

Mails Messenger

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Character Counts At Lisa J. Mails!

Harmony
Empathy
Achievement
Reflection
Transformation

Mark Your Calendars

Tuesday, February 11th

School Tour
9:00 AM

ACE Classes Begin

Thurs., February 13th

Artist Fair
8:30 AM

Fri., February 14th and Mon., February 17th

Holidays – No School

Wed., February 19th

PTA Board Meeting
6:00 PM

The Transition to Common Core

Thank you to the parents who joined us at our Parents 'R Onboard (PRO) information night in January. Our focus for this meeting was the transition to the Common Core Standards in Language Arts. The following are the six key shifts in literacy and some questions you might ask yourself in terms of your support of your child's learning:

Shift

Questions for Parents

Informational Texts

Do you encourage your child to read as much nonfiction as fiction? Do you discuss ideas in nonfiction texts?

Close Reading of
Complex Texts

Do you read challenging texts with your children and help them see the value of the information?

Text-based Answers
and Evidence

Do you ask your child to show evidence from the text when answering questions?

Writing from Sources
with Evidence

Do you encourage your child to write using evidence and details from multiple texts?

Academic Vocabulary

Do you talk to your children using academic language?

Digital Literacy

Do your children use technology and media as a learning tool?

For the full powerpoint presentation from the evening, you can refer to the school website under parents and PRO. We will follow up with the shifts in the Math Common Core Standards in April.

You may find that our teachers are out of the classroom several days this semester. The purpose of this is to provide professional development in the transition to common core. It is an important part of our ability as a school to meet these new expectations and effectively prepare your children. We appreciate your understanding.

Thurs., February 20th

Site Council Meeting
3:00 PM

Friday, February 21st

Mother/Son Event
5:30 PM & 7:00 PM

Monday, February 24th

Chalk Draw
7:50 AM

Wed., February 26th

MVUSD Choral
Showcase at Mesa HS
9:30 AM

Science Fair
6:00 – 7:00 PM

Friday, February 28th

Dr. Seuss Day

Student Lunch with the
Principals
11:45 AM

Tuesday, March 4th

Spring Pictures

Thursday, March 6th

PTA Meeting and Coffee
with Principals
8:30 AM

Friday, March 7th

VMHS Choral Festival
1:00 PM

Congratulations to our First Semester Honor Roll Recipients

5th Grade Gold

Jacob Baesen, Devyn Breazeale, Riley Carney, Collin DesRoberts,
Adam Etherington, Madison Fernandez, Emmy Flores, Gavin Gagucas,
Katrina Gomez, Amber Hanson, Jamaya Harris, Emmalee Idler, Owin Page,
Anisa Johnson, Michiko Kosasih, Isabella Krstovski, Samantha McCain,
Grace Ostrand, Moriah Owens, Sofia Parsons, Avery Poznanski,
Olivia Rodrigo, Brody Williamson

4th Grade Gold

Sammy Agajanian, Zachary Bader, Riley Berklite, Ella Cannon, Colin Carney,
Kevin Colorado, Chloe DeGaris, Isabella Dempsey, Lauren Harrison,
Troy Havlicheck, Toby Josselyn, Jade Ketcham-Ramos, Olin Kilbury,
Emma LaMay, Kylie Langsdale, Makail Mallari, Sabrina Melad, Joey Sims,
Ashley Morris, Carly Murray, Nadia Petrosuis, Joseph Rangel, Cecilia Rueda,
Annabelle Schroeder, Natalie Schumann, Rylie Shaw, Gabriella Stockert,
Jordan Waroff, Colin West, Byran Wong

5th Grade Silver

Leen Al-Jawad, Carlos Anguiano, Zoe Beggin, Shance Biagi, Trinity Bowers,
Brooklynn Bonafede, Mason Brewer, Kasey Carr, Kristin Coleman,
Dominic Dimapilis, Ava Duran, Devin Felix, Cameron Finch, Pares Gil,
Wilkenson Gale, Amaya Garcia, Wyatt Hagerman, Grace Hensley,
Sydney Howells, Thomas Jenkins, Brooke Jones, Parker Josselyn,
Joshua Kanethavong, Nico Leyva, Migdalia Lopez, Kennon Madigan,
Hannah Maingot, Maile Montilano, Sydney Moreno, Marshall Mory,
Nicolas Otero, Raquelle Payne, Spencer Robinson, Santana Rodriguez,
Jacy Rowe, Samantha Saldania, Katelyn Sandeck, Erin Shaffer,
Raegan Silva, Justine Tanjuaquio, Catherine Truong, Lisa Valdez,
Landon Valentine, Anthony Walmer, Connor Westrich, Naleilani Williams,
Lauren Walton

