PTA News – FEBRUARY 2021

A Message from the P.T.A.

Greetings Lyons Mill Families!

We are proud to announce that our spirit wear store is now open! Choose from a selection of items that come in a variety of styles and colors. The store will be open from February 1-15.

Do you know anyone who enjoys making a difference in the lives of others, networking, having fun and advocating for students? If so, encourage them to join the PTA. Remember, anyone can join.

We look forward to seeing you at our next PTA meeting on February 17th and our exercise event with Coach K on the 19th.

Events

Membership Drive Class Contest

Our membership drive contest ends on February 12th. The teacher of the class with the most memberships will receive a free t-shirt from the spirit wear store.

To purchase your membership, visit: https://lymielsc.memberhub.com.

"Let's Get Physical"

Join the LMES PTA family at 6pm on February 19th for an evening of physical activities and exercises with our very own Coach K. Email the PTA to sign up for this free event.



This is a text box

Lyons Mill Elementary PTA

Contact us: lyonsmillpta@gmail.com

Membership: https://lymielsc.new.memberhub.store/store

Facebook: Lyons Mill PTA

Amazon Smiles: Please list Lyons Mills (add the S) Elementary School as your charity through Amazon and we will receive a portion of the proceeds from items

purchased.

Save the Pate



Our next PTA meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 6pm.

Join us on Zoom! https://us02web.zoom.us/j/.5499907598 Meeting ID: 549 990 7598

Now open!! PTA SPIRIT STORE



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PTA Literacy Corner - FEBRUARY 2021

A Look at Writing

"Writing is a complex process that requires a wide range of skills a strong vocabulary; an understanding of genre, text structure, and voice; basic mechanical skills (grammar and punctuation); organizational skills; and higher order thinking." –Reading Rockets

The way that children develop as writters is very similar to how they develop as readers. From a young age children begin to mimic what they see from older children and adults. They begin scribbling using available writing utensils. This is the beginning of young children learning to understand that print has meaning.

Throughout their time in elementary school students develop the ability to strenghten their writing by planning, revising and editing their own work. Additionally, they learn how to add relevant details and leave all others out. Finally, students learn about various Fun Fact genres of writing. In all grade levels, students are expected to produce opinion, narrative and

informational writing.

To support writing at home, engage your child in fun writing activities like writing a story about a picture in a book or online. You could also share in the writing experience by taking turns writi<mark>n</mark>g parts of the story.

Source: Reading Rockets

Questions for Reading Comprehension

Kindergarten-2nd Grade

*Who are the characters in this book? What do we know about them? *How is (character/book 1) like (character/book 2)? How are they different?

3rd-5th Grade

 * Was the author trying to persuade, inform or entertain the reader? How do you know?

> *What other story does this remind you of? How does that connection help you better understand the story?

> > Source: Scholastic

Children who choose what they read and have an informal environment in which to read tend to be more motivated, read more and show greater language and literacy development.

-The Literacy Project Foundation

Grades K-1

The Pigeon Needs a Bath by Mo Willems Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes by Eric Litwin

Grades 2-3

Miss Nelson is Missing by Harry Allard How to be Cool in Third Grade by Betsy Duffey

Grades 4-5

The Parker Inheritance by Varian Johnson A Night Divided by Jennifer A. Nielson

Staff Spotlight

Ilene Chupnick

Profesora de Espanol (Spanish Teacher)

Interesting Fact

I am the 4th generation in my family to be born in Baltimore.

Favorite Book

My favorite chilren's book is "Miss Nelson is Missing". It brings a lot of nostalgia to me, and it sends a positive lesson about respect and appreciation for the things and people we have in our lives and not to every take things for granted.

One thing I want families to know

When learning Spanish in class, the most important thing is to watch the pictures and words on the board. Students will not know every word being said, but they can still learn the concepts and skills by repeating and actively participating while staying focused.

