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Character Day Essay Winners

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Month of the Military Family Student Essay Winners



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Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your many calls, visits, volunteer hours, presentations, and contributions!

We have returned from winter break and gotten right back into the routines and procedures of hard work. The first semester ends next Thursday, January 24th. All students will return to school on Monday, January 28th, to begin a new semester with new schedule modifications.

Please take time over the next few days to monitor your child's progress and missing assignments.

Thank you for being flexible and for helping our students get back into regular sleeping and working patterns. Thank you for helping us adjust to the weather changes and delays.

To those of you who are new to our community, we welcome you to LMS! Call us if you need additional help and support during this time of transition and adjustment.

Join us and participate in our community of learners. We need you to be visible at LMS!

Wishing you all the healthiest and happiest new year ever!

Mary Zimmerman-Bayer

Principal, Lakenheath Middle School



Learn
Motivate
Succeed

Information Center

New Online Library Catalog

All DoDDS schools are switching to a new online catalog called **Encore**. Students will be receiving an orientation to this program during the next few weeks. It will allow students (and parents) to see what we have in our library and to do research with Research Pro. Each student has an account which can be accessed with the student's name (last name, first name) and student ID. You can find the link to Encore on the school webpage. Just go to the library! Do have a look.

Winterland of Snow: <http://animoto.com/play/i3V1kV1cKCecRxr0x00HEw>

Important Dates

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

Terra Nova testing is scheduled for March 18-22.

It is imperative your child be here everyday during this week.

Please do not plan any trips or medical appointments.

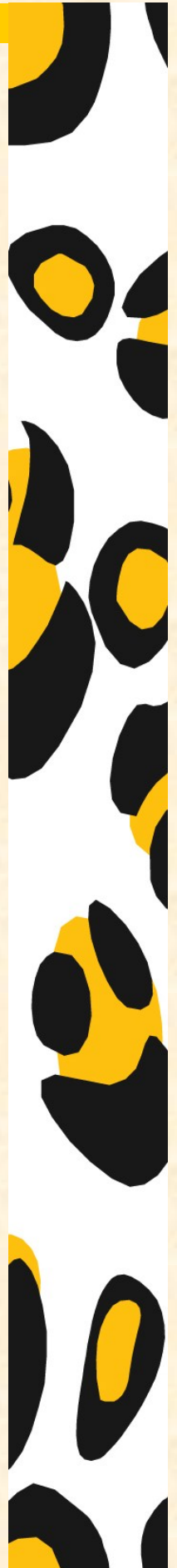
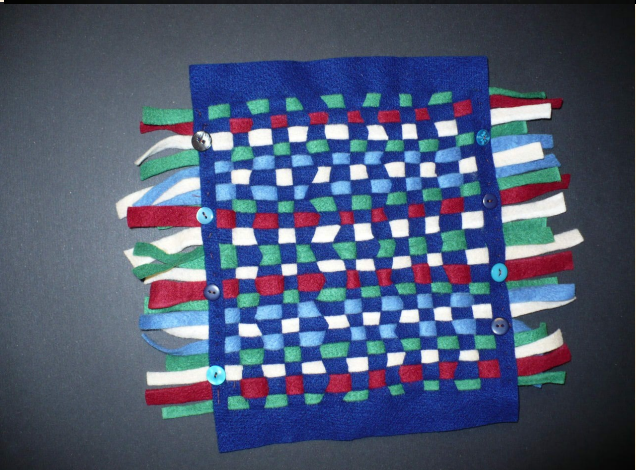
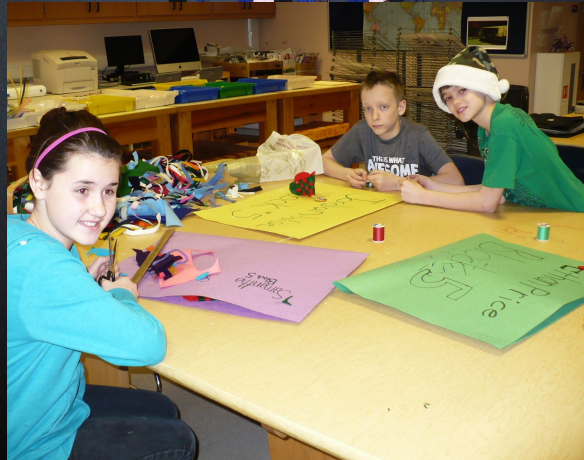
Spring Break is April 5-12 and family trips should be planned for this time.

