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Thoughts from Tyka

News for all LFMA families!

As we come to the end of another fantastic school year, let me take the opportunity to say what a blessing each and every one of you has been to Mr. Price and me. We are humbled by the amount of support we have received this year and thank you for everything you have done to make Lake Fern such a wonderful place to be. We truly think of each of you as family and know that we could never do what we do without all of you. Thanks for one of the best school years we've had yet. We look forward to many more with you all!

This month will be an extremely busy one, so please make sure to look at the monthly calendar located at the end of the newsletter to stay on top of things. There are a great deal of important events coming up and you won't want to miss them.

To start with, all upper level classes will be completing the Terra Nova 3rd edition this month. Please make sure your child has a nutritious breakfast, a packed high-energy snack, and lots of rest each day. Our students always test extremely well, but we want them to be at their very best. Test results will be given during conferences on the last week of school.

Our end of the year field trip to Sea World will be on Friday, May 8th. Important information went home in your family files last week, so please make sure to read it for the latest information. I was informed by a parent that Sea World will not let straws into the park, so you may not want to take juice packs with you as the straws will likely

Mrs. Price's Class News

The end of the school year always brings mixed emotions for me. It's a time of excitement as students complete another year of study, but it's a little bit sad too, as my second graders leave me to enter a new challenge. Thankfully, most of them stay at LFMA so at least I get to see them every day!

The end of the year also gives me the chance to say how grateful I am to be a part of our amazing LFMA community. The students and families I have been so privileged to work with each day are such an inspiration to me. I feel blessed to have had the opportunity to teach your children this year and am thankful for the support I have received from each of you. Thank you for allowing me to be part of your lives!

This month will be a crazy one, so please check out the Thoughts from Tyka newsletter for information on all of the upcoming events. The Sea World field trip is on Friday, May 8th. Detailed information is in your family files. Our CTBS testing will be during the week of May 11th-14th. Please make sure students are on time as we will start testing promptly at 8:30 each morning. Our conferences will be during the last week of school, May 18th-21st. Report cards and test results will be given out at this time. Our annual end of the year picnic will be on Friday, May 8th. A sign-up sheet will be in the foyer if you would like to bring a dish to share. Finally, our awards ceremony will be on the last day of school Friday May 22nd at 8:30a.m. Students may go home afterward as there will be no formal classes afterward. Have a terrific summer!

be confiscated. If you have any questions, please see a teacher for more information.

Our end of the year picnic will be on Friday, May 15th at 5:30 p.m. LFMA will provide hot dogs, drinks, and paper products. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets and join us for a wonderful time as we celebrate the end of another great year. A sign-up sheet will be in the foyer if you would like to provide a side dish or dessert.

We will have an awards ceremony to honor all of our students on the last day of school May 22nd at 8:30 a.m. Please bring lawn chairs and your camera. Students may go home afterward, if you wish, as we will not be having traditional classes afterwards.

If you plan for your child to attend school during the summer, please register as soon as possible. Much of our staff takes the summer off, but we need to know how many staff members we will need in order to serve our summer students. Summer registration forms are available in the foyer.

Although all of our families have turned in registration forms for the 2015-2016 school year in order to reserve their child's spot for next year, additional paperwork will need to be completed prior to the new school year. We will be having a registration day on Tuesday, July 21st from 6:30 AM - 6 PM. Please stop in sometime on July 21st to complete your child's required paperwork for the new school year. If your child is entering Kindergarten or 7th grade, your child may need new vaccinations. Students entering 6th grade are required to have a scoliosis screening. Please check with your health care provider to schedule appointments prior to registration day. We will need an updated immunization record and physical for your child's records. Please bring these with you on this day! During registration, we will also be taking orders for school uniforms. If you absolutely cannot attend registration day on July 21st, please contact us in advance to arrange another time to complete paperwork.

Don't forget, we will be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 25th. Summer sessions will begin on Tuesday, May 26th. I hope everyone has a peaceful and fun filled summer!

