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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 less than two weeks away! I know the kids are excited for their end of the year parties and 5th grade Promotion! 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! Please join us for our last Spirit Night at the new Mechanicsville Mod Pizza on Tuesday, June 4th. This is an all day event so stop by for lunch or dinner or both!

I also want to take a moment to THANK YOU for all your support to the PTA this year by becoming a PTA member, participating in the Boosterthon fundraiser, going to our monthly spirit nights and attending our PTA Snowflake Breakfast and Family Dinner and Dance events! Thru your support, the PTA was able to give the school \$9,223, Teachers and Staff \$4,025, Resource Teachers (Art, GT, Library, Music, PE) \$2,000, and 5th Grade promotion \$200. And we are super excited to provide \$500 for the Karen R. Carpenter scholarship to a current Hanover High School senior who once attended LMES!

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 PTA a success and grow for years to come! Be sure to check our LMES PTA Facebook page over the summer for important updates and open board positions.

It has been my pleasure being your President this past school year. We sent home a survey to get some feedback on events we sponsored this year, I hope you took the time to fill it out and send back in. We are always looking for ways to improve our events and different ideas. Please feel free to contact me anytime this summer at mergyrx@aol.com!

Have a fantastic summer!!

Sincerely,
Kristin Konopka
PTA President

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The 2018-2019 school year is quickly winding down. Thank you to all the families and community members who have volunteered at LMES! We encourage folks to take the time to volunteer at PTA programs and events. Students benefit so much from feeling like they are part of a community.

The following list shows our Top 25 Volunteers in terms of time donated to LMES.

Jennifer Puleo	Krista Barnes	Stephanie Randesi
Kristin Konopka	Michelle Enders	Heather Alentado
Angela Helms	Karen Brown	Christine Betts
Leigh Ferrell	Carrie Hoge	Korrie Frank
Bethann Ford	Sarah Stewart	Desiree Reulet
Ahlece Leerdam-Gadsosn	Bettina Fredericksen	Josephine Mitchell
Elizabeth Elza	Judy Jonker	Amy Johnson
Carrie Roberts	Robin Lynn	David Dupuis
		Robert Lupton

Thank You!

Over the summer, we encourage students to remain active as learners. Here are some things parents can do to help their children maintain their achievement at school while having fun:

- Make a calendar of free activities and concerts in the Richmond area. If time allows, enjoy some of these activities together.
- Encourage students to continue to read over the summer. Visit the local libraries or our Little Free Library for books.
- Encourage students to write: keep a nature journal, a spy notebook, or a poetry journal
- Stay active: run, walk, bike, or swim. Active bodies create active minds.
- Garden! Use a pot and allow children to create a square foot garden. They can make observations and eat the fruits of their labors.
- Make arts and crafts.

- Check out what students will be learning about during the next school year, and have them watch educational programs on the topic.
- http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/standards_docs/science/index.shtml
- http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/standards_docs/history_socialscience/



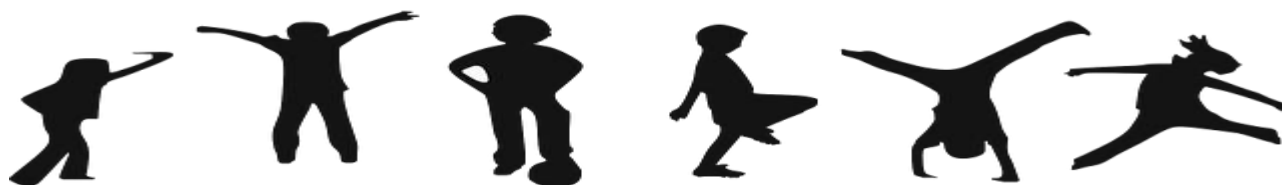
The Boys vs Girls Box Tops contest was a huge success! The Girls came out on top with 1887 Box Tops, while the Boys were close behind with 1760. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to raise \$365 for our school!

From the ART Room



What a great year! This year LMES artists created hundreds of beautiful art. We had our first Family Art Fest! and Osmo systems were funded by an Hanover Education Foundation Creative Instructional Grant. Thank you for making this year creative and beautiful! Please encourage your child to draw, paint or create art over the summer! Have a creative and safe summer! Ms. Hairston

The Rundown In PE



We have all enjoyed another active year! From learning new skills to perfecting older ones. Field Day was a great success with students enjoying themselves. This year the Run Club topped out this Spring with over 55 participants who ran well over 1,200 MILES this year. Shout out to Braden Puleo for leading the way!

To access your students fitness scores (3-5) go to focusedfitness.org The user name is their lunch #, password is your last name. Once you see their scores pick an area of fitness to work on and perfect over the summer months! Fitness testing goes through 10th grade so keep up the practice.



Please have a safe, healthy and active summer! See you in September!

2019 Karen R. Carpenter Scholarship Recipient

The LMES PTA would like to congratulate Kora Kane on being the recipient of the 2019 Karen R Carpenter Scholarship. Kora plans to continue her education at Virginia Tech and major in Communications and Business.



JUNE 2019

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NEWS AND NOTES

The LMES PTA Newsletter will be all electronic for the 2019-2020 school year. You can receive the newsletter link in an email by signing up for e-connect for Laurel Meadow. The newsletter will be posted on the Laurel Meadow PTA website as well as a link on the PTA Facebook page.

Thank you for all the donations for the Staff Appreciation Breakfast! The event was a success. Thanks for helping show our Teachers and Staff how much we appreciate what they do for our children every day.