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Principal's Message

Season's Greetings to one and all. It is amazing how fast November flew by and we are now preparing for the Christmas season.

Speaking of Christmas, we have just finished our elementary Christmas concert. I had the pleasure of attending both the afternoon matinee, as well as the evening performance. The students did an amazing job. As their principal, I was extremely proud of the work the students all put into preparing for the concert and the overall performance. I can only imagine how proud our parents and grandparents were. Thank you to everyone who came out to enjoy the concert. A special thank you to Ms. Li and Mrs. Rice for the countless hours they put into writing, choreographing, teaching, filming and editing to make the concert the success it was. Ms. Li and Mrs. Rice bring out the very best from Lakeland students and it is a real treat to see and hear our singers, dancers, and musicians in action!

Thank you to all of our parents who attended our parent teacher interviews during the last week of November. Interviews provide an excellent opportunity for staff and parents to communicate about the strengths and areas of growth for our students. There was definitely a team environment felt in the school as we synergized to ensure success for all of our students.

With last week's dump of snow has come snowbanks, slippery roads, and covered crosswalks. The safety of our children is everyone's responsibility and I want to remind drivers to exercise extra caution when navigating around pedestrians, both in our parking lot and on the neighboring roads.

To conclude this message, we are pleased to announce that Mrs. Terri Reinbold has announced her retirement from teaching, effective at the end of December. Although we will miss seeing Mrs. Reinbold at Lakeland Ridge, we are excited for her and this new journey in life. Mrs. Reinbold has positively impacted hundreds of lives over her teaching career. She is an exceptional teacher and a truly genuine and honourable person. We would like to thank Mrs. Reinbold for her service to Lakeland Ridge, to our students and to our great community. Congratulations on your retirement!

On behalf of Lakeland students and staff, all the best during the season and our wish for a safe and restful Christmas break.

Mr. Ryan Marshall
Principal

Powerschool

As more information is being stored and shared through the Parent Portal, it is important to regularly check your account (grades, attendance, report cards, fees, etc.). EIPS discourages the use of the PowerSchool app at this time as it does work for some purposes, but isn't reliable and doesn't have all the functionality that the website version has.

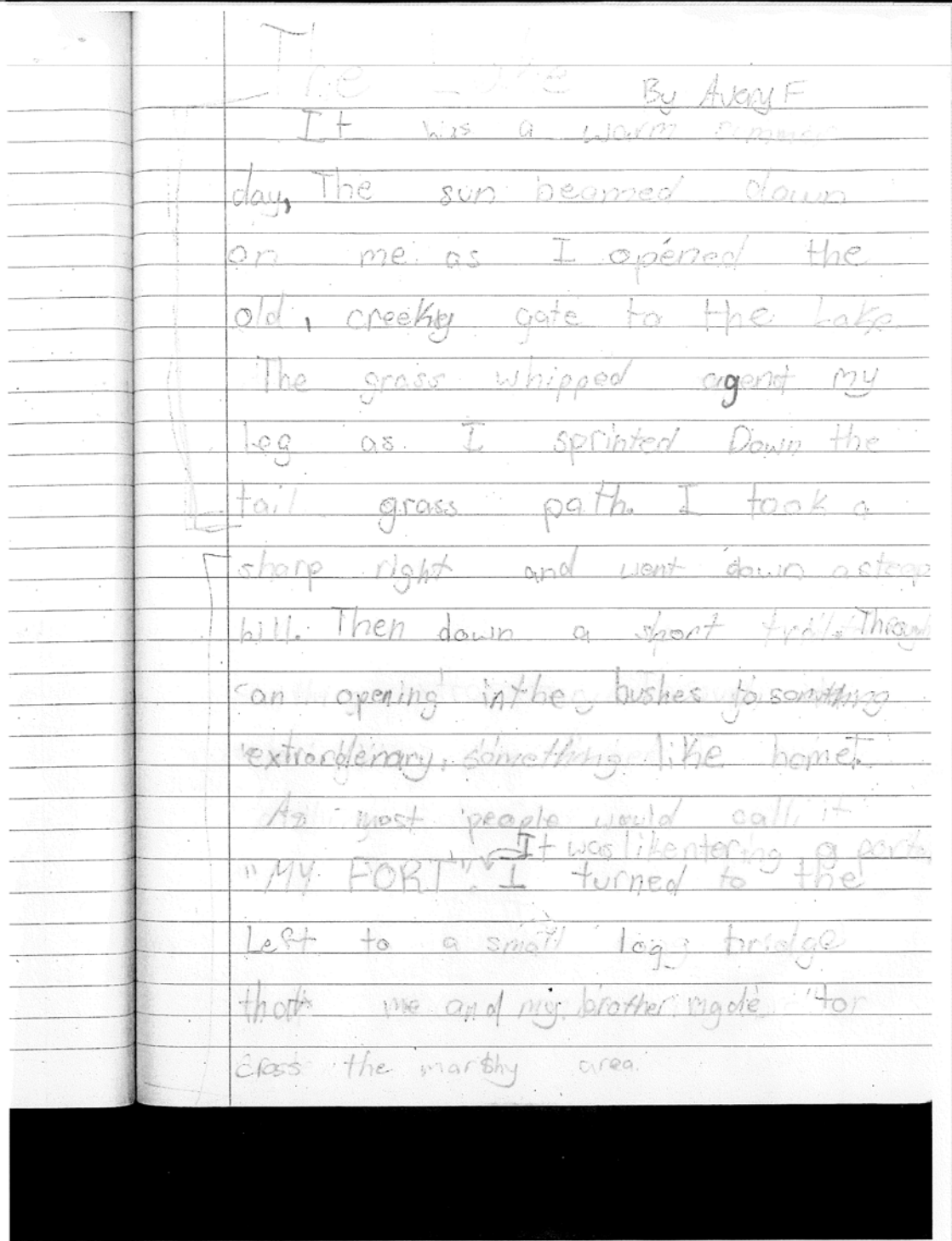
To access PowerSchool, please visit: <https://powerschool.eips.ca/public/home.html>. If you have any questions regarding PowerSchool or need support, please call Mrs. Janke in the office at 780-416-9018.