4th Grade Silver

Nia Barker, Dre Barlow, Taylor Beaman, Katelyn Bowen, Brooks Boyer,
Jace Campbell, Marika Condray, Tyler DeVeney, Annemarie Diaz,
Catelyn Dittamo, Tikiaya Dunklin, Christopher Ferrer, Randilyn Fletcher,
Ethan Frigillana, Chloe Gaines, Zoe Gaskill, Warren Houston, Bianca Ibarra,
Nicolas Kozik, Therese Lagrimas, Sierra Zettlemoyer, Katelyn Leonhart,
Hunter Lindemeyer, Johanna Lunn, Olivia Molina, Carson Murray,
Kayleigh O'Neill, Jeremiah Ramirez, Aaron Rieber, Dylan Rutherford,
Daniel Schulman, Kaylee Schwab, Raegyn Seneff, Riley Simpson,
Annaka Stackhouse, Nia Taylor, Elis Thieu, Zack Trezona, Luis Trujillo,
Nicolas Uranza, Gavin Walker, Madison Williams, Kyle Yoon, Tiffany Lee

5th Grade Excellence in Effort

Kassidy Adams, Emily Alonzo, Ann Aragon, Bella Beauchamp, Brian Bonus,
Lyla Cabrera, Jesse Clark, Tyler DeGreef, Madeline Delmare, Kirsten Hess,
Kaylee Gibson, Kelsey Guerrero, Tre Johnson, Adilene Morales, Ally Patane,
Giselle Phrakonekham, Brice Saunders, Alivia Shepich, Brooklyn Sims,
Jeuz Solares, Samantha Williams, Austin Wiseman, Aidan Wren,
Savannah Yankee

4th Grade Excellence in Effort

Taylor Atilano, Kayla Black, Matthew Caldera, Morgan DeBate, Caleb Fuller, Cameron DeGaris, Eryk Elizondo, Jerrad Gonzalez, Bella Harris, Hayden Hess, Gabby Leonhard, Luke Matthews, Desmond McCullough, Joshua Narvaez, Lexi Powell, Khirra Reed, Skye Short, Amber Taylor, Josh Torres, Maddie Yocom

Announcements

2014-2015 Registration

Transfer Paperwork

This is the time to be mindful of transfer paperwork, which is being accepted now for the 2014-2015 school year. If LJM is your home school, you do not need to worry about this. If LJM is not your home school, please read the following procedures for completing paperwork:

- Intra-district transfers (from within the district) do not need to be completed each year. The exception to this is new TK/Kindergarten and Fifth grade students moving on to the Middle school.
- Inter-district transfers from a district other than Murrieta DO need to complete a transfer each school year. Please be sure to do this quickly to assist us in our planning.

You should have received an "Intent to Return" Form that is to be completed and turned in to our school. This form allows us to have advanced knowledge of our student numbers and is very helpful for preparation for the next school year. Thank you for being diligent in completing these forms!

TK/Kinder Registration

Transitional Kindergarten will again be in place next year for students who do not make the cut-off for Kindergarten. Students must be five years old by 9/1/14 to be eligible for Kindergarten. Students with birthdays from 9/2/09 to 12/2/09 will be eligible for the TK class(es) which will be held in the morning.

More information will be coming out about registration dates. The district is moving to an online registration system. Our Kindergarten Roundup Day will be held later in the year than in the past. Please check the school website for updates. You may call our office to be put on an email list to receive more information when it is available.

If you are not an in-boundary LJM student, you will be required to turn in a transfer request and have that approved prior to registering for TK/Kindergarten. It is imperative that you move forward with that process right away to ensure your space.

Please note that our Early Bird and Late Bird programs will continue next year and students will be placed in morning or afternoon classes based on age, with younger students in the morning. Exceptions will be made for students with child care needs. No one will be assigned Early Bird or Late Bird until we are secure in our numbers. Notification will likely occur in June.

