

Lakeview Elementary School Newsletter

January 2009

Judy Chance, *Principal*

Lakeview Elementary School
The Eagle's Nest
Soaring to Success



Lakeview Elementary School Mission Statement

The mission of Lakeview Elementary School is to inspire all students to be passionate, continuous learners and to prepare them with the skills to achieve their goals and flourish as responsible, caring citizens in a global community.

Mark your Calendar

- ◆ 1/9: Backwards Day
- ◆ 1/12: Minimum Day
- ◆ 1/19: No School-
Martin Luther King
Holiday
- ◆ 2/13- No School-
Lincoln's Day
- ◆ 2/16- No School-
President's Day

Principally Speaking

We are counting our blessings and making our New Year's resolutions here at Lakeview and extending our best wishes to you all for a great new year. As the calendar page turned and school resumed, we find ourselves at the mid-point of the school year. A reminder, progress reports will be sent home Friday, January 16th. The end of the second trimester is February 20th. If you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, please make sure to contact the classroom teacher.

One of the goals here at Lakeview is to help students learn the "Fourth R", responsibility. As one of the Character Counts virtues we want to continue to emphasize the importance of this virtue beyond the month it was recognized. Part of this learning is helping children to take responsibility for their own learning and their own behavior at home and at school. Rewarding children for making good choices for what they do and when they do it, is important in shaping learned responsibility. Much of our positive reward/ and recognition program at Lakeview, including Eagle Nest Cards, Eagle Eye Drawings, and Good for a Sub certificates are used to emphasize responsible behaviors. At home there are ways for parents to

assist in helping their child become more responsible. Here are a few ideas to help your child organize his/her time and set priorities.

- Help keep track of school assignments and have a daily student plan.
- Emphasize your parent expectations for school attendance, grades, chores and honesty.
- Set a calendar for long-term assignments to help your child budget his/her time. Help him/her break down the job into small steps and plan how much time is needed for each step.
- Track TV or computer/video game time. Setting a goal of reading for the same amount of time that is spent on these activities may help your child reorganize priorities.

We believe that the partnership between school and home is imperative to school success. We want to support your child in every way possible.

Sincerely,
Judy Chance

Lakeview Elementary School receives recognition...

We have received notification that Lakeview has been recognized and named as a "California Business for Education Excellence/Just for Kids-California Honor Roll School" for 2008. The recognition is for "outstanding success made in raising student academic achievement". Student achievement data for every school in California is reviewed and Lakeview "stood above the rest in getting students to grade-level proficiency". This is a testament to the hard work by the Lakeview staff and the supportive parent community with whom we partner. Congratulations!

Attendance is Important

I want to continue to emphasize the importance of school attendance. There is no replacement for missed instruction. In addition, the loss of revenue to the district is especially detrimental in a year of budget uncertainty. We realize that children who are ill need to be at home. However, if at all possible, please make medical, dental and family appointments after school, so that your child is able to attend school before or after the appointment. In just the first two days back from winter break we accumulated a loss of \$1710. So please consider the importance of attendance before you pull your child from school.

“If a student is absent due to illness, appointment, or family business, the district does not receive the money”

Intel Parents

If you are interested in spending a day or so with your fellow Lakeview/Intel colleagues improving our school AND raising grant dollars as a result of our donated time, please contact me at jennifer.m.adams@intel.com or call me at 916.806.4336. Once I have a better idea of how many of you are planning to participate, I'll work with the school to identify a specific list of projects for us to tackle at the school. What a great way to improve our kid's school, raise dollars for Lakeview, help Intel meet our community service goal, and build camaraderie in the process! I hope to hear from you very soon.

Best regards,
Jennifer M. Adams

Reminders:

Community flyers are available online at: www.rescue.k12.ca.us. As part of our desire to conserve paper and stay “green” flyers are available online and in the school office.

Community List Serve. The Rescue Union School District is now hosting a Community List Serve to further improve communication. The List Serve is an email-based communication tool to keep parents and community members up-to-date on important district news. To subscribe, please go to <http://www.rescue.k12.ca.us>.

Family Life preview night for parents of 4th and 5th graders will be held Wednesday, January 7th at Green Valley School and on January 13th at Jackson School. The 4th grade video for girls will be shown at 7:00 p.m. and the 5th grade videos for girls and boys will be shown at 7:35 p.m. Parents are welcome to attend either evening to preview these materials.

Garden Committee: If you are interested in the “greening” of Lakeview, please email Mrs. Fechner at cfechner@rescue.k12.ca.us.

Still Collecting Box Tops: “Box Top for Education” collection was a huge success. Thank you to Kristy Galet for her dedication and organization of the drive. The collection brought in 7,075 box tops and 2,250 soup labels. The soup labels will give us about 12,000 points to spend and the labels will provide a check for \$707.50. On behalf of Mrs. Galet and the staff at Lakeview, we thank you for your participation.

Mrs. Hoffman’s and Mrs. Keever’s class won for the K-2nd grades and Mrs. Lindwall’s class won for 3rd-5th grades. Andrew W. from Mrs. Tweed’s class won the “Webkinz” drawing.

Even though the contest is over, we are still collecting the labels and the box tops. So please continue to send them to the classroom or drop them off in the school office.

Eagle Eye Winners from November:

Congratulations to the following students for their exemplary behavior!

Noah M. from Mrs. Ronzone's class
Alex Roberts from Mrs. Murphy's and Ms. Maloney's class
Stephen P. from Mrs. Arendt's class
Garrett M. from Mrs. Hoffman's and Mrs. Keever's class
Chloe P. from Mrs. Nelson's class
Domenico C. from Mrs. Berry's class
Jordan S. from Mrs. Stephen's class
Roslyn W. from Mrs. Stevenson's class
Jordyn A. from Mrs. Bazor's class
Mason G. from Mrs. Goodman's class
Kendall M. from Mr. Hohn's class
Tara G. and Sierra L. from Mrs. Ryan's class
Adrienne G. from Ms. Dermer's class
Ryan R. from Ms. Barry's class

Thank you Lakeview Eagles!

Character Counts

At Lakeview we want to reinforce the traits of good character. Each teacher nominates a student who is recognized for exhibiting this trait at school. November's trait was Responsibility. "Responsibility is doing what you are supposed to do, setting goals and following through." Students nominated this month for exhibiting Responsibility are:

Scott N. from Mr. Hohn's class
Benjamin P. from Ms. Barry's class
Aruj B. from Ms. Kang's class
Leyla S. from Mrs. Arendt's class
Emily W. in Mrs. Murphy's and Ms. Maloney's class
Graysen G. from Mrs. Berry's and Mr. Arendt's class
Sophia B. from Mrs. Armstrong's class
Isabella R. from Ms. Carpenter's class
Kelly K. from Ms. Dermer's class
Ethan G. from Mrs. Fechner's class
Kelly K. from Mrs. Hoffman's and Mrs. Keever's class
Omid J. from Mrs. Hoffman's class
Madison S. from Mrs. Nelson's class
Lucy S. from Mrs. Stephen's class
Jenna S. from Mrs. Stevenson's class
Carter P. from Ms. Phillips' class
Jacob G. from Mrs. Folsom's class
Nicholas S. from Mrs. Weiland's and Mrs. Ronzone's class
Emma N. from Mrs. Goodman's class
Nicole B. from Mrs. Lane's class
Savannah R. from Mrs. Tweed's class
Dominic K. from Ms. Danielson's class
Kourtnee K. from Mrs. Bazor's class
Aubrielle M. from Mrs. Lindwall's class
Nathan W. from Mrs. Friedrich's class