In a hydroponic garden, the plants are fed nutrients from a solution of water and essential vitamins and minerals. The roots of the plant are supported by a *substrate* – a surface on which an organism grows or is attached. Clay beads, gravel, and sand are common substrates in a hydroponic garden but for our purpose we will be using rockwool. Aside from a few minor maintenance tasks, such as checking water levels and cleaning the pump filter, the Tower Garden will take care of itself. And in just a few short weeks, we'll be enjoying abundant homegrown produce, harvested at

its peak. Please ask your students about this project as the weeks go by. We will all be watching our gardens rapidly grow and produce fresh, healthy crops.



## Important Dates:



- May 30: K, 1, and 2 annual Spring Concert on Thursday, May 30 at 6:30 in the LPES gym. The students have been working hard to prepare a program around our theme for the year "Be the Nice Kid".
- June 19: Kindergarten Celebration
- June 21: 5th grade Celebration
- July 9 – Aug 16: Summer School

## Reminders:

The breakfast and lunch menus can be found on our website. Contact Mr. Sean Bavis with any comments or suggestions related to cafeteria services.



<http://www.lpcsd.org/es-breakfast-lunch-menu/>

## Guidance News:

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, June 2nd  
Trail Building at LPES

Be part of a legacy in the making by getting dirty and having fun! We have more trails to build to be able to better utilize our beautiful LPES campus for all kinds of teaching and learning in nature. Details and permission slips will be sent home as we get closer to the date.

### Can Your Child Tie Shoes Yet?

We often talk about the power of the word YET when describing a skill they haven't mastered YET. Students are also taught that we all have things that we are good at that our classmates might not be good at YET (and that it is never OK to make fun of others). We are hoping that all students will know how to tie their own shoes by the end of 2nd grade. This will allow them to tie their own ski boots in 3rd grade, as we noticed many of our older students had not learned to tie yet. Students in 2nd grade had a chance to teach/learn this important skill during a recent guidance lesson. It was fun to see how excited students were to teach a classmate, and to see others be able to tie their shoes by themselves for the first time. We know that many students wear shoes without laces needing tying, so they have not practiced YET. Please encourage your child to keep practicing until they master this important life skill.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES

May 7, 2019 Budget Hearing Wilmington  
May 14, 2019 Budget Hearing Lake Placid  
May 21, 2019 Budget Vote  
June 4, 2019  
June 18, 2019  
July 2, 2019

## Rainy day weather has returned!

Don't forget coats and boots when preparing for school.



For more information regarding the newsletter or its content or to submit content, contact Mrs. Franklin at [sfranklin@lpcsd.org](mailto:sfranklin@lpcsd.org)

EVERY FRIDAY IN MAY!

# CURBSIDE COFFEE

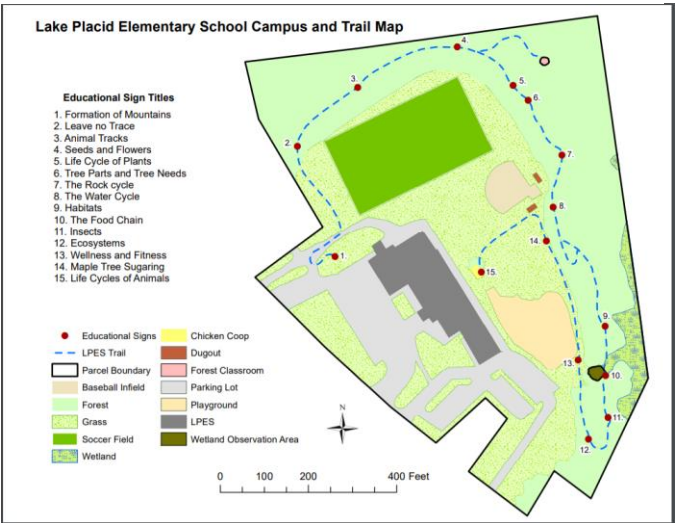
A Fundraiser to Support  
Lake Placid After School Program

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**MAY 3, 10, 17, 31**  
7:45-8:30 AM

**PAY WHAT YOU CAN AND SUPPORT A GREAT PROGRAM!!**

**\*\*Bonus High Fives if you bring a travel mug\*\***  
(p.s. we have cups!)



## LPES ART SHOW

Tuesday, May 21st  
4-6PM

Come see amazing student art work  
in the gym and hallways

Take a tour of our new nature trail to  
see the student art work on our signs

Refreshments available in the gym

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