



# LAKEHURST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



## Upcoming Events

- March 4-7** - PTA Book Fair
- March 7** - PTA Night Book Fair
- March 19** - Board Meeting
- March 21-27** - PreK/K Registration
- March 28** - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Tea
- March 29** - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' Wings and Things

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Communication within the school community continues to be a vital component for student success. The Lakehurst School District is proud to welcome back our monthly newsletter, which will contain highlights within the district, student achievements, and important information for upcoming events or district requirements. The newsletter is only one way to gain further information about the district. To obtain the most current district news, please visit [www.lakehurstschool.org](http://www.lakehurstschool.org) or sign up for the Remind App for ongoing text messages about school happenings.

Thank you,

Mrs. Loren Fuhring, Superintendent

## Welcome Home

As the end of December was quickly approaching, it was all hands on deck for the Lakehurst Elementary School Maintenance and Administrative Teams. We continued to make progress on the school with painting, cleaning, and moving, all happening seven days a week. As of December 28, 2018, we were officially moved out of our temporary homes located at Saint John's in Lakehurst and several other schools throughout the Manchester School District.

All Lakehurst staff members were finally welcomed back into the building on Thursday, January 3, 2019. After an extensive meeting with ServPro, the environmental company that facilitated the mold remediation at Lakehurst, our entire staff still had a super busy journey ahead of them with lots to accomplish. They had just two days to transform their classrooms and other learning spaces into the incredible educational facility we had grown to love. To make this long story short, the building now looks amazing! I am sure many of you were fortunate to see for yourselves by attending our Open House that was held on January 14, 2019.

I would like to send an enormous thank you to the following for all their help and support during this time:

- The Lakehurst Elementary School Maintenance Team
- Business Administrator - Mr. B. Parlman
- Board President - Mr. J. Malden
- Board Vice-President - Mr. D. Burton
- Board of Education Members – Mrs. J. Septor – Mr. C. Hetzel – Mrs. D. Pease
- The Joint Base Chaplain
- The Manchester School District Administration and Employees
- My fellow Lakehurst Administrative Team Members
- The Lakehurst School District Employees
- Our Extensive LES Family and Friends

Thank you all for making this transformation possible!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Fuhring

## Bring on the Books

In an effort to help rebuild the Lakehurst Elementary School Media Center, and our library book collection, our friends at Manchester Middle School decided to create an outreach program to support our school. The Manchester Middle School English classes, with the support of their teachers Mrs. Chinery, Mrs. Raub and Mrs. Prusecki, organized a book drive to help collect new and lightly used books to fill our library bookshelves. As a result of their efforts in organizing and facilitating this book drive, they were able to collect almost five hundred (500) individual books that have been donated to our school. We would like to extend a special thank you to everyone involved in this event!



## More Important News

### Teacher of the Year

We would like to recognize and congratulate Ms. Amanda Barbieri (Longo) as the Lakehurst School District Teacher of the Year for the 2018-2019 school year! Ms. Barbieri has served the district as an elementary school teacher since September of 2012. Currently, Ms. Barbieri teaches one of the two first grade classes at Lakehurst Elementary School. Her patience, creativity, professionalism, and love of teaching is noted on a daily basis! Congratulations, Ms. Barbieri!



### “Operation Paperback”

In the beginning of January 2019, one of our newest Lakehurst Elementary School parents reached out to the local community in an effort to collect new and lightly used books to help rebuild our library book collection. She saw firsthand how desolate the Media Center shelves were as we had just made our way back into the Lakehurst Building. Following the discovery of a mold issue and then the process of mold remediation, we lost all of the books that had been housed in the Lakehurst Library for years. Being a part of the military community, she was aware of the military program titled “Operation Paperback.” This program began in 1999 by Chrissy Honeywell, as a means to collect donated books to send to military personnel stationed overseas. At the time, her husband CMS Rick Honeywell and his squadron were deployed in Kuwait. The location did not offer any type of recreation for the military personnel and Mrs. Honeywell saw this as an opportunity to step in. While today Operation Paperback focuses mostly on supplying books to soldiers stationed overseas, Mrs. Honeywell saw the need for books in the Lakehurst Elementary School Media Center as an opportunity to help the school and military students that attend here. In the matter of a month’s time, the request for books for the Lakehurst Media Center through Operation Paperback has reached locations all across the United States. There has been an overwhelming response to this initiative and we are so thankful to be in receipt of book donations from countless entities. We would like to thank our military families, coordinators of Operation Paperback, local schools, families and communities for their thoughtful donations to help rebuild our Media Center book collection!

### Student of the Month Recipients

The Student of the Month program is based on qualities such as the following: character, leadership and citizenship; not solely on academics. The student of the month demonstrates exemplary character through his/her compassion, honesty, trustworthiness, responsibility, optimism, and loyalty by helping to create a positive school environment. Congratulations to the following Student of the Month recipients for the month of January!

Maci Loving – 3<sup>rd</sup>, T. Marquez – 3<sup>rd</sup>, Jackson Dever – 4<sup>th</sup>, Cole Dever – 4<sup>th</sup>, Molly Pease – 5<sup>th</sup>, Russell Fisher – 5<sup>th</sup>, Matea Castoral – 6<sup>th</sup>, A. E. – 6<sup>th</sup>, Ayodeji Ajao – 7<sup>th</sup>, Isabella Munday – 7<sup>th</sup>, Jingyi Guo – 8<sup>th</sup>, Joseph Knaz – 8<sup>th</sup>

### Upcoming Preschool and Kindergarten Registrations

Preschool and Kindergarten Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is scheduled for Thursday, March 21 through Wednesday, March 27. Please call the Main Office to schedule your intake appointment today. The required registration packet is available for parents to download from our website.

### Basketball

The Lady Lions have wrapped up another winning basketball season. The team's hard work and dedication, both on and off the court, throughout this season has definitely paid off. Under the direction of Coach Fitzgerald, the girls' team was able to secure a win for the 2018-2019 championship game. This game was played on February 7, 2019, against Calvary Christian. The game was very close and both teams struggled to maintain the lead throughout all four quarters. Lakehurst ultimately came out on top with a final score of 45-42. The Lakehurst Lions were led by an awesome overall defensive effort, and were able to clench the win thanks to leading scorers Gabby Ross and Alex Spear. They ended the season undefeated, with a win-loss record of 9-0. We will truly miss the talent of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls, Gabby Ross and Audrey Tumilty. Best of luck in high school ladies! We are also looking forward to another great season for the Lakehurst Lions Girls' Basketball Team next year!

