



Lakeside Middle School Newsletter

Dear Lakeside Parents,

March 2024

I hope that you had a great month of February. I would like to highlight some student accomplishments that occurred during the month:

- The 2nd annual Lakeside Musical was a huge success! Leads for Peter Pan Jr. included: Peter Pan – Aidan McGrath (7), Wendy – Taylor Johnson (8), Captain Hook – Melanee Bowens (8), Tiger Lily – Sophia Schloerb (7), Smee – Gavin Thrower (8), John – Scarlet Cracco (8), Michael- Abigail Paulraj (7). Thank you to all of our students who were involved in the production and a big thank you to Mrs. Brantner, Mrs. Veltre, and Mr. Batsch.
- Lakeside hosted its 34th Annual Spotlight on Seventh (SOS) Night. This continues to be an awesome Lakeside tradition where community involvement is outstanding. The students, parents and other family members had a great time.
- Lakeside School participated in the New Jersey Gifted and Talented Consortium Spelling Bee. Gavin Thrower (8) came in 1st place and is the first Lakeside student to win the competition. Congratulations!!

Please check our website to read the first edition of the Lakeside Newsletter Ripples.

Below are some important dates and information that will be useful for the month of March:

Important Dates:

March 11th – 12:55 Dismissal for Students

March 18th, 19th, 20th – High School Scheduling in the media center for 8th grade students

March 20th – PTA Meeting - 7 PM

March 21st – Principal for the Day

March 22nd – PTA Dance – 6:30 PM

March 26th – Practical Arts Night Open House – 6:30 PM

March 29th – School Closed

PTA News

Hello Lakeside Families! Happy March! Sunday was a beautiful sunny day, we hope you enjoyed the weather.

We are looking for nominees for the 2024-2025 PTA Board positions. If you are interested in a position on the board, please send an email to ptalakeside@gmail.com. See the nomination form on our website.

Check out our exciting upcoming events. Flyers are posted on our website.

- **March 1-15:** Pampered Chef fundraiser. Items are delivered directly to your home.
- **March 6, 7, 8 & 9:** Dine to Donate @ 506 Cafe Diner ****Must show printed flyer or on your phone.***
- **March 8:** Family Ice Skating @ Montclair University Ice Arena.
 - Private Event for Lakeside PTA & Riverdale PTA
 - **FORMS DUE BY MARCH 4th**
 - *Older & younger siblings invited*
- **March 15:** Scribble Garden (Adult Night Out) - Come Celebrate St. Patty's Day and paint 2 glass mugs, bake pretzels, tastings & more.
- **March 20:** PTA Meeting @ 7pm in the media center at Lakeside School
- **March 22:** PTA Dance - We are looking for volunteers, if you are available please contact the PTA.

February recap:

- Smoke Shack was our Dine To Donate for February.
- Lakeside Musical, Peter Pan Jr: The PTA sold snacks on Thursday & Friday. We had a 50/50 raffle, the winner was selected on Friday night and took home \$240.
- Valentine's Day, Chocolate Smiles created some delicious chocolate treats that were delivered to all who purchased on Feb 14th.

Thank you to all who supported Lakeside PTA whether it was at our dine to donate, buying snacks at the musical, a 50/50 raffle ticket, or purchasing some sweet treats for Valentine's Day, we really appreciate all your participation.

Leap Day we had a Frog Frenzy Hunt! The kids searched the school for little frogs which were hidden throughout the building. We had a 6th grade winner and one teacher, both received a \$20 Visa gift card!

Any questions, please feel free to contact Lakeside PTA at ptalakeside@gmail.com

We hope to see you at our next PTA meeting on March 20th!

Please reach out to the office if you have any questions or need any assistance!

Sincerely,

Dr. J. Jacob Herninko

Principal