Immunization Update

Effective January 1, 2014, parents who want to exempt their child from one or more required immunizations because of their personal beliefs **must** provide to the school:

A letter or affidavit requesting an exemption that states that the required immunization(s) are contrary to their beliefs

AND

A statement signed and dated by a health care practitioner and parent indicating that the practitioner has provided, and the parent has received, information about the benefits and risks of immunizations and the risks of vaccine-preventable diseases.

Youth art Exhibition/Street Painting Workshop

The Youth Art Exhibition will be sponsoring a Free Street Painting Workshop on Saturday, February 22nd from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in front of the Promenade Mall Theatre. Artists and students will be able to finish their work from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Please come visit the Promenade Mall in February to view artwork by LJM students, as well as other students in the community.

Murrieta Family Survey

Murrieta Valley Unified is conducting a survey of military families so we can identify the needs of military-connected students and their families. If you are a military family with students in Murrieta Valley Unified School District, please take a few minutes to take this short survey. Your anonymous responses will help us improve the support and services we provide to military-connected students whether they are new to the district, facing the deployment of a parent, or getting ready for the family's next move. You will find a link to the survey on the home page of the school website or you may [click here](#) to take the survey.

Middle School Math Information Nights

Parents of fifth graders and middle school students are invited to attend a one-hour Middle School Math Information Night led by the district's secondary math coaches. The Middle School Math Information Night will focus on how our district is transitioning to the Common Core Curriculum Standards in Math. There are some important changes occurring in math course descriptions and in the standards covered, and this is your opportunity to learn about these changes and how they will affect your middle school child.

All presentations will take place at 6:00 PM at the following schools. Feel free to attend whichever presentation fits your schedule best.

- February 20th – Warm Springs Middle School
- March 4th – Shivela Middle School
- March 12th – Dorothy McElhinney Middle School

Congratulations to our December Award Recipients



1st – 3rd



4th and 5th

December Soaring Spirit Recipients: Transformation

Samantha Rodriguez, Audrey Duplan, Dylan Martinez, Trevor Alba,
Lilley Jean Yager, Truman McDonnell, Hunter Borel, Coen Legg,
Marimagdalena Jasso, Liliana Sarmiento, Trevor Nelson, Troy Tracey,
Jessalyn Rieber, Hunter Bentley, Manar Ibrahim, Logan Koebler,
Fionna Hoffman, Jacob Badaluco, Jacklyn Berglund, Mario Pineda,
Brianna Sanchez, Micah Butler, Faith Romine, Adrian Nunez,
Desirae Huffmon, James Lindsley, Chloe Gaines, Aaron Rieber,
Taylor Atilano, Rosalinda Chavez, Justin Myers, Camden MacLeod,
Sydney Bowers, Tiffany Lee, Corbin Bradbury, Jasmine Thomas,
Aidan Setias, Makenna Platek, Ethan Tran, Santana Rodriguez,
Lorenzo Gutierrez, Bella Beauchamp, Jayden Galley, Ann Aragon,
Margaret Acquaro, Hailey Coronado, Adilene Morales,
and Mason Brewer!



Authors of the Month

- 1st Grade – Kayla Havlicheck
- 2nd Grade –Taryn Boyd
- 3rd Grade – Tyler Leffingwell
- 4th Grade – Brooks Boyer
- 5th Grade – Leen Al-Jawad



Artists of the Month

- 1st Grade – Brody Denson
- 2nd Grade –Belle Hatchel
- 3rd Grade – Kayla Guy
- 3rd Grade – James Lindsley
- 4th Grade – Nia Taylor
- 5th Grade – Emmalee Idler

Annual Ornament Contest

Thank you to everyone who participated in our ornament contest! The winners for this year were:

- 1st Place – Audrey Garcia
- 2nd Place – Ava Duran
- 3rd Place – Sierra Zettlemoyer
- Honorable Mention: Emmalee Idler and Ally Negulescu

Congratulations to our January Award Recipients



Lunch with the Principals Awarded for Academic Achievement

Jack Mincey, Julianne Del Rosario, Mason Foster, Brighton Armerding, Olivia Bowen, Austin Dekker, Jaden Drago, Max Payne, Camila Bello, Gwyneth Dempsey, Alexandria Hacke, Tommy Koziel, Grant Wayne, Gabriel Blanco, Leif Van Boxtel, Quinlan Trudel, Erica Fernandez, Kyle Yoon, Isabella Ramirez, Sierra Zettlemoyer, Annemarie Diaz, Nathan Lee, Grace Ostrand, Trevor Romans, Jaiden Johnson, Ava Duran, Kelsey Guerrero, and Gabriela Sanchez!