Library News

We are very pleased with the results of our November book fair! Thank you for your generous support! Based on our sales, we earned over \$1800 in books from the fair as well as \$1000 in cash commission to be used to purchase other new materials for the library learning commons! A great big thank you to all of the parent and student volunteers who ensured the fair was such a great success!

Literacy Corner

In Mrs. Verbitsky and Mrs. Kokotailo's classes have been working on narrative writing and trying to get the students to focus on small moments (one part of the bigger story) and expand just that event. Here is an example of that writing.



The lake

by Avery F

On the other side of the bridge was a raspberry patch. Where you could pick fresh fruits. My heart beamed with happiness. One thing that I didn't mention is that I did this all by myself. This is my safe place, my happy place and a quiet place. To the right was a very old oak tree. It was about 5 metres tall.

In grade one, students have been learning to write their opinions about something and give reasons supporting their opinion. They have been learning to state their opinion and the use the word because in their reasons. Here are a few examples.

Name NORA

Date _____

The WINNER
is Whiskers. because
he is the BEST dog
to use your
Imagination with.
Also because he is
friendly. Another reason
is because hes cutely.
Any other reason is that he sleeps with
me EVERY SINGLE NIGHT.
Another reason is because he is
cute. And because he is nice. I
hope I convinced you that Whiskers
is the best stuff



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Name Scarlett

Date _____

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stuffy.

My faveoret stuffy
is a BIG

vonacorne.

I like it

because vonacornes
are my favoret

Aneiemel. It is mosie

pink. ther was a Teyel

coler on it. I slep with

it. I LOVE my voncorn.

She is so so kind. My

Other stuffy's are rily rily

rily kyot. But my

vonacorn is BEST. My

Vonacorn's name is vony.



The Student Lighthouse Team and Cash 4 Care



The student Lighthouse Team interviewed two animal rescues and have chosen to support Paws in Need this year, as our Cash 4 Care charity. Paws in Need is a small, local non-profit animal rescue that is dedicated to helping dogs, cats and other pets that are in need. They rescue stray, homeless dogs and cats from many different situations. All of the rescues brought into care are placed in foster homes where they are rehabilitated whether it be for health reasons, training or much needed TLC before they can be adopted into their forever homes. They believe all dogs, young and old, deserve a second chance.

How can you help? On the 1st Wednesday of each month, we collect money through our CASH 4 CARE program. We are also collecting food and pet supplies for Paws in Need.

Total collected as of November 30 = \$1823.25 Thank you Wolves!!!

Something to Think about:



If a dog were your teacher

These are some of the lessons you might learn...

When loved ones come home, always run to greet them

Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride

Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face
to be pure bliss

When it's in your best interest, practice obedience

Let others know when they've invaded your territory

Take naps and stretch before rising

Run, romp and play daily

Thrive on attention and let people touch you

Avoid biting, when a simple growl will do

On warm days stop to lie on your back on the grass

On hot days drink lots of water and lay under a shady tree

When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body

Delight in the simple joy of a long walk

Stop when you have had enough

Be loyal

Never pretend to be something you're not

If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it
When someone is having a bad day
be silent
...sit close by.
...and nuzzle them gently.



That's the secret of happiness that we can all learn from a good dog.

Kindie Christmas Concert

Our Kindergarten Christmas Celebration will be on Wednesday, December 19th in the afternoon from 1:15-2:30. The event will take place in our big gym. There will be a musical presentation from our cute Kinders (Biermann and Horricks) followed by crafts, snacks, and time to socialize! Parents, grandparents, and siblings are welcome to attend.

Kindergarten Registration Starts Soon!

Is your child turning five on or before Dec. 31, 2019? If so, it's almost time to register for kindergarten. Kindergarten registration opens for the 2019-20 school year on **Feb. 1, 2019**.

