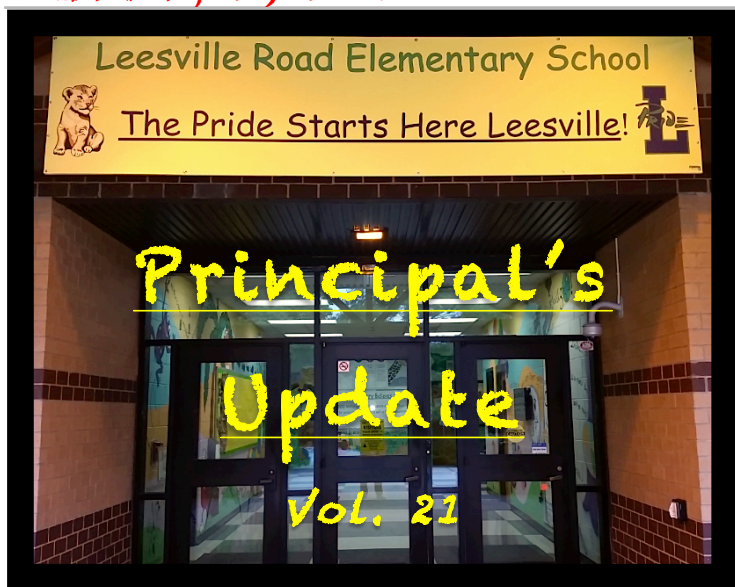


February 21, 2016



Dates to Remember... at a glance

Monday, 2/22

WCPSS Transfer Application window for 2016-17 school year.

Wednesday, 3/9

Pieces of Gold - Memorial Auditorium @ 7 pm

March 14 to March 18

Leesville Elementary School Spirit Week

Thursday, 3/24

Snow Make-Up Day

March 25 to April 1

Spring Break!!!!

An Important Lesson for a Group of Our Leesville 3rd Grade Cubs

The students in Ms. Oberdorf's 3rd Grade class recently read a book about Malala Yousafzai. Malala is the young lady from Pakistan, who defied the pressures of the Taliban by actively pursuing her own education and advocating for education for girls all over the world. She also became the youngest recipient ever of the Nobel Peace Prize.

Ms. Oberdorf then had her students listen to the speech she gave when she won the Nobel Peace Prize, giving them an opportunity to write a response to her speech, articulating how it inspired them.

What a wonderful opportunity for the students to develop their reading and writing skills while also developing their social consciousness and awareness of world issues.



TIME IS ALMOST UP!

Transfer Application Deadline, Monday, February 22, 2016

1. If you are applying for your 2016-17 calendar option (for example, to apply from a traditional calendar to a year-round calendar or vice versa), you will need to apply by the end of day on Monday, February 22, 2016.

2. The same deadline applies for those students seeking an early transfer for the 2016-17 school year. The district will only consider an early transfer for the following reasons:

- a. Request for an entering grade student to be assigned to a school where a sibling attends and will continue to attend the school for the 2016-17 school year.
- b. Request to be assigned to your base school for the 2016-17 school year.
- c. Request to remain at your current school after a Board of Education approved change in assignment, or "grandfather."
- d. Request for a sibling to be assigned to a school where an older sibling is grandfathered as a result of a Board of Education approved assignment change.
- e. Request from full time employees for their students to attend the same school/campus where the parent is employed.

The Transfer application maybe found through the WCPSS Website...

<http://www.wcpss.net/Page/276>

A Wake-Up Call from Mother Nature

On a weekend like the one we have just experienced, it is hard to believe that the picture below was just this past Monday. I suppose that every now and then, Mother Nature chooses to keep us all on our toes and throw a little curve at us when we least expect it. What will be next?!



A Night to Remember...

The Leesville Elementary Winter Carnival and Silent Auction



The Leesville PTA has once again demonstrated that they are an absolutely amazing group of supportive and organized volunteers. They have also once again proven that they truly know how to throw a party 😊.



The Winter Carnival and Silent Auction event was awesome! The event was packed from the opening at 5:00 all the way to the end at 8 pm. People just did not want to leave. The best part of this event was not meeting the fundraising goal set for the event... not even close. The best part of the event is that there was really something for everyone. In fact, the overwhelming feedback was that the addition of the Winter Carnival to the Silent Auction made this year's event the official favorite one yet. Thank you to the faculty and staff that worked the event, and especially to the PTA families who so generously donated their time, energy, and personal resources to make the night such a wonderful success.



Big Nate's Visit to Leesville Elementary School



This past Friday, Leesville Elementary School was the proud and star-struck host to Nationally Renowned children's comic and author of the HUGELY popular Big Nate series Lincoln Peirce.

The 4th and 5th Grade students had the amazing opportunity to listen to Lincoln speak about how he became an author and about his inspiration for the Big Nate series. He even

demonstrated the artistic process for some of his drawings... what a unique treat!

At the end of it all, I am not sure who were most in awe of this delightful, generous, and kind guest, the children, Ms. Reed, or maybe me, Mr. Cohen 😊.



Coming Soon... Leesville Elementary School Spirit Week

It has been a while since we have had one of our Leesville Spirit Weeks... too long on fact. This is why we are excited to announce the following dress-up opportunities for the LES students and staff...

<p>March 14 <u>Pajama Day...</u> <i>Nothing like rolling right out of bed and into school.</i></p>	<p>March 15 <u>Dr. Seuss Character Day</u> <i>Dress like your favorite Dr. Seuss Character.</i></p>	<p>March 16 <u>Pirate Day</u> <i>Arrg! Dress like a Pirate... Arrg!</i></p>	<p>March 17 <u>LES GREEN-OUT</u> <i>Show your Pride w/ Leesville Green!</i></p>	<p>March 18 <u>Superhero Day</u> <i>Dress like your favorite Superhero</i></p>
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