



# Lake Placid Elementary School Newsletter

## For the week of March 13, 2020

March is Read Across America month! Look for ways to win points for your team and earn that “special day.” Special themed Fridays will be celebrated as well as special menu items. The more you read and participate, the more points you earn.

Friday, March 13: Pajama Day and DEAR (Drop Everything and Read)

Thursday, March 19: Mismatched Day

Friday, March 27: Crazy Hat/Crazy Socks Day

The Lake Placid Sinfonietta music program performs for our students during lunch and later for a concert



## We Need Your Help:

Should the school need to close for an extended time, we would like to be able to continue educating our students through distance learning. In order to plan for this we are asking families about their internet access. Please use the link below to answer a few brief questions. Thank you in advance for assisting us in this planning process.

[Internet Access Questionnaire](#)

Please remember to call your child in as sick before 9:30 at 518-523-3640 ext 2 and leave a brief message as to why they will be absent so we can monitor any illnesses

Home & School Connection newsletter

[http://www.rfecustomer.com/Pubs/202003/823295\\_HS0320\\_E.pdf?ID=8303](http://www.rfecustomer.com/Pubs/202003/823295_HS0320_E.pdf?ID=8303)



## Important Dates:

- March 13 – Dental Day
- March 31 – Author visit
- April 6-17 – Spring Break

## Reminders:

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

The lunch card is not a credit card. Please be sure to keep monies on your child's account if they will be purchasing meals. Let's work together to teach them financial responsibility.

Please contact Mrs. Franklin with any cafeteria or wellness issues

The office closes once the late buses have left. Please be sure to pick up your student from clubs by 3:30pm and if there are any transportation issues, call the bus garage at 518-523-4277.

### Attention:

The Lake Placid Central School District announces the polling hours for the budget vote will be from 2:00 p.m. to **8:00 p.m.** on May 19, 2020. The time change from 9:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. is necessitated due to the Essex County voting machines not being available for the Annual School District Meeting and Election.

The Board of Education will meet to discuss the 2020-2021 budget on March 17, 2020 - 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. It is anticipated that the Board of Education will adopt the final budget on March 31, 2020 or April 20, 2020.

Members of the community are welcome to attend the meeting and/or follow along on BoardDocs <http://www.boarddocs.com/ny/lpcsd/Board.nsf/Public>.

Community members may submit questions they would like the Board to address during their work sessions by email to [lpdistrictclerk@lpcsd.org](mailto:lpdistrictclerk@lpcsd.org) or during the regular Board of Education meetings during the Good of the Cause. The Board of Education meetings are the first and third Tuesdays of the month beginning at 6:30 p.m.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES

March 17, 2020  
March 31, 2020  
April 21, 2020 – BOCES Budget Vote  
May 5, 2020 Budget Hearing Wilmington  
May 12, 2020 Budget Hearing Lake Placid  
May 19, 2020 Budget Vote  
June 2, 2020  
June 16, 2020  
July 7, 2020



Dear Lake Placid and Wilmington Communities,

Although there have been no confirmed cases of Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in the Lake Placid and Wilmington communities, we have been closely monitoring the situation in the United States and New York State. School Officials are working closely with Champlain Valley Educational Services, Essex County Health Department and Essex County Emergency Services in order to be prepared. Please know that nothing is more important to the District than the health and well-being of our students, faculty, and staff.

Given that, I want to encourage you to take care of yourselves and to examine these basic steps to help minimize the risk of illness <https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus/>. Taking good care of yourself is important not just for you, but for the well-being of our community. If you or a loved one are not feeling well or if you develop flu-like symptoms, please seek assistance and advice from medical professionals about how to best care for yourself or a loved one. I also encourage everyone to be as flexible and understanding as possible when a member of our community needs to take time away.

Many of you are making plans for spring and summer travel and may be concerned about how COVID-19 developments will affect your plans. I would urge you to review the latest information from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) prior to departing for your destination ([www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html) or <https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus/>). COVID-19 is being monitored closely worldwide and developments are occurring daily.

I also want to take this opportunity to remind you of our core values of respect, tolerance and understanding for each other. There have been troubling reports from across the globe of individuals from countries thought to be impacted by COVID-19 being stigmatized. Lake Placid Elementary does not condone such behavior, and I ask you to join me in ensuring that everyone in our community is treated with respect and dignity. At a potentially challenging time such as this, we must continue to work together and support each other. Thank you for maintaining a school community that is safe, welcoming and inclusive for everyone.

Sincerely,

Sonja Franklin  
Elementary Principal - Lake Placid Elementary School  
#wemustbekinder

*"Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible." Dalai Lama*

For district updates please see our website at <http://www.lpcsd.org/district/coronavirus-update/>

Know

Others.

**FACT**  
**1**

**Diseases can make anyone sick regardless of their race or ethnicity.**

People of Asian descent, including Chinese Americans, are not more likely to get COVID-19 than any other American. Help stop fear by letting people know that being of Asian descent does not increase the chance of getting or spreading COVID-19.

**FACT**  
**2**

**The risk of getting COVID-19 in the U.S. is currently low.**

Some people who live in or have recently traveled to places where many people have gotten sick with COVID-19 may be monitored by health officials to protect their health and the health of other people in the community.

**FACT**  
**3**

**Someone who has completed quarantine or has been released from isolation does not pose a risk of infection to other people.**

For up-to-date information, visit CDC's coronavirus disease 2019 web page.

**FACT**  
**4**

**You can help stop COVID-19 by knowing the signs and symptoms:**

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

Seek medical advice if you

- Develop symptoms

AND

- Have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.

**FACT**  
**5**

**There are simple things you can do to help keep yourself and others healthy.**

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing; going to the bathroom; and before eating or preparing food.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.



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For more information: [www.cdc.gov/COVID19](http://www.cdc.gov/COVID19)