



# Lakes Magnet Middle School

**Science Health and Art**

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It looks like winter is finally upon us here at Lakes Middle School. The forecast is calling for significant snowfall in town over the next few days. I am a big fan of snow, but limited quantities in town would sure make getting to school every day a little easier. Be sure your students are dressed appropriately for the cold days ahead of us.

What a great 1<sup>st</sup> semester we have experienced so far in the 2016-2017 school year. Progress reports and report cards indicate that our students are doing well and are placed in the proper classes. Student participation in various clubs and activities is at an all-time high. Homework House, before, at lunch, and after school, is busier than ever. Many of our students are taking advantage of the great opportunities provided by the Boys and Girls club located adjacent to Lakes on our campus. Our students, parents, and staff, along with Real Life Ministries, Christ the King Church, and numerous community volunteers and organizations donated an abundance of food and time during our "Lakesgiving" dinner celebration held at Lakes on November 21<sup>st</sup>. This was an awesome event and we were able to serve over 800 meals.

December is certainly a busy time with band and choir concerts throughout the month along with wrestling matches and 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls' basketball games. We are continuing to promote anti-bullying this month as we train close to 70 of our students in ways to promote a positive school climate. We finish the month with our Lakes card assembly followed by our Christmas social all on December 16<sup>th</sup>. A big thanks to our PTSA and students who helped support our Lakes card sale. Our students, parents, and PTSA were able to raise over \$14,000 to help out our school.

We are putting the finishing touches on our "Building Character through Creating a Culture of Kindness Day" to be held at Lakes on January 9<sup>th</sup>. We have an exciting morning planned for our students filled with guest speakers, films, and testimonials to help focus on a positive climate at Lakes.

Be sure to mark your calendars for December 14<sup>th</sup> as we will be hosting a fun-filled evening at Lakes. Please join us for Crafts, Cookies, Cocoa, and Concerts starting at 5:00

p.m., with the concert beginning at 6:30. This will be an exciting time with your family to complete a couple of Christmas Crafts and also hear our wonderful band perform.

Enjoy the coming snow and have a great holiday season.

*Jeff Bengtson*

Lakes Magnet School Principal

## LAKES STAR STUDENTS Thank you Pita Pit!

Students who represent our High Fives (Safe Respectful, Responsible, Kind, and Prepared) are nominated each month by a Teacher (see next page). A random drawing of those nominated students results in the following students receiving our Star Student Award. Their reward is to have lunch with Principal Bengtson, **sponsored and provided by Pita Pit!** Congratulations to our monthly winners!

### SEPTEMBER

Kaya Hernandez  
Zoe Gephart  
Porter Howard

Nathan Kimball  
Bridger Stephens  
Kennedy Krajack

### OCTOBER

Joshua Kerns  
Hunter Bentley  
Jaden Culbertson

Emma Marks  
Kaylee Northrop  
Kathryn Daly

### NOVEMBER

Nicole Liston  
Christian Bilbrey  
Riley Buell

Dexter Tondu  
Lucy Evans  
Kailee Maloney

# LAKES HIGH FIVE AWARD NOMINATIONS

For the months of September, October and November, the following students were all nominated for the

## LAKES HIGH FIVE AWARD

These students are recognized to be:

SAFE  
RESPECTFUL  
RESPONSIBLE  
KIND  
PREPARED

NATASHA ADAMS  
KYLE ALLISON-LEONARD  
LINDSEY ANGELO  
SAMUEL BARNETT  
VADIN BARTLETT  
HUNTER BENTLEY  
EMMA BIAS  
JAVIN BIBBY  
KATELYN BORLEY  
SKYE BOYD  
LILLIAN BROWN  
EVAN BROWN  
RYLEIGH BROXSON  
RILEY BUELL  
HOLLY BURT  
CASH BUSO  
AIDAN CARDWELL  
TREVOR CARPENTER  
HAYDEN CASTO  
ALAINA COLE-ACEVEDO  
KYLE CONRAD  
ASHTON CREECH  
JADEN CULBERTSON  
KATHRYN DALY  
ELIZABETH DALY  
MADDISON DAVENPORT  
ZOEY DICKINSON  
TYLER DOLGOSH  
JOE DUCOEUR  
CASEY ELLIOTT-INGRAHAM  
POLINA EPSHTEIN  
JESSICA ESPINOZA  
ELI ETCHECHOURY  
LUCY EVANS  
ALYSSA FENTON  
ADAM FORTIN  
MORAYA FOTI  
PAISLEY GANSKE  
ZOE GEPHART  
CHIARA GLAUNER  
LEILA GUST  
WINTER HALER  
ALISON HANSON  
DAYTON HEGGE  
KAYA HERNANDEZ  
ASIA HESTON  
ALYSSA HILL