Terra Nova

Art News

LMS 6th grade “elves” were hard at work during Quarter 2 producing felt weavings and woven felt heart tree decorations as their in class projects. Students learned how to weave first using paper and then moved onto felt, where they embellished the finished weaving with beads, buttons, and ribbons. Many have chosen to give these weavings to their parents for a Christmas present.

Students also produced a 3-dimensional heart ornament. This not only encompassed weaving but they also learned how to thread a needle and sew on beads to complete the project. On the last day before the winter break, Mrs. Green filled each heart with chocolate kisses for each student to take home. Thank you to all the elves from Mrs. Green for doing such a great job!



Art News



During Native American Month, LMS students in Mrs. Green's art classes all produced a project for entry. Sixth grade students studied the Navajo weavers and their rug designs as inspiration for paper weavings. They were challenged to use paper to emulate the natural colors the weavers use from the natural wool from their sheep.

Seventh and eighth grade classes produced "buffalo hide" pictographs after studying the Plains Indians. These tribes drew and painted their tribe's history and movements onto the cleaned hides of buffalo using stick figure types of images which indicated people, diseases, animals, etc.

Winners in the LMS contest were Michelle Legan (8th grade), first place, and Darby Michaud. They were presented with a certificate and a gift card from MSgt Kennethia Kennard, USAF 48FW/EO. Thanks to MSgt Kennard, as well, for magnets, bookmarks, and t-shirts commemorating Native Americans which were given to each contest entry.



Music News

Winter Concert in Dec. at Lakenheath Middle School.

"The annual Lakenheath American Middle School Choir concert" celebrates another season of music-making for all to enjoy. Featured this year, in addition to the excellent work of beginning, intermediate and show choir students, were solo and ensemble students within the choirs. Additionally, guitar students performed a medley of Christmas songs, celebrating the winter cheer!"

Mr. Lee Koupal, Director



Consumer Science



Students from Family Consumer Science and Business Enterprise classes enjoyed a day at Denver Mill and Sluice. The tours were enlightened although a bit chilly in the mill. Views along the river, at the Sluice, were breathtakingly beautiful with the gorgeous blanket of white snow. The chill did not dampen our spirits with students exploring historic sites and talking with experts.



They each returned with their own loaf of delicious bread baked in an ancient mill that continues to grind their own flour from the locally sourced grain. What a fun and ex-



Geography Bee

Taylor Witmer, an 8th grade Hammersmith House student, won the school-level competition of the National Geographic Bee on Thursday, January 10th and now has a chance at an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington DC in May for the finals, hosted by Jeopardy's Alex Trebek, and a \$25,000 college scholarship. The school-level Bee, at which students answered oral questions on geography, was the first round in the 25th annual National Geographic Bee. Taylor then took a written test for the next round, which was sent out on Tuesday, and we are currently awaiting the results. Congratulations and good luck to Taylor!!

Lunch Time:

Parents and Students: Lunch times will change for 7th and 8th Graders starting Monday, January 28th, 2013.

7th Grade: 1131-1211

6th Grade: 1215-1251

8th Grade: 1258-1338

PRE ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

Yearbooks can be purchased in the front office until
March 6 for \$30.

Checks can be made payable to LMS SAF.

