Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

We are celebrating two months of having been in school—this year is racing by for sure! Thank you for your support for the Fun Run. We raised over $16,000 which is so much more than we could have imagined. We can't thank you enough. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to help fund a STEM lab at Legacy Point. We have a team in place and are looking forward to what we can do for our students.

Teachers at Legacy Point are busy aligning curriculum with fidelity. We are implementing a phonics program in all grades. We believe this is a key component for our students that needs to be secured. Another area we are focusing on is writing. We have purchased and are using a common writing program called “Write Now Right Now”. The common language and assessments have been key for our students. We are looking forward to what this can do for us as a school community.

We appreciate your involvement in your child’s education. Whether it be financial, volunteering in the classroom or stepping up to help with a school activity through PTIB, your support is valued. Thank you and let’s keep working hard as we move toward fall break!

Kristin R. Drury
Principal
October 7 Habits/Home-School Connection: Emotional Bank Accounts

You all know what a bank account for your money is, but what exactly is an Emotional Bank Account? Parents and students alike can all benefit from this type of account, which we sometimes refer to as an EBA. It is all about building trusting relationships with other people: teachers, students, parents, siblings, friends, coaches, and more! By behaving in ways that build trust, we make deposits. By behaving in ways that destroy trust—like being unkind—we make withdrawals. The “balance” in the account reflects the amount of trust in the relationship at any time and the balance can be impacted by others, as well as yourself. A few examples of deposits can be when someone makes you smile, receiving a gift, or accomplishing something you didn’t think you could. A few examples of withdrawals can be if someone ignores you, someone yells at you, or being called names. Deposits and withdrawals might be different for every person. As a family discuss what an EBA is and keep track for a day deposits and withdrawals. Make conscious choices to make deposits rather than withdrawals!

Two great books connecting to EBA’s that you can find at your public library or the LPE library!
Professional Learning Day - September 20th

Douglas County employees were brought together on September 20th on the Professional Development day to celebrate who we are as a district. It was also an opportunity to unveil the new DCSD Strategic Plan for the next 5 years. As an entire district we embraced where we have been and where we are going, which was very powerful. During the afternoon, we all went to different areas in Douglas County for some job-alike professional development. K-5 teachers joined teachers at Wildcat Mountain Elementary to learn about a new phonics program we will be adopting to provide alignment for this important skill. This work will begin this year as soon as materials are received. All together, it was a productive and learning filled experience.

Wanted: Donations for Phone Room

We are looking for donations for a donation of a leather lounge chair, floor lamp, and a wall mirror. We are creating a "Phone Room" for teachers and want to make it a welcoming and usable space. Please contact the front office if you have one of these items.
Did You Know????
Interesting Facts about LPE!

Did you know...
That LPE took 1st place out of the PHS feeder elementary schools for our *student designed* and *student created* Superhero themed float at the annual Ponderosa High School Homecoming Parade? Special thanks to Mrs. Stratman and her float committee, and everyone who helped make this float a true winner!!

Supergirl (or Mrs. Drury, depending on the day) with the AWESOME float.

Our prize winning float!

Did you know...
That the Preschool program here at LPE is one of two preschool programs in DCSD that have scored a Level 4, which is the highest level, with the State of Colorado?

We are so honored to work with such dedicated and passionate early childhood educators!

Did you know...
That Ponderosa High School football players come to read to our students weekly?
Pictured is the PHS starting left tackle reading to a group of 1st graders.
LPE to the (Food) Rescue!

It started with an idea, and has morphed into a reality where up to 60 uneaten food items per week are donated to the Parker Task Force to help feed those in need of a little help. 5th Grade students Autumn and Sydney came up with the idea last year, as 4th graders. Sydney said, “We wanted to start a fundraiser for people that don’t have as much because we were always raising money for the school.”

The students ran the idea by Mrs. Drury, who shared with them the idea of the Food Rescue at Gold Rush, and the girls thought it was a great idea! They started to raise funds to purchase an approved cooler, but then an approved cooler unit was donated to the school from Mrs. Hamby and Natural Grocers at the end of the 18-19 school year.

“Students donate uneaten, still wrapped food to the cooler, we count it on Tuesdays, and then it goes to the Task Force,” added Autumn. They mentioned that usually the count is between 40 and 60 individual items, all of which help people in Parker that are in need of a little assistance feeding their families.

Autumn and Sydney created posters about the Food Rescue, and included what can be donated. Additionally, they visited classrooms to talk to the students about its purpose and items that can be included. They hope that as the school year goes on, more items are donated, and more students understand what can be donated, such as uncut fruit, items in their original packaging, and cartons of milk. LPE is so proud of these empowered students, their willingness to help fellow Parker residents, and their dedication to the Food Rescue!
PTIB News

WOW!!! Not only did we raise the $12,500 we were hoping for at our Fun Run this year, we SURPASSED it and raised $16,667.56, which is 133% of the goal. Because of this, the entire school will be able to participate in a foam party during lunch, and all of the K-3 classes get to have an inflatable party. We can’t thank you enough for helping us fund our future Coding and Robotics lab which will allow all LPE students to explore the world of computer coding and robotics programming!!

We have two additional ways you can help LPE.

The first method is to collect Box Tops, which is made even easier by allowing you to scan your shopping receipts into the app and any “box top eligible” items are automatically collected and the funds are donated to LPE.

The second (super easy) way to help the school is to designate Legacy Point to receive your Community Rewards just by shopping at King Soopers.

If you have physical Box Tops, please turn those in to the box by the main office by November 1st.

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Explorers Club
FALL BREAK CALENDAR:
OCTOBER, 14th-18th

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October Dates to Remember

October 3  Picture Retakes
October 7  SAC Meeting – 9:05am – 10:15am
October 8  DAC Meeting – 6:30pm – 8:30pm
October 14-18  Fall Break – Enjoy your time off!
October 24  BINGO Night! Presented by PTIB – More details to come!
October 28  Ponderosa High School Feeder Concert – 7:00pm – 9:00pm
October 29  PTIB Meeting – 4:15pm – 5:30pm
October 31  Halloween Parade/October Leadership Assembly – 9:15am – 10:00am
                Classroom Halloween Parties – 10:00am – 11:00am
5th grade families, please check with your teacher, as this may be
different for your student*

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