KAMERON HOLZER  
PORTER HOWARD  
ROBBIE JENSEN  
JULIAN JOHNSON  
DOROTHY JOHNSON  
RACHEL KARVONEN  
STEPHANIE KASCHMITTER  
HAWKIN KAURIN  
JOSHUA KERNS  
NATHAN KIMBALL  
MAIA KOERNER  
KENNEDY KRAJACK  
MICHAEL LAMANA  
BLAINE LEONARD  
NICOLE LISTON  
TIM MACDONALD  
CODY MAGUIRE  
AALIYAH MALAY  
KAILEE MALONEY  
EMMA MARKS  
ALEXANDER MCGLOTHEN  
EMILY MCGREGOR  
AIDEN MEYERS  
DAKOTA NEAL  
KAYLEE NORTHROP  
ALISE PARMER  
ISABELLA PIEDMONT  
ANDREW PRICE  
LILLI REDFEARN  
CHASE RICHARDSON  
SOPHIA RICHEY  
KATELYN RODE  
PHEBE RUNNELS  
KALIS SANDLIN  
DANYA SAWYER  
CHLOE SCHNORE  
JULIAN SHEAMAN  
ZOEY STAM  
BRIDGER STEPHENS  
CLARA STEPHENS  
DEXTER TONDU  
FAITH TURLEY  
KACI UECKER  
ANYSSA VALERO  
LANEIGHA WORLINE

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>DECEMBER</u>		
7	Winter Choir Concert	6:30 pm
7	Progress Reports Emailed Home	
14	Crafts, Cookies & Cocoa	5:00 pm
14	Winter Band Concert	6:30 pm
15	Winter Orchestra Concert	6:30 pm
DEC 19 to JAN 2—NO SCHOOL (Winter Break)		
<u>JANUARY</u>		
3	Students return to school	
9	Kindness and Character Campaign Day	
11	Lakes Spelling Bee, Room 402	6:30 pm
16	No School—Martin Luther King Jr. Day	
18	Progress Reports emailed home	
26	END OF 1st SEMESTER	
27	No School	

## BOX TOPS

We are collecting BOX TOPS in the office!

If you purchase items that come with box tops, please clip and send to Lakes to help us earn funds to help our students! Also, thank you shout out to Kellie Bergendahl and family for helping organize and submit our box tops!!!

## YEARBOOK GIFT IDEA



**Need a Stocking Stuffer for Christmas?**

Pre order a Lakes Yearbook in the office and receive a gift certificate to put in your student's stocking.

**The cost is \$25.00 (before Winter Break).** You may also purchase yearbooks online through Skyward.

## Mark Your Calendars

**FOR...LAKES ANNUAL COMMUNITY FAIRE**

***Saturday, April 8***

***10:00-2:00***

If you would like to share your heritage/culture through music, performance or an informational booth, please contact Kristin Odenthal at [kodenthal@cdaschools.org](mailto:kodenthal@cdaschools.org) or 667-4544.

## NUTRITION SERVICES

"Nutrition Tips for the Holiday Season"

Everyone starts to get anxious as the holiday approaches with its delicious splendor. Will our healthy diets be blown out of the water? How can we avoid it? Alas, partaking in the delicious once-a-year treats can be balanced into our diet. The key word here is balance. Continue to make nutritious choices the base to meals and snacks. Allow your children to eat sweet holiday treats but help them to pick them in appropriate portion sizes. If there are lots of treats to choose from, try taking smaller amounts of each and focus on enjoying each bite. Holidays are great times to teach your children healthy eating for every season of the year by focusing on what to eat instead of what not to eat. Partner holiday indulgences with exercise in disguise. Find some fun activity to do with your children like sledding, skating, taking walks or making a snowman. Find more great tips thru the nutrition links on the Nutrition Services department page at [www.cdaschools.org](http://www.cdaschools.org).

## HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU HERE FOR OUR UPCOMING HOLIDAY PERFORMANCES!**

December 7th—6:30 pm

**WINTER CHOIR CONCERT**

December 14th—6:30 pm

(Crafts, Cookies & Cocoa 5:00)

**WINTER BAND CONCERT**

December 15th—6:30 pm

**WINTER ORCHESTRA CONCERT**

## SPELLING BEE

**COMING UP!**

**Lakes Spelling Bee**

**Jan 11th, 6:30 PM, Room 402**

## SNOW DAYS

The school closure HOT-LINE is 667-0784.

You may also tune into the local radio station (KVNI 1080) and local TV channels. They will announce school closures.