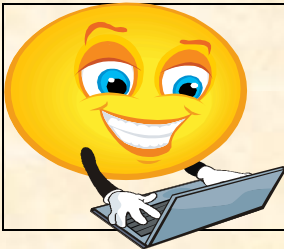
Please do not leave valuable items unsecured in your locker. Mobile phones (including camera phones), MP3 Players (iPod, Zune), DVD's, and computer handheld games (Nintendo DS/DSI, PSP, iPad) are prohibited on the school campus.

Do not bring these items to school.

See technology tips regarding bringing e-readers to school



TECHNOLOGY TIPS



If you have questions or problems, please email our school Educational Technologist Dr. Brei-Crawley at jo.brei-crawley@eu.dodea.edu or call 226-7340.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Lakenheath Middle School Sponsors and Employees
SUBJECT: Asbestos Management Program

In accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, we are required to notify you regarding the presence of asbestos in our building. The facility constructed for Lakenheath Middle School (Building 109) was designed to be asbestos free. According to the inspection report dated December 10, 2012, the entire Lakenheath Middle School facility has been declared free of asbestos.

This memorandum supersedes all previous memorandums of the same subject.

Parents should be proactive in the morning (and throughout the cold weather season) by finding-out the current road conditions by accessing the RAFL home page at <http://www.lakenheath.af.mil/> and view "Road Conditions" or call the RAFL weather line at DSN: 226-3541

Comm: 01638-523541.

When road conditions are "Red", school is normally delayed for two-hours (bus departures are delayed two-hours from their normal departure times). It is important to note that because the schools are located on RAFL and RAFF, school delays and closures are determined by the RAFL road conditions.



Attendance Policy

Parents~

It is of the utmost importance you call the attendance line at 01638-52-7837 or DSN 226-7837 or email the attendance inbox LakenheathMS.Attendance@eu.dodea.edu whenever your child(ren) will be late or absent for any period of time.

All parents must physically come into the school and sign your child(ren) in if they are tardy.

Please review the attendance policy at the below link with useful FAQs many parents have asked about the new policy.

<http://www.dodea.edu/attendance/index.cfm>



PTO NEWS

DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE PTO DOES (HAS DONE SO FAR THIS YEAR)?

Hosted the welcome back breakfast for teachers on their first day back

Hosted the hot dog dinner at the LMS Open House in August

Source of school spirit wear

Organized school pictures and family photo night sessions for Christmas

Ran Fall Book fair

Hosting monthly teacher appreciation luncheons

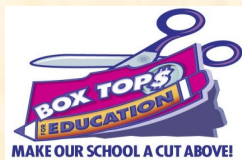
Sponsoring Geography Bee

School store and popcorn sales weekly during lunch on Tuesdays

Box Tops are always being collected. Already ran our first contest and gave the winning class in each House a party. Box Tops can now be used at the school store and for popcorn (1 Box Tops = 5¢). We also collect Tysons UPC labels and Labels for Education (selected Campbell's/Pepperidge Farm/BIC products). We have already used our collected points to purchase much needed supplies for the AVID Program.

Provided water and a turkey for the annual NJHS Turkey Trot

Helped with snacks and volunteers for the Character Day in October



There is a new Box Tops Contest starting Jan. 14 and ending on Feb. 22. The theme is "Looking for the homebases with the most heart".

The winning homebase in each house will win a treat.

Please note during this contest Box Tops cannot be used to purchase popcorn or from the spirit store.

Thank you for your support!

PTO Officers

President: Tonya House: thouse51@hotmail.com

Vice President: Michele Morehead: tommynmichele@hotmail.com

Treasurer: Vicky Forehand: JCV4_hand@yahoo.com

Secretary: Ilisa Friedman: afif.global@gmail.com

Volunteer/Membership Coordinator: Antonette Turner: qua_zsoto@yahoo.com

Richard Cade, Teacher Representative









Facebook Page: Lakenheath Middle School PTO

Get more information about Lakenheath Middle School at our website:

