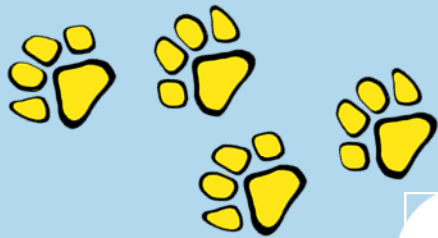


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Dear Parents and Laurel Meadow Staff,

I can't believe it's the end of the school year and summer vacation is two weeks away! I know my kids are ready for some fun in the sun this summer. It's also hard to believe that another year has gone by and our children are moving up to the next grade level. They are growing up before our eyes!



I have truly enjoyed my time as your PTA President this year and look forward to another great year with you for the 2015-2016 school year. We are still looking for some great people to volunteer next year as we have several committee positions open along with our Treasure spot on the Executive Board. We really need some new faces to help make our PTA a success! Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions about our open spots. The following executive board was approved at our meeting on April 30th.

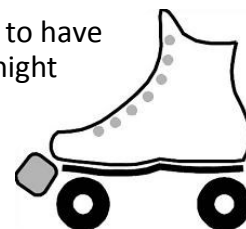
2015-2016 PTA Executive Board

- President – Dana Hughes
- Vice President – Jaime Miller
- Treasurer – OPEN
- Secretary – Marcie DeLung



I want to thank each and every one of you who volunteered this year and participated in our events! Again, we can't make this school or these events a success without the help of YOU – the parents! I would also like to thank our room parents. Your continued support is always needed in the classrooms. And I know the teachers are much appreciative.

Because our roller-skating night was such a success, we decided to have one over the summer! This way, all the students can enjoy one night out with their friends. Just around the time they are starting to get bored at home and missing their friends too. We hope you will join us on Tuesday, July 28th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for our private LMES Roller-Skating night at Skateland in Ashland!!



Please be sure to check our LMES PTA Facebook page over the summer for important updates and open board positions. I look forward to seeing you all in September! Have a GREAT summer!!

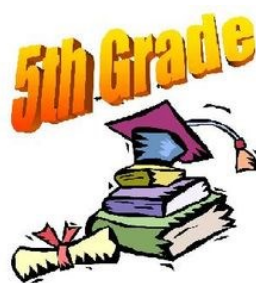
Thanks,
Dana Hughes
PTA President



Principal's Corner - Ms. Karen Carpenter



The 2014-2015 school year is rapidly headed toward the finish line. It has been a year full of teamwork and achievement as the Laurel Meadow family celebrates its seventh year as



a school community. This year, we are celebrating our largest fifth grade class.

These special LMES Lions will be recognized at the Fifth Grade Promotion Program on June 9th. All of

our fifth graders have had a fantastic school year and are ready for the demands and rigors of middle school. They will be missed by their LMES family, but we look forward to hearing about their great accomplishments in the future. We wish them much success as they enter the world of lockers, dances and changing classes.

Congratulations once again go to the following staff members:

- Mrs. Sarah Oates: Teacher of the Year
- Mrs. Beth Webel: Support Employee of the Year

A big thank you goes to all of our volunteers. An additional note of thanks goes to our Top Volunteers: donating the most time according to the office computer:



Bethann Ford, Nikki Deal, Jen Puleo, Keri Beers and David Stewart

A second congratulations goes to Mr. David Stewart. He was honored at the Hanover Spirit of Volunteerism Celebration in May and won in the category - Spirit of One. His

contributions to the school as coordinator of the Watch D.O.G.S Program, work on the PTA Board and his various



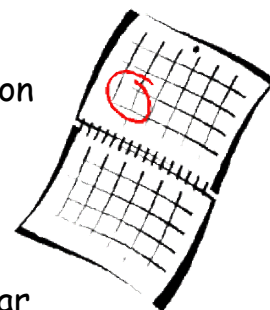
volunteer services to the Mechanicsville Community were highlighted. We are so proud

of him and happy that he is a part of the LMES Team.

Also, many thanks to the parents that volunteer their services by completing tasks at home: Thanks Mrs. Cindy Beasley for compiling our newsletter every month.