1st – 3rd



4th and 5th

January Soaring Spirit Recipients: Trustworthiness

Journey Josselyn, Caleb Motluck, Joey Ibarra, Chloe Jaramillo, Sophia Shoemaker, Makenna Marcotte, Diana Castro Del Castillo, Sedwrick Dunklin, Cheyenne Cline, Justine Lee, Zoey Barboza, Lucas Price, Emily Fierro, Chase Prout, Samantha Jurgens, Ena Kuklis, Delyla Hanlon, Leila Stockert, Colie Heise, Patrizia Panlilio, Kiana Hill, Nolan King, Camryn Saunders, Emma Sigafoos, Jesse Hernandez, Wyatt Price, Adrian Cuevas, London Wilson, Kayla Starkey, Kyle Francis, Ruby Siluano, Collin Veltman, Therese Lagrimas, Michael Nishioka, Jace Campbell, Morgan DeBate, Kayla Black, Gilbert Cardenas, Colt Tucker, Nadia Petrosuis, Nicholas Hernandez, Ashlee Favela, Ally Patane, Raegan Silva, Ryan Dekker, Isabella Krstovski, Nico Leyva, Connor Westrich, Marcus Aguirre, Amaya Garcia, and Jesse Clark!

Wall Ball Tournament Winners



2nd Grade

Gold: The Destroyers – Jacob Jones / Ryder Cabrera

Silver: The Terminators – Isaac Cabrera / Mikaela Brock

Bronze: The Rushing Bulls – Zack Velasco / Stone Tucker

Monarch Girls – Jordan Harris / Isabella Marquez

3rd Grade

Gold: Legendary Masters of Disaster – Jasper Rodriguez / Andrew Johnstone

Silver: Neon Strikers – Chaleigh Depner / Patricia Panlilio

Bronze: Bones – Lowell Fulmer / Luis Alvarez

Hello Kitty Smashers – Brooke Poznanski / Kaliyah Cox

4th Grade

Gold: Dark Devils – Sammy Agajanian / Carter Oldham

Silver: Origami Owls – Caroline Murray / Lexi Powell

Bronze: Chargers – Ethan Fomai / Zoe Karam

The Heat – Wyatt Piersall / Hunter Lindemeyer

5th Grade

Gold: Fire Ponies – Jesse Bermudez / Landon Valentine

Silver: Pink Fluffy Marshmallows – Katelyn Sandeck / Joelle Dyas

Bronze: Dynamic Donuts of Doom – Owin Page / Jesse Clark

T.D. Infinity – Trinity Bowers / Devyn Breazeale

Please Support Our Procedures for Arrival and Pickup



Please be aware of our new procedures for 2014. Please review these with your child and emphasize the importance of meeting these new expectations:

- Students waiting for their rides after school need to wait behind the yellow line and be seated until their ride arrives. Students should not be in the planters, and they should not be engaged in tag or chase. This is a big change for our students, but it will result in a safer and more orderly environment.
- Parents, as you drive through the car loop, please be aware of our new, yellow numbered spaces. Please pull up to the yellow line to enable us to maximize our drop-off space.
- We have started and will continue to enforce an 8:20 start time for students. Our front door will be closing promptly at 8:20 and all students who arrive after this time will be asked to sign in and get a tardy pass. Please adjust your morning routine to ensure that your child arrives on campus by 8:20. If your family continues to find your selves getting here right at the bell, leave ten minutes early or come at 8:00 AM. This will give your child time to play on the playground, and you will beat the worst of the traffic.

We know that these new rules will require some changes, but our goal is, as always, to create a safe and efficient campus. We truly appreciate your support in making some small changes that we feel will be of benefit to all!

And, a reminder, please watch your speed at all times in the parking lot and anywhere in the school zone. It is essential that we model HEART in all ways for our children and do everything we can to keep all students safe!!!

COMMUNITY FLYER ACCESS:

Please use the link below to access and download community events/activities flyers.

[View Flyers!](#)