<http://www.lake-ms.eu.dodea.edu/>

January 2013

Calendar of Events








Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 	11	12
13	14	15 	16 	17 	18 	19
20	21 	22	23	24	25 	26
27	28 	29	30	31		

January

- 10-National Geographic Bee
- 15-16 Denver Mills Field Trip
- 17-18 Foreign Language Exams
- 18-Victoria House Field Trip
- 18-6th Grade Drama Field Trip
- 21-MLK Holiday, No School
- 25-No School
- 28-Quarter 3 Starts



February 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 	13	14	15 	16
17	18 	19 	20	21	22	23
24	25 	26	27	28		

February

- 2-Leadership Super Saturday
- 4-No School
- 12-Solo Choir Concert
- 15-Leadership Dance
- 18-No School
- 19-NAEP Testing
- 25-8th Grade Orientation



After School Activities

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Meeting Day</u>
Leadership*	Ms. Hacker Room 275	6th—1st & 3rd Tuesday of month 7th—2nd & 4th Tuesday of month 8th—1st & 3rd Thursday of month
Service Club**	Dr. Espinoza Room 164	Tuesdays & Thursdays
Computer Club**	Mr. Cook Room 223	Tuesdays only
Drama Club	Ms. Ali	Tuesdays & Thursdays until the production in November
Garden Club**	Ms. Taylor Room 172	Tuesdays & Thursdays
Homework Club**	Ms. Cox Room 173	Tuesdays & Thursdays
Cater Cats Club***	Ms. Bruce Room 124	Tuesdays & Thursdays
Video Club**	Mr. Wedekind Room 226	Tuesdays only
Yearbook Club**	Ms. Viscomi Room 228	Tuesdays & Thursdays
Guitar Club**	Ms. Shea Room 174	Tuesdays only
Jazz Cats	Ms. Brobst Room 130	Thursdays only
Walking Club**	Ms Brandon Room 120	Tuesdays & Thursdays

* Students can join at anytime throughout the year until March

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*** Students can join until full



JOIN US FOR THE FIRST "FAMILY LINKS"

*AN RAF MILDENHALL, RAF LAKENHEATH, AND DODDS
JOINT INITIATIVE*

*TO HELP KIDS AND PARENTS COPE WITH
THE CHALLENGES OF DEPLOYMENTS*

31 JAN 2013/5:00 P.M.

AT THE RAF LAKENHEATH LIBERTY
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL



**FUN AND INTERACTIVE GROUPS FOR
KIDS AND PARENTS**

GROUPS: K-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-8th, High School, and Parents

DINNER PROVIDED!!!

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE FOR PRESCHOOLERS

Call your Airman and Family Readiness Center

to sign-up by **25 Jan.**

(RAFM 238-3406 OR RAFL 226-3847)



**LAKENHEATH
MIDDLE
SCHOOL**
HOME OF THE LEOPARDS

RAF Feltwell
Bldg. 109
Thetford, Norfolk
IP26 4HL



Important Numbers &
Email Addresses

Attendance Office: ***

01638-527837

DSN: 226-7837

Email:

LakenheathMS.Attendance@eu.dodea.edu

****Please be sure to contact the attendance office either by phone or email if your child is going to be out or tardy to school.*

If your child is going to be late to school, you the parent must come into the office and sign them in.

Student/Parent Gradespeed Accounts:

Email: Jo.Brei-Crawley@eu.dodea.edu

Bus Office:

Now located in Building 58

01638-527013

DSN: 226-7013

Email: Lakenheath.SBO@eu.dodea.edu



**LMS
LEOPARDS**

SAC—School Advisory Council

President: Matt Driver

Vice President: JoEllen Treherne

Secretary: Tonya House

Historian: English Arnold

Committee Members (Parents): Elaine Ciero, Rosario Valenzuela

Committee Members (Teachers): Stacey Hull, Jan Starnes, Laura Valentine, Barbara VanMatre

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Principal: Ms Mary Zimmerman-Bayer

Isles District Superintendent: Mr Frank Roehl