

# THE EAGLE

## LMS Newsletter



### A Word From the Principal

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March signals the long anticipated end of winter and beginning of spring. Although the air is cold outside, we know it will be warmer soon. Keeping in mind the several instructional days missed due to the weather, and the days of two hour delays, parents and teachers need to remind kids to stay focused on school work. The Board of Education has made some calendar adjustments to recover as much instructional time as possible. Please note the following changes:

- Students will now come to school on June 3, 4, & 5.
- Progress reports for the fifth grading period will be sent home on March 30.
- Progress reports for the sixth grading period will be sent home on May 18.

There are other calendar changes included in another part of this newsletter.

Even though we missed several days of school due to the weather, LMS continues to be a very busy place. We had our school Science and Social Studies Fairs and the winners are announced in another part of this newsletter. Our students competed in the Math-Counts competition; eighth graders took the Golden Horseshoe test online this year in February and Krislin Nuzum competed in the County Spelling Bee. Four eighth graders will attend Youth in Government activities in Charleston this month. The Modern Woodsman Speech Contest was held in March at LMS. Twelve students competed to represent LMS. LMS is currently completing the WV Online Writing Assessment and every student will submit an essay online. All students will type their essay and submit it electronically from school. This is a real challenge for our students, but they are responding well and under the guidance of our English and technology teachers this will be accomplished. Please encourage your child to do his or her best on this assessment and be sure they get plenty of rest, and that they come to school on their test day. This year the writing score will be incorporated in the WESTEST 2 Reading/Language Arts score.



Ryan Holcomb and Bronwyn Clagett will represent LMS at the Elks' Club as candidates for Jr. Teenagers of the Year. We wish them the best of luck.

Basketball season is ended, and LMS won the Girls' championship. Congratulations to Coach Rose, Coach Logar and all the girls. The spring sports, track and softball are underway and the coaches and kids are working hard. Coaches Howell and Coulter are back with our track team. Our softball team welcomes a new head coach, Heather Stalnaker, a former outstanding LMS athlete, and coach Holcomb is back to help our girls this year.

Our teachers remain committed to improving student learning and are busy planning and teaching the W. Va. Content Standards and Objectives or CSO's. This is what drives our curriculum. You can find them on the WVDE website, <http://wvde.state.wv.us/>. We are busy preparing for our WESTEST and I encourage parents to be attentive to your child's attendance and study habits. If you have questions about school, please call and make an appointment to see any teacher. We are happy to discuss your child and we want to work together to assure student success.

Student learning is the most important component of our school day and for our teachers as they prepare for and deliver instruction. Students are expected to do their best every day, have regular attendance, and take advantage of every opportunity given to them. Parents, students and teachers working together is the best formula to achieve success and maximize learning.

Anthony Fratto, Principal

## 7th Grade News

Team 7 is proud to announce the following 7<sup>th</sup> grade winners in the school Civic Oration Contest: Andrea Duffy 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Emily Knight 3<sup>rd</sup> place. With spring right around the corner, please remind your child that school is in session until early June. From now until Westest II in May, teachers are working hard to help students learn the content standards for 7<sup>th</sup> grade success. Students need to take all instruction seriously and to attend school every day. A day missed is a day gone forever. Recently, Team 7 began sponsoring informal clubs every Thursday during AA. Clubs include Scrabble, Who Wants to be a Millionaire, art, Twilight Saga, silent reading, study hall, and health and fitness.

## Media Center News

We will be holding a Book Bingo for students and parents on Wednesday night, March 25<sup>th</sup> from 3:15 pm. - 4:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. The Book Fair will be open during this time for parents to also come and browse in the media center.

The Book Fair has been rescheduled for Mar. 23-27 in the library.





Ten LMS Art Students have their artwork displayed in a county wide Youth Art Month Exhibit at the Harrison County Library in Clarksburg. LMS students with art in the exhibit are Nick Stanley, Makayla McElwayne, Kesalin Harris, Launa Underwood, Emily McDougal, Lacey Shaver, Amanda Colaccia, Joseph Tucker, Kathryn McAtee and Jonathon Lowe. Each artist and his or her family were invited to attend a reception held at the library on March 11.

LMS students had the opportunity to participate in two poster contests. The Italian Heritage Festival and the West Fork Conservation District Poster Contests were announced and made available to all students. The contests will award the winner \$100 and \$135 respectively. Several students have requested information about the contests.

Previously about 40 pieces of art work from LMS students was on display in January at the Harrison County School Board Office in Clarksburg.

## Choir News

Congratulations to Hailey Bittinger, Savory Johnson, McKenna Price, and Abigail Roach for representing LMS at the West Virginia All State Children's Chorus at West Virginia University. We thank them for their hard work, dedication, and excellent performance.

## Science and Social Studies Fair Winners

**Congratulations to Bronwyn Clagett and Andrea Duffy for winning the Social Studies Fair**

**Congratulations to Bronwyn Clagett and Karlie Murray for winning the Science Fair.**

**GREAT JOB, GIRLS!**



*Information will be sent home this week explaining our next fundraiser. We will be selling flower bulbs to fund our End of the Year Bash.*