Mrs. Jennifer's Class News

Happy May! I can't believe this year has flown by as fast as it has! As we're putting the final touches on another great year, we'd like to first thank our parents and families for everything you do for us. As I heard during numerous conferences, our school reminds you of a large extended family and we are very thankful that you have chosen us to not only be part of your child's education, but to be a part of their lives and help mold them into outstanding young people. We thank you for all the time you put into our school, into our functions such as Fall Festival and Spring Fling, and into little things in our classrooms such as special treats, craft ideas, and curriculum ideas. We appreciate everything you do in aiding us become better teachers, and role models, for your children. They say "It takes a village to raise a child", and I am so pleased to have been a part of your village!

To wrap up our last month of the 2014-2015 school year, we will continue studying Plants and Insects. We will finish the year out talking about letters X, Y and Z and doing a general review of the alphabet and sounds, recognizing numbers, patterning, colors, shapes, and counting.

Thank you to all of our parents that came to conferences! It was wonderful sharing your child's academic progress with you and having the time to praise all of your child's hard work this year! If you were unable to attend, your child's progress report is in their family file.

Friday, May 8th will be our field trip to Sea World. Information has been sent home in your family files with information regarding when and where to meet. Please see a teacher if you have any questions, or send me a message through class dojo.

On Friday, May 15th, at 5:30 PM, we will have our annual end of the school year picnic. Please keep an eye out for sign-up sheets! Bring a blanket or chairs and a side dish and prepare for a great evening with our LFMA family! For more information see Tyka's Thoughts on the front page!

Friday, May 22nd will be our last day of school. We will have our Awards Ceremony at 8:30 AM. Make sure to bring a camera to capture your child's accomplishments! All students will be receiving awards and may leave afterward, if desired, as traditional classes will not be held.

Mrs. Manley's Class News

I can't believe that it is May already. This year has flown by. May is an extremely busy month so be sure to take a good look at the calendar located on the back of the newsletter. Monday, May 4th through Thursday, May 7th my class will be taking their annual standardized test. Please be sure that your children are here on time because testing will begin as soon as we are finished with the morning pledge. Friday, May 8th is our end of the year field trip to SeaWorld. If your child is not attending, please be sure to have other arrangements made because all of the upper level will be gone. My conferences will be on May 18th through 22nd. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for the conferences. The end of the year picnic is on Friday, May 15th.

As always, I want to thank all of my parents for sharing your children with me. This time of year, I am always reminded of how blessed I am to be part of the Lake Fern Montessori family. Thank you for allowing me to be part of your child's life and entrusting their education with me. I hope everyone has a restful and relaxing summer.

A Special Thanks for a Great Year!

We would like to thank everyone that helped to make our first year running the school so successful. We could not have asked for better employees who have been very helpful and kind every step of the way. In addition, we would like to thank all of the families who have entrusted us to their child's education. As huge of a process as it is to take over a business, we felt blessed at each juncture. Please accept our heart-felt thanks.

Greg and Tyka

If you are planning on having your child attend over the summer, please turn in a summer registration form if you haven't done so already.

Thank you from all of your preschool and VPK teachers! Have a great summer!

Mr. Price's Class News

One more year in the books! It's hard to believe how fast times moves. As always, I feel so blessed to be able to share in your lives and the lives of your children. As we finish out the year, please keep in mind that there is a lot going on.

We have CTBS Standardized testing for the week of May 4TH to May 7TH. Please make sure that everyone is here by 8:30 AM because we want to get started as soon as possible. In addition, make sure that everyone gets plenty of sleep and has a solid breakfast. These two factors are vitally important to maintaining focus and being mentally prepared for testing. Non-test times during this week will generally be less structured, so there will be no tests or regular curriculum.

Remember that the end of the year field trip to Sea World is on Friday, May 8TH. Please see handout and information presented in the foyer for details. The end of the year picnic will be held on Friday, May 15TH at 5:30. Sign-up sheets will be available in the foyer for anyone who wishes to bring a desert or side dish.

We are holding an award ceremony at 8:30Am on the last day of school (May 22).

Sign-up sheets for end of the year conferences will be out in the foyer. If you need to make any special arrangements for your conference, please let me know.



So her strong young mind continued to grow, nurtured by the voices of all those authors who had sent their books out into the world like ships on the sea.

Roald Dahl (Matilda)

LFMA School Calendar for May 2015

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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17	18 Sonic Conferences for K-8 TH Grade	19 Conferences for K-8 TH Grade	20 Conferences for K-8 TH Grade	21 Conferences for K-8 TH Grade	22 Last Day of School Awards Ceremony at 8:30 AM	23
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