Save The Date:

- June 3 - Volunteer Breakfast 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
- June 9 - Grade 5 Promotion Program 6:30 p.m.
- June 10 & 11 - Early Closing 12:30 p.m.
- June 11 - Last Student Day
- August 27 - Kindergarten Parent Information Session 6:00 p.m.
- September 3 - Open House 3:00-5:30 p.m.
- September 8 - First Day of the 2015-2016 School Year
- September 22 - Back to School Night
- September 23 - School Closed



Thanks for another great year. Students and staff have been Wild About Learning this year. We appreciate everyone's hard work and commitment to learning.



Medications:

Please remember to pick up medications from the clinic by June 11th.

Summer Office Hours:

- June 22 - August 20 - The Laurel Meadow Office will be open Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Announcing the
 Reflections Theme for 2015-16...
 "Let Your Imagination Fly"
 You can start working on your
 submissions this summer!





Keep collecting those **BOX TOPS** this summer!

- Winners from the May 15th collection are:
- Kindergarten - Mrs. Blanchard - 307
 - 1st grade - Mrs. Robins - 428
 - 2nd grade - Mrs. Kuti - 212
 - 3rd grade - Mrs. Faulkner - 278
 - 4th grade - Mr. Layne - 645
 - 5th grade - Mrs. Bauer - 287



Dear Room Parents:

Thank you so much for everything you have done this year. Please be in contact with your teachers and classes to plan the end of the year celebration. It has been a pleasure working with everyone. Have a great summer!!

Jaime Miller
Room Parent Coordinator

CHARACTER CORNER

What does it mean to be a good citizen? **CITIZENSHIP** is when we are responsible and respectful to other people, animals and the environment. Students can show good **CITIZENSHIP** at school by listening to their teachers or turning in assignments on time. At home, children can help out by cleaning up their messes and being respectful to their parents. In the community, students can volunteer to pick up trash or plant trees and flowers. One of the best ways to show **CITIZENSHIP** is to use kind words and good manners in all situations.

Throughout the year, teachers have selected one student per class who exemplified each trait. Those students were awarded a certificate of recognition and their picture will appear in our end of the year character education slideshow. Congratulations to our winners for exhibiting this year's six character traits!





First Place Team: Joshua Carter, Daniel Tomlin, Gabe Sweeney, Noah Jonson; **Third Place Team:** Ashleigh Lawrence, Madi Wangenstein, Claire Williamson, Marissa Smither

Students from Ms. Allen's and Mrs. Broughton's math class participated in the spring session of The Stock Market Game, a simulation of "real world" stock market trading sponsored by the Virginia Council on Economic Education. 18,000 students competed in this year's games. Congratulations to two teams for winning in the Elementary VCU region!

THANK YOU TO MECHANICSVILLE HOME DEPOT FOR DONATING PAINT STIRRERS FOR THE 4TH GRADE HUICHO WEAVING PROJECT!



JUNE 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 SweetFrog Spirit Night	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 K-2 nd End of Year Parties	9 3 rd -5 th End of Year Parties	10 Early Release	11 Last Day of School Early Release	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	<div data-bbox="113 598 665 955" data-label="Text"> <p>Don't forget to check the Lost and Found to retrieve misplaced belongings before the end of school! Unclaimed items will be donated.</p>  </div>		24	25	 <p>IT'S SUMMER!</p>	
28			26	27		
				<p>COMING JULY - SEPT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> July 28th - Roller Skating @ Ashland Skateland Aug. 27th - Kindergarten Parent Info. Session Sep. 3rd - Open House Sep. 8th - First Day of School Sep. 22nd - Back to School Night 		

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Dear LMES Parents,
I would like to thank all the Watch D.O.G.S. volunteers for their support of the LMES Watch DOGS program. It was an honor to

oversee this program for the past four years. It is sad to say that this year will be my last year as Top Dog. This has been a great year for this program because of the caring fathers that we have at LMES.

Also, I would like to thank all the teachers and staff that support this great program. I would like to call out Diane Rodriguez for the hard work she does to get the schedules ready for our dads.

I'm looking forward to seeing new things from the new leaders that will oversee this great program.

Thanks,
David Stewart
Top Dog Director

