Wild About earning.





Dear Parents and Laurel Meadow Staff,

I can't believe it's the end of the school year, and summer vacation is just over two weeks away! I know my kids and I 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 sure grow up too quickly!

A big thank you to Mrs. Peggy Matthews for planning such a fun field day! I hope all the students enjoyed themselves at this year's National Park themed field day. Check out one of our many National Parks this summer!

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.

We are still looking for some great people to volunteer next year as we have several committee positions still open. We really need some new faces to help make our **P7/4** a success! Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions about any open spots. Be sure to check our LMES **P774** Facebook page over the summer for important updates and open positions.

Because our roller-skating nights have been such a success, we are doing another one this 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 26th from 6:30-8:30 for our private LMES Roller Skating Night!!



I have truly enjoyed my time as your **P774** President the past two years and look forward to seeing everyone in September! As always, please feel free to contact me at daveanddanahughes@comcast.net if you have any guestions! Have a GREAT summer!!

> Sincerely, Dana Hughes

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🌣👺 👺 Principal's Corner - Ms. Karen Carpenter 👺 🍣 🤻



The 2015-2016 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 eighth year as a school community. On Tuesday, June 14th we will recognize our current fifth graders as they prepare to transition to middle school. Our fifth grade students 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 Willard: Teacher of the Year Mrs. Mary Jackson: Support Employee of the Year

l hank You!

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:

Nikki Deal, Bethann Ford, Jen Puleo, David Stewart, Cindy Beasley, Kristin Konopka, and Kirby Striano

Also, many thanks to the parents that volunteer their services by completing tasks at home, such as Mrs. Beasley. A very special thanks goes to Mrs. Gale Bryant, our master gardener. She spent many hours in our courtyard weeding and mulching in May. Her hard work has made the courtyard a great place to { eat lunch and conduct outdoor lessons.

Teacher Appreciation Week was a roaring success. Many thanks to all of the parents and PTA that provided so many treats for the staff. Also, thanks to Affordable Spa Services for their complimentary chair massages.

Finally, a special thanks goes to our PTA Officers: Dana Hughes, Jaime Miller, Jen Puleo, and Marcie DeLung and the numerous Committee Chairs that committed many hours to ensure that all of the PTA events were successful.

Save The Date:

June 8 - Volunteer Breakfast 8:30 -9:30 a.m.

June 14 - Grade 5 Promotion Program - 6:30 p.m.

June 15 & 16 - Early Closing - 12:30 p.m.

June 16 - Final School Day

August 25 - Kindergarten Parent Information Session - 6:00 p.m.

September 1 - Open House 3:00-5:30 p.m.

September 6 - First Day of the 2016-2017 School Year

September 29 - Back to School Night

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 school clinic by June 16th.



Summer Office Hours:

June 27 - August 18 - The Laurel Meadow Office will be open Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Curriculum Update:

Hanover County Public Schools offers a compacted curriculum in mathematics for some fourth and fifth grade students. Fourth grade students meeting the criteria for the compacted 4/5 grade class will be taught the entire fourth grade Math Standards of Learning and portions of the fifth grade Standards.

Fifth grade students eligible for the compacted 5/6 grade class will complete the fifth grade Standards of Learning and the entire sixth grade Standards of Learning. These students would take the Math 6 SOL test at the end of fifth



grade. It is important to note that this is considered a middle school course; therefore the middle school grading scale will apply.

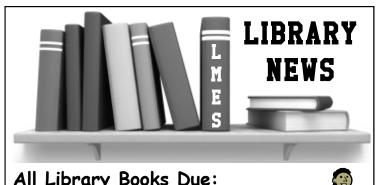
Teachers and administration analyze multiple criteria to determine the best placement for each student.

A Fond Farewell:

Next school year, we will be truly miss Mr. Barry Zeigler. He has been a part of the LMES Family since the school opened and has been part of the "pulse" of the school. He has decided to hang up his hat and



retire so he can spend more time with his family. We wish him a wonderful retirement and hope that he visits often. Mr. Z -LMES won't be the same without you!!!



All Library Books Due:

Due Friday, June 3rd

After that, please continue to access our Virtual Library at http://hcps.us/lmes/library.htm. Find out more about our library collection through Destiny Library Catalog, read an ebook, or use online reference sources that are up to date and reliable.

Congratulations to all of the runners (and walkers) who participated in our 2nd annual Rock 'n Roll 5K & Fun Run! A huge "high five" to the following LMES winners:

FUN RUN Winners:

3rd-5th Grade Boys:

1st - Ben Chandler 2nd - Grayson Roberts

3rd - Talan Hale

3rd-5th Grade Girls:

1st - Jordan Gregory

2nd - Emily Willard 3rd - Lindsey DiNapoli

K-2nd Grade Boys:

1st - Derek Helms 2nd - Wyatt Kelly

3rd - Riley Johnson

K-2nd Grade Girls:

1st - Mackenzie Beers

2nd - Abby Chandler

3rd - Rebecca Marston

5 Winners:

3rd-5th Grade Boy: Joshua Gray

3rd-5th Grade Girl: Jordan Gregory

K-2nd Grade Boy: Kaden Layne

K-2nd Grade Girl: Kayla Sharman



Thank you to Kevin Layne, Alicia Broughton, and all of our faculty and staff who coordinated and helped out with such a fun and successful event!







Mrs. Talley and ou All-County Chorus at the Hanover County Arts & Science Festival



Don't forget to check the Lost and Found



to retrieve misplaced belongings before the end of school! There are some AWESOME

items that will be donated if they are not claimed by June 16th

Dear LMES Families.

It is hard to believe that I've been putting this newsletter together for four years. With excitement and some sadness, I pass the baton to Nicole Call. Please help me welcome her! Please continue to make submissions to LMESnewsletter@gmail.com.



Many thanks! Cindy Beasley