**IMPORTANT:** We are CdA School District 271  
NOT Kootenai School District

## HOMEWORK HOUSE

Dear Lakes Families,

# HOMEWORK HOUSE IS NOW PARTNERED WITH the BOYS & GIRLS CLUB!!

### WHAT'S NEW THIS YEAR?

We are excited to announce our new partnership with the Boys & Girls Club! The Boys & Girls Club have built a brand new Coeur d'Alene campus right next door to Lakes. This means we are moving our programs (homework house, robotics, etc.) over to the club. **There will still be a free bus available at 4:30 as well as a snack.**

### WHAT IS HOMEWORK HOUSE?

Homework house is a free program offered to Lakes students where they can get help with homework, study prep, and projects. The program is offered Mondays through Thursdays after-school from 3:00-4:30 pm. Transportation is provided.

### WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO DO?

- Fill out the CLUB245 application (in the office)
- Fill out the Boys and Girls Club application.

There is a once a year \$20 fee for the Boys and Girls club. (*Scholarships are available, please contact the B&G Club for more information*).

## CRAFTS, COOKIE, COCOA NIGHT!

Crafts, Cookie, Cocoa Night!!!!

Come and join in the fun before the band concert.

Lots of holiday crafts to be made!

Mr. Booth is calling the bingo numbers!!

Mr. Higbie will be handing out Cookies to eat and  
cocoa to drink!

**December 14, 2016, from 5:00 to 6:00**

## TO CONTACT STAFF

If you would like to keep in touch with your student's teacher, counselor or other school district employee, the most efficient way is to e-mail them.

All school district employee e-mail addresses consists of the first initial of the employee's first name and their last name.

Then add [@cdaschools.org](mailto:cdaschools.org).

(For example: Annette Brennan would be [abrennan@cdaschools.org](mailto:abrennan@cdaschools.org))

## HOMEWORK REQUEST POLICY

If your student is absent 3 or more days, we are more than happy to do a homework request.

Requests submitted will be available in the office after 24 hours from the time of request.

## Board Game Donations

Mr. Miller will be starting a new magnet next quarter called "SHUFFLE IT"! This magnet will use games to promote working memory, bolster social skills and reinforce math fact fluency.

ANY DONATIONS OF CRIBBAGE, CHESS, DECKS OF CARDS OR CHECKERS ARE APPRECIATED!

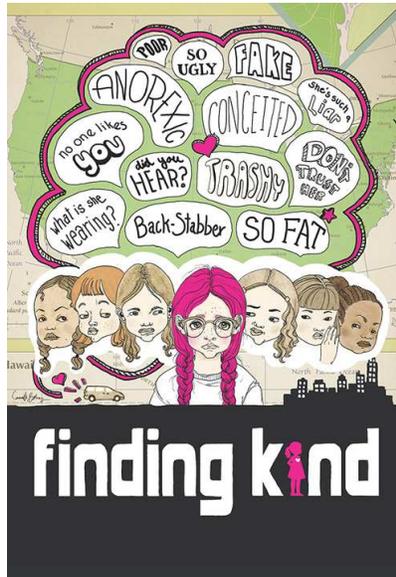
Thank you!

## WINTER HAS ARRIVED!

With the arrival of winter comes activities, vacations and the end of the semester. This is an important term for students academically.

There can be many distractions. It is an important time of year to sit down with your student, take a deep breath, and refocus on the value of maintaining a solid work ethic. Join us in reinforcing to your student that "hard work, done well, feels good!"

## KINDNESS CULTURE



### Building Character by Creating a Culture of Kindness

Kind Campaign and Character Building Day  
January 9, 2017

We are excited to announce we will be hosting a culture building day focusing on kindness and character. When we return from Winter Break, we look forward to starting the new year strong, putting our best selves forward.

On Monday, January 9th, the young women of our school will be involved in a Kind Campaign. Female students and staff will view a documentary film called "Finding Kind" that explores female relationships and girl-on-girl "crime." Why are girls so mean to each other? And what can we do about it? The filmmakers go on a cross country tour of America looking to answer these very questions. By the end of the film, it really comes down to the idea that we can all choose to Be Kind.

The young men of our school will learn more about what it means to be a Man of Character. Noah Couser, a former Lakes student, will be the guest speaker of the day. Through small group discussions, team building activities, and our staff and Noah's example, the young men will learn what it means to have and grow character. We ask our young men to think about what it means to be Character Strong.

By the end of the day students will be invited to sign a Kind Pledge or a Character Pledge as a reminder and a promise to come to school each day with character and kindness.

Curious about the film? View the trailer here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=woZTiMgWYDo>

A FREE community screening of "Finding Kind" will be held the evening of January 9th at the Kroc Center at 6pm! This event is FREE and open to the public! All parents and students of our community are welcome and encouraged to attend!

