

# Lohr Elementary School Newsletter

## November

### Upcoming Important Dates



Tuesday, November 8	PTO Meeting at 5pm in the Lohr Library
Wednesday, November 16	Fall Picture Retake Day
Week of November 14-18	Kindness Week and Lohr Care Team Change Drive
November 23-28	Thanksgiving Break
Tuesday, November 29	School Resumes

#### Reporting an absence.



If your child is going to be absent from school, please call the school office at 330-484-3924 or email our school secretary Mrs. Essig at [Laurie.Essig@perrylocal.org](mailto:Laurie.Essig@perrylocal.org) to report them off from school for the day. Upon your child's return to school, please send a note or a doctor's excuse for their absence.



Elementary Breakfast and lunch prices for the 2022-2023 school year are as follows:

- Breakfast is \$1.75 and lunch is \$2.75.
- Reduced breakfast price is \$0.30 and reduced lunch is \$0.40.
- Milk only is \$0.50.

[Click here to see the menus!](#)



Dear Lohr Families,

It's hard to believe that we are already getting prepared for the holiday season. It has been an amazing start to the year and I am excited to continue to watch your children learn and grow. Between my two school buildings, I was able to facilitate 36 classroom lessons which have been extremely enjoyable for myself and the students. During the month of November, I will be teaching the following lessons to our students.

**Kindergarten** - We will be learning about basic feelings/emotions and creating "COPE CAKES" to introduce the concept of coping skills.

**First Grade** - "FALL FEELINGS" We will be talking about feelings/emotions and creating a tree with coping skills on the leaves.

**Second Grade** - "WHAT TADOO" The children will learn about strangers and good touches vs bad touches.

**Third Grade** - "ZONES OF REGULATION" We will be learning about more complex feelings/emotions and connecting them to 4 different color zones. Within these zones, they will learn various strategies to help them cope with strong feelings/emotions.

**Fourth Grade** - "SECOND LOOK LESSONS" - During library time, the children will learn to understand different perspectives and how to give and receive compliments.

Thank you for allowing me to continue to teach and support your kids. Working with them makes every day a GREAT day.

Happy Thanksgiving!  
Melissa Watkins



## Contact Information

Do you have a phone number or address change? If your contact information changes at any point during the school year, please make this change in Final Forms as soon as possible so that our records are up to date. The information that you complete in Final Forms is what we use in order to contact you if needed during the school day. Our all-call and mailing systems also pull your information from the Final Forms information that you have completed and is on file with the school when we send out letters and automated phone messages. Need help with this? Please let us know!



## Fall-Winter Weather

Fall weather is on its way and with it brings many cold, windy days. Please make sure that your child is dressed for the weather. It won't be long before we will need to start wearing coats, hats, gloves, etc.

Just a reminder that as the weather gets colder, we do go outside every day as long as the temperature is 20 degrees or higher. Also, please be sure to label each item with your child's name. We have many coats, sweatshirts, hats, gloves, etc. that are lost each year because they do not have names inside.

# PAX Corner



According to the PAX Institute and the research that has been done, "The PAX Good Behavior Game is an evidence-based practice that your child's teacher will use during regular instruction time to encourage engagement, reduce disruptions, and help children focus on the task at hand. Classrooms that use PAX typically show a 70% reduction in disruptions while also increasing time for meaningful instruction and learning." Here is some additional brief information about some of the components of PAX that your child has been working on the past couple of weeks.

**PAX Vision** - This strategy is used to set clear expectations of everything we want more or less of in a given activity. This will help them cooperate more consistently, have less conflict with others, and help them learn to take responsibility for making positive choices.

**PAX Leader** - This strategy is used to guide children in making positive choices and avoid problematic behaviors. It promotes teamwork as well as setting and achieving high expectations. The students take an active role in bettering themselves and the world around them.

**PAX Quiet** - This strategy is used to get everyone's attention safely and calmly. It helps students to listen and follow directions more closely in school. It also helps them develop better self-control.

**Granny's Wacky Prizes** - These are fun quick games/movements that are used to help reinforce our PAX behaviors that we have set in our school and class visions. They help us practice cooperation and self-regulation skills

**Beat the Timer** - This strategy is used to help students set limits on the amount of time that it should take to complete a task, especially during transitions. It is a way to challenge students to be more efficient. This can be reinforced with earning a Granny's Wacky Prize when the challenge is met. This helps us become more efficient at our transitions and increase our engagement in the learning.

**PAX Stix** - This is a way for the teacher to work at calling on all students in the classroom. When a teacher pulls a name from the jar, they put that name back in after they have answered. At any time, any student in the classroom could be called on. Another way to help keep students engaged in the learning process.

**Tootles** - These are positive messages that can be written from the teacher to a student, from a student to another student, and even from one adult to another. Tootles can also be given verbally as well. Just another way to recognize and reinforce the PAX behaviors.



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## ***Come Join Us!!***

Please be sure to come to our meetings, we value everyone's input. Our next meeting is Tuesday, November 8th in the Library at 5pm.

Hello Lohr Parents & Guardians!!!!



## *Santa Shop is Coming!!!*

Santa Shop will be December 12th-16th during students' class time. More information will be sent home soon!



### **Upcoming**

- \* Nov 4th—Spirit Table
- \* Nov 8th—PTO meeting
- \* Nov 15th—Gametime Dine to Donate
- \* Nov 18th—Popcorn Friday
- \* Nov 22nd 6pm—Family Night at Massillon YMCA
- \* Nov. 23rd-Nov 28th —No school, Thanksgiving break
- \* Dec. 12th-16th—Santa Shop

### *Our Board members:*

President: Melissa Trompower

Co-Vice Presidents: Jen Cunningham  
and Gail Whipkey

Treasurer: Still needed

Secretary: Linda Remark

  
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### Spirit Table

Friday, November 4th @ Recess

Watch book bags the day before for a reminder and price list.

**Please use this to make it easier for the parents to help your child shop by selecting some items you would like them to have.** Some items do sell out quickly or are not always able to be stocked, so we may need to substitute an item or just ask them to wait until the next one, which is December 2nd



Our Annual Family Night is back! Mark your calendars to join us on Tuesday November 22nd at the Massillon YMCA at 6pm. There will be games, food, and time spent with family and friends! Be on the lookout for the RSVP form and more details coming home!



Popcorn Friday,  
November 18th  
\$.50 at recess

Thank you to all the parents who sent in donations and/or gave their time for the Fall parties and Trunk or Treat event. The kids and families had a wonderful time!

