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**PTA**

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- Apr 20 - Kindergarten Registration
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- Apr 25 - Papa John's Teacher Delivery
- Apr 27 & 28 - Field Day
- May 1-5 Book Fair (Family Night 5/2  
7:45AM - 6:30PM)
- May 3 - Walk to School
- May 5 - LMES Spirit Wear
- May 9 - Panera Spirit Night
- May 12 - Muffins with Mom
- May 13 - LMES 5K
- May 15 - SOL Testing begins
- May 29 - Student Holiday

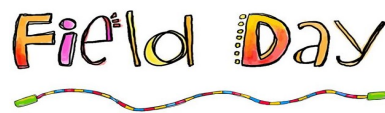


Dear Parents and Laurel Meadow Staff,

March was a very busy and exciting month at LMES! Thanks to everyone who was involved in all of the activities and made them a success! April has plenty of fun activities lined up so make sure you check our calendar. I am not sure about everyone else, but I know my family and I are ready for spring break. We are hoping for nice weather and looking forward to the mental break.



After spring break, we have many fun activities planned. Our Papa John's teacher delivery night gives you a night off from cooking while enjoying yummy pizza. Although we cannot guarantee that your child's teacher will be the one who delivers your pizza, we can guarantee that it will be an LMES teacher (or two) that will show up at your house with a smile and your pizza. Our teachers earn money to use in their classrooms and appreciate everyone's support. There is also a friendly competition based on which team makes the most tips and Papa John's gives awards accordingly. Don't miss out on this fun event!!!



We also have field day coming up that is lots of fun. Ms. Matthews puts in a great deal of hard work resulting in two wonderful fun filled days. Hope to see everyone there!

Please feel free to contact me at [jgmiller77@hotmail.com](mailto:jgmiller77@hotmail.com) if you have any questions. We are also still looking for volunteers for next year for the PTA. No matter if you have lots of time or just a tiny bit, we would love to have you join us.

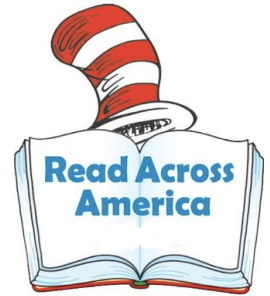
Sincerely,  
Jaime Miller  
**PTA** President



# Principal's Corner - Ms. Karen Carpenter



March was a month full of school activities. We started our month with celebrating "Read Across America Week." The week was full of activities which promoted school spirit and a focus on reading, especially the books written by the famous Dr. Seuss. The highlight of the week was our first graders and their performance of the show *Seussical*. The famous musical was adapted by Mrs. Tiffany Talley, music teacher, which highlighted the musical skills of our students. Many thanks to our talented children, amazing music teacher and the special characters that made an appearance in the show: The Cat in the Hat, Thing 1, Thing 2, and Horton.



Looking toward the future, please mark your calendars and remind your neighbors of the upcoming Kindergarten Registration Day on Thursday, April 20, 2017. The registration will be held in the school gymnasium during the hours of 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Children who will be 5 years old by September 30, 2017, can start kindergarten in the fall. To register, parents need to bring the following items: the child's birth certificate and two proofs of residency in the Laurel Meadow attendance zone (one being a deed or a lease). The parent or guardian should bring a photo ID on registration day. Before the child can begin school in the fall, a School Entrance Health Form must be completed by a physician. You can complete the School Enrollment Forms by going to the Hanover County website and downloading the registration forms at [www.hanover.k12.va.us](http://www.hanover.k12.va.us). We are looking forward to meeting our new Laurel Meadow Lions.

Another important event in April is the Laurel Meadow Field Day. Grades 3-5 have their field day on Thursday, April 27th, and Grades k-2 have field day on Friday, April 28th. We are hoping for perfect weather on those two days.

As we begin to plan the 2017 -2018 school year, we always know that there will be changes to our staff. A big change will be happening at Laurel Meadow. Our own Karen Dubiel, Assistant Principal, will be leaving Laurel Meadow to become a Principal in Chesterfield County. She is excited about her new opportunity but will miss her Laurel Meadow family. She has been a wonderful administrator and we wish her the best as she continues her journey as a school leader. Best of luck Mrs. Dubiel! You will be missed by the children, parents and staff.



## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

A big thank you goes to Mr. Geoff Young. He has been volunteering behind the scenes for many years and never expects any recognition. He is extremely talented and is always willing to assist with various projects in the building.

Most notably, he grouted and created the frames for the grade 3 mosaic murals, which are located above each water fountain throughout the school. They look fantastic! Also, Mr. Young prepared wood blocks for a grade 5 trophy making art project. The trophies have been displayed in the art room window and in the display case in the upstairs hallway.

Finally, the school recently received a \$250.00 check from Bank of America, Mr. Young's employer. They provided us with the grant funds because he volunteered over 50 hours to contribute to his community. Thank you so much Mr. Young for being such an involved parent and community member.



## LMES - Spring 2017 SOL Schedule

### Grades 3-5

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
May 15	16  5 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Reading I	17  5 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Reading II	18  4 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Reading I	19  4 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Reading II
22  4 <sup>th</sup> Grade - VA Studies	23  3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade - Reading I	24  3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade - Reading II	25  5 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Math I 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Math	26  5 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Math II
29  Holiday - NO School	30	31  3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade - Math I	June 1  3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade - Math II	2  5 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Science
5	6  4 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Math I	7  4 <sup>th</sup> Grade - Math II	8	9

\*ALL Reading and Math Tests are Computer Adaptive Tests.\*

\*SOL make-ups will occur throughout the testing window from May 17<sup>th</sup>-June 9<sup>th</sup>. A schedule for expedited retakes and remediation will be added to this calendar closer to the testing window.



**BACON, GRAVY, PIZZA, MEATBALLS,  
BUFFALO WINGS, and FULLY LOADED NACHOS  
You had me at bacon!!!!**

**Signup to volunteer today:** <https://lmespta.wordpress.com/watch-d-o-g-s/>

\*Watch-D.O.G.S. is not responsible for your sudden hunger nor can we promise that the above items are available on the day you volunteer

\*\*the more often you sign-up, the greater your chances of winning

**We Need You!**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4 Spirit Night 	5	6	7 LMES Spirit Wear Report Cards Early Release	8
9	10	11	12 SPRING BREAK	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Kindergarten Registration 	21	22 Arts & Science Festival
23	24	25 	26	27 3rd-5th 	28 Pre K - 2nd	29
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Thank you!



Thank you to the family of Alex Nunnally for donating a new rocking chair to the library!!

**At Laurel Meadow,**  
I respect myself and others.  
I have the power to make good choices.  
I am responsible for my learning.  
I have pride in my school.

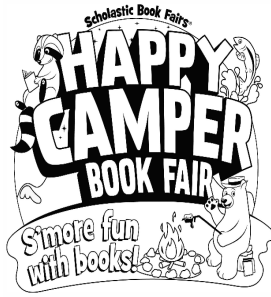


**April 17th-21st-Mystery Reader Week**

Contact Mrs. Kaloski for more information.

[mkaloski@hcps.us](mailto:mkaloski@hcps.us)

**Steven K. Smith-Author Visit for 4th-5th grades  
April 18th 8:30am**



**Happy Camper Book Fair  
May 1st-5th Volunteers  
Wanted:**

**Sign Up Genius Link:**

<https://tinyurl.com/za7dkya>