To help families prepare, Elk Island Public Schools has put together an online toolkit—available at www.eips.ca/kindergarten—to make the transition as smooth as possible. The kit includes information on registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, how to find your designated school, transportation and more.

Additional information regarding kindergarten can be found on our school website at www.lakelandridge.com

Elk Island Public Schools 2019-20 Registration Drive

All student registrations for the 2019-20 school year—including kindergarten registration, returning student registration and new student registration—will take place online commencing on **Feb. 1, 2019**.

- Kindergarten: Your child is eligible to enrol in kindergarten if he/she will be five years old on or before December 31, 2019.
- Returning Students: If your child will be returning to an EIPS school next fall, this is when you will confirm that registration and select your requested school—whether your child will attend your designated school or will request a non-designated school, your family will complete this process.

- New Students: Students new to EIPS for the 2019-20 school year will also complete their registration at this time.

All registration forms will be online for families to complete. Additional information, including a list of schools with open and closed boundaries, will be posted on the Division website in the new year.

Happy Holidays from the Board of Trustees

As the holiday season approaches and we prepare for the winter break, I want to take the opportunity to extend warm wishes to all our students, staff and families on behalf of the Elk Island Public Schools Board of Trustees. We hope you and your loved ones have a wonderful and safe Christmas season, and a new year filled with joy. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.

Thank you and best wishes,
Trina Boymook, EIPS Board Chair

Winter Break

Lakeland Ridge School will close for the winter break at the end of the day on Dec. 21, 2018 and will reopen on Jan. 7, 2019. During this time, if you have any school-related questions or concerns, contact Central Services at Elk Island Public Schools.

EIPS Central Services Winter Break Hours

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| Closed | December 22-January 1 |
| Open | January 2-4, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. |

*for location and contact information visit www.eips.ca.

From everyone at Elk Island Public Schools, we wish all of you a happy holiday season and a wonderful New Year.

Parent Council

Thank you to everyone who attended the November School Council meeting where there was a discussion around LLR's Accountability Pillar and PAT results. The next meeting of the School Council will be held on Tuesday, January 15 at 6:30 p.m. As always, all parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. We would love to see some new faces around the discussion table. Free babysitting is provided.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me at llrschoolcouncil@gmail.com. Have a wonderful break.

April Childs
School Council Chair



December 2018

| Sun. | Mon. | Tue. | Wed. | Thu. | Fri. | Sat. |
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| 2 | 3 Day 4 Hot Lunch website closes Drama Rehearsal 3:10 | 4 Day 5 Linking Generations Visit | 5 Day 6 Cash4Care Staff Meeting Early Dismissal Christmas Concert 12:15 and 7:00 at Park Church | 6 Day 1 | 7 Day 2 Kindie Classes to Greenland Garden Center | 8 Drama Rehearsal 10:00-12:00 |
| 9 | 10 Day 3 Hot Lunch Grade 9 Band Silver Birch Lodge Kindie Classes to Greenland Garden Center Drama Rehearsal | 11 Day 4 | 12 Day 5 Teachers pet in school Field trip – Grade 3 | 13 Day 6 | 14 Day 1 | 15 |
| | | | | Sr. Basketball EIPS tournament | | |
| 16 | 17 Day 2 Hot Lunch Drama Rehearsal 3:10 | 18 Day 3 Linking Generations Visit Wolf of the Month Lunch | 19 Day 4 | 20 Day 5 | 21 Day 6 Locker Clean Out Christmas Assembly 10:40 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| | Christmas Break | | | | | |
| 30 | 31 | Jan 1 | Jan 2 | Jan 3 | Jan 4 | Jan 5 |
| | Christmas Break | | | | | |



January 2019

| Sun. | Mon. | Tue. | Wed. | Thu. | Fri. | Sat. |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| | | Christmas Break | | | | |
| 6 | 7 Day 1 Classes Resume Hot Lunch | 8 Day 2 Linking Generations | 9 Day 3 Cash4Care Staff Meeting - Early Dismissal | 10 Day 4 | 11 Day 5 | 12 Drama Rehearsal 10:00-12:00 |
| | | | | EIPS Jr. Basketball Tournament Ardrossan Sr. Basketball Tournament | | |
| 13 | 14 Day 6 | 15 Day 1 Parent Council 6:30 | 16 Day 2 | 17 Day 3 | 18 Day 4 | 19 Drama Rehearsal 10:00-12:00 |
| | | | | Riverbend Jr. Girls Basketball Tournament LLR Sr. Basketball Tournament | | |
| 20 | 21 Day 5 Hot Lunch | 22 Day 6 Linking Generations | 23 Day 1 | 24 Day 2 | 25 Day 3 Newsletter | 26 Drama Rehearsal 10:00-12:00 |
| | | Edith Rodgers | Jr. Basketball Tournament | | | |
| 27 | 28 Day 4 Hot Lunch | 29 Day 5 | 30 Day 6 | 31 Day 1 2 nd Semester Begins Sunridge Ski Trip Grades 4-7 | | |
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