**BE KIND**

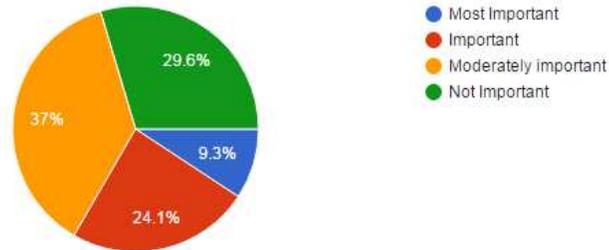
**CHARACTER STRONG**

# Title 1 TIDBITS

I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who filled out the parent survey on conference night or on line. The results of 54 surveys reported the following:

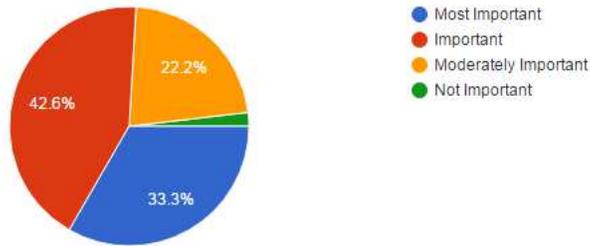
Food costs for parent involvement events (Back to school BBQ, cookies and cocoa)

(54 responses)



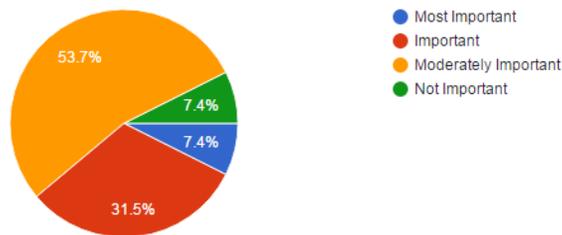
Title I Night (explains Title I and give ideas for helping your child at home)

(54 responses)



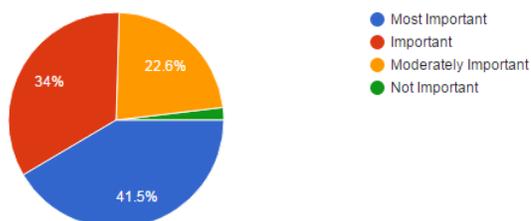
Materials for parent involvement events (Crafts, Cookies, Cocoa and Math Night)

(54 responses)



Informational pamphlets and school improvement books for students

(53 responses)



**PARENT REMINDER: December 14, 2016, AT 5:00 PM is the Crafts, Cookie, AND Cocoa Night at Lakes Magnet Middle School before the band concert.**



**2016-2017  
Lakes Magnet Middle School  
8th Grade Boys Basketball Schedule  
A and B Teams**



First Day of Practice—December 12, 2016

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	EVENT TIME	BUS/ RETURN	TICKETS	OFFICIAL	GAME CLOCK
Dec 12 Monday	First Day	of Practice					
Jan. 10 Tuesday	Lakeland	Lakes	3:45 pm		Eva Pratt		
Jan. 12 Thursday	Sandpoint	Lakes	3:45 pm		Eva Pratt		
Jan. 17 Tuesday	Kellogg	Kellogg	4:00 pm	2:15 / 7:00	N/A	N/A	N/A
Jan. 19 Thursday	Sandpoint	Sandpoint	4:00 pm	2:15 / 7:00	N/A	N/A	N/A
Jan. 24 Tuesday	Charter	Lakes (A first)	3:45 pm		Eva Pratt		
Jan. 26 Thursday	Woodland	Lakes	3:45 pm		Eva Pratt		
Jan. 31 Tuesday	Canfield	Lakes	3:45 pm		Eva Pratt		
Feb. 1 Wednesday	Lakeland	Lakeland	4:00 pm	2:30 / 7:00	N/A	N/A	N/A
Feb. 6 Monday	Woodland	Woodland	3:45 pm	2:20/ no return	N/A	N/A	N/A
Feb. 7 Tuesday	Canfield	Canfield	3:45 pm	2:20/ no return	N/A	N/A	N/A
Feb 9 Thursday	River City	Lakes	4:00 pm				
Feb 13 Monday	Post Falls	Post Falls	4:00	2:30 / 7:00	N/A	N/A	N/A



Coaches: Corey Comstock  
Roy Carlson  
Principal: Jeff Bengtson  
Assistant Principal: Michelle Johnson  
School Colors: Burgundy and Navy  
Picture Day: January 20, 2017 3:00 pm  
Revised: 11/18/16



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**Coaches:**

**Nicole Symons  
Amber Miller  
Thomas Barnett**

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**Assistant Principal:**

**Michelle Johnson**

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**January 20, 2017 3:00 pm**

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**11/16/16**