Lynch Elementary Newsletter



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Mission: Elva Lynch will secure a dynamic environment for higher level learning. Together we will provide students with a quality education that will create independent, confident, and critical thinkers.

Vision: Elva Lynch inspires, supports and cultivates leading learners.



Calendar Highlights

March 1-31

- Penny Wars
- March is Reading Month, Mad Scientist – Mad about Reading!

March 1

Box Tops/Campbells Soup Labels collection ends

March 2

Hearing Screening re-checks

March 8

■ Family Fun Reading Night, 5-7pm

March 9

 5th grade parent Middle School, question and answer meeting, 3:30-4:30pm

March 11

 No School for Students, 2nd Trimester ends

March 14

■ PTC Meeting, 3:30pm

March 15

 5th grade Middle School Placement test, 3:30-5pm

March 16

 Kindergarten Round-Up at Admin Building, 1-7pm

March 17

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- Talent Show Rehearsal, 3:30pm

March 18

 Popcorn Day/Spirit Wear Day /School Store

March 21

 PTC – LJ Flowers Fundraiser Begins

March 25-28

No School

March 31

Talent Show Rehearsal, 3:30pm



Elva Lynch Elementary is partnering with the Lapeer Conservation District to raise funds for our STEM program. White Pine and Blue Spruce trees purchased through this fundraiser will be delivered for planting just in time for optimum spring planting. Depending on the size of orders, trees will be carried home by students or picked up after school during the last week of April. Sales will begin by March 7th and run through March 24th. Thank you for your support!

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The next best time is now. ~Chinese Proverb

K-8 Art 2016

Ms. Burgess and Mr. Dentryter are excited to share that 16 of our very own students now have artwork on display in the K-8 Art Show at Gallery 194 in downtown Lapeer.

The show runs from February 23 to March 19 and is entirely FREE! There will be a Meet the Artist Reception on Saturday, February 27th at the gallery from 2pm- 4pm. All are welcomed!

The amazing artists featured in the show this year include:

Molly Swift	Riley Lareau	Cloie Jost	Ryanna Wilson
Kalaya Bentz	Hannah Boots	Jenna Hill	Evelyn Mausolf
Colton Rappuhn	Max Villarreal	Laci Phillips	Allie Buys
Levi Fessler	Alexis Norman	Michael Hartley	Joseph Adams

The show highlights artwork from K-8 students all over Lapeer County. Please celebrate those students on their great accomplishment!! We are extremely proud of the artists that will be representing Lynch at the show. We sure do have many talented students at our school.

MARCH is Reading Month!

2016: Mad Scientist – Mad about Reading!

This month promises to be electrifying! To inspire our readers, we are decorating doors and hallways. We have many fun activities planned!

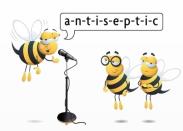
Family Reading Night — Tuesday, March 8, 2016, 5-7pm

Scientific reading fun for the whole family! Experiment with the wonders of reading with your children and enjoy an exciting evening of hands-on learning activities and games!



Looking ahead...

■ April 2-10, Spring Break



Spelling Bee News

The 2016 Elva Lynch Spelling Bee was a great success. Twenty-One students competed for the top position. After forty-five minutes, Carson Enright was named "school champion" after correctly spelling the word beverage. Ethan Watson, our runner-up, battled until the end of round ten.

Carson will represent Elva Lynch in the next round of competition, The Lapeer County Spelling Bee, which will be held on March 22nd at the Lapeer County Education and Technology Center.

Good luck, Carson!

Box Tops for Education

The Lower El (E5-2nd grade) Box Tops contest has come to an end. A total of 15,764 Box Tops were collected.

1st place - pizza party Mr. Aquilina - 3438

2nd place - ice cream party Miss Woodley - 2639

3rd place - Popsicle party Mrs. Siivola - 1957

Mrs. Lomerson - 1721 Mrs. Leonard - 1545 Mrs. Fantin - 1371 Mrs. Brown - 1143 Mrs. Jezdimir - 1041

Mrs. Curry - 909

Reading Comprehension

Questions to Ask

When a student reads a book, it is a just right fit if he or she can decode the words AND understand the text. However, what kinds of questions should we be asking at the end of each chapter/book to help our students think deeply about what they just read? The following examples, <u>ranging from basic to more complex</u>, can help guide you to ask the kinds of questions your child needs in order to grow as a reader.

Literal Questions (basic)

How many...? Who was...? What is...? Why did happen...? Can you list three...? Which one...?

Retelling Questions

Tell me what happened...? Tell me what it was about...? How would you summarize...?

Merging Thinking with Content

What do you think? What makes you think that? What do you infer? What do you visualize?

Penny Wars ... This Month!

When: March 1, 2016- March 31, 2016

Where: Lynch Elementary Classrooms and Lunch

Why: To raise funds for field day activities (equipment, inflatables, and other supplies)

How: Each grade level will get a jar for their collections.

• Put pennies in the jar for your classroom: Pennies = Positive Points for your class

Put everything else in other jars:

Nickels, Dimes, Quarters and paper money = Negative Points for them.

**At the end of the war the classroom with the most points will receive a special treat.

So, dig into the couch cushions, check your car, and get your pennies ready!

Lynch Lightning Leaders of the Month

The following students were selected by their classroom teacher as the Lynch Lightning Leader for the month of February. These students go above and beyond every day to follow the Lynch Elementary B.O.L.T. student expectations of organization, leadership and trustworthiness. Keep up the good work!



Mr. Aquilina Nicholas Arthur Mrs. Rondy Talen Sumner Mrs. Schons Levi Fessler Ms. Lawrence Tristan Gizinski Mrs. Hayden Logan LaCroix Audin Broecker Mrs. Berry Mrs. Nichols Abbie Mercer Mrs. Callans Alida Wing