
Lake Lure Classical Academy-CFA

Week of March 12, 2018

Dear Raptor Families,

Our students and staff did a super job during our safety drill on Friday, We have several things we are working on to enhance safety and these drills allow us an opportunity to not just practice but find where we need improvement.

Thanks to all,Mr. Keever

Ms. Edgerton:

- *On March 15th, first grade students will go to ICC to see Moon Mouse, A Space Odyssey*
- *Our 5th grade students will have Muddy Sneakers March 23rd and April 12th.*
- *Parents, please help your children with their multiplication facts. Memorizing is the best way! This is the best thing you can do now to help your child improve their math skills.*
- *If you know any children starting kindergarten next fall ask them to check out LLCA. We have a wonderful kindergarten camp and welcome parents and students for visits.*

Mr. White:

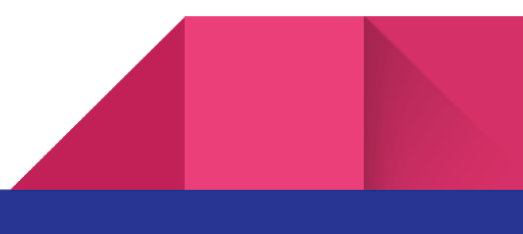
- High school students can make up time due to absences Wednesday and Thursday after-school from 3:00 - 4:30 PM.
- March 19-23 : High School Scheduling.

Upcoming Events:

Monday, March 12:

Tuesday, March 13:

Wednesday, March 14:

- **High School Students Make up time**
 - **Report Cards**
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Thursday, March 15:

- **High School Students Make up time**

Friday, March 16:

- **College dress down day. Cost is \$3.00, this supports the athletic department. Dress down day rules apply.**

[Read more on our website](#)

News from the teachers:

Art with Mrs. Searcy



Kindergarten: We were all wrapped up in our Louise Nevelson inspired sculptures this past week! We did not get to start our salt dough clay pinch pots, so we will begin learning about clay this week and create our pinch pots!

1st Grade: Students are learning about portraits and self-portraits. Our Lego Style Self-Portraits look awesome! We will now create a family portrait this week!

2nd Grade: In 2nd grade, students are learning about Abstract Art. We worked last week on Henri Matisse style collages and this week we are going to learn about the Abstract Expressionist artist Jackson Pollock. We will be creating some marble action paintings!

3rd Grade: Students in third grade have been working hard on their American Indian inspired circle weaving. They are looking great! We will continue weaving right along this week in art class.

4th Grade: Students completed our Art of China unit last week and we are going to work on a community project this week. Students will be designing their own t-shirt logos for the 2018 Junior Olympiad that takes place in August at Rumbling Bald.

5th Grade: Fifth grade students are going to continue their study of 19th Century American Art as we begin looking at Civil War photography and monuments.

MUSIC with Mrs. Staley



- K** - Students will learn “Who are the people in your neighborhood” through song and movement.
- 1** - Students will become familiar songs about taking care of Earth.
- 2** - Students will sing songs about the Westward Expansion in the 1800s.
- 3** - Students will become familiar songs while learning about the Solar System.
- 4** - Students will complete our unit on music from the China Dynasties.
- 5** - Students will complete our unit on Folk Songs which reference the Westward Expansion in America.
- 6th** - Students will begin our unit on the Baroque era 1600-1750.



Life Skills with Mrs. Staley

This week in Life Skills students will begin our unit on Failure 101. We will explore the idea of learning from failure and how to use failures to create positive outcomes and positive self perceptions.

First Grade:

First grade is moving into our Animals and their Habitat's unit in which students will learn about different habitat's around the world. A few of those habitat's are the arctic, desert and deciduous forest. Students will enjoy these lessons! During these readings we will make a trip to the NC Nature Center along with an animal project that will go along with the Nature Center and our readings!

We are moving along with our math lessons we are finished with graphing and we are moving onto place value. We will be working on place value throughout the next month.

Thursday we do have a field trip to the play.

Friday we will have our St. Patrick's day Green Lunch!

Second Grade:

Next week in second grade we will finish up with Module 6 in Math, repeated addition. We are also working on counting money.

In Listening and Learning, our current domain is Westward Expansion during the 1800's in America. Our class read aloud is Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder.

We are completing Unit 4 in Core Knowledge Language Arts with reviewing plurals, parts of speech, antonyms and synonyms, and compound words.

Mrs. Sarratt's class is working on cursive and hope to finish the lower case letters by Easter.

Of course.....we don't want to be tricked by any leprechauns this week, so we are on the hunt for mischief.

Third Grade:

Next week in third grade we will continue our study of Native American Children and their culture. We are reading about the different language families and regions. How each contributed to the world through the Columbian exchange. We are also hearing the oral stories passed down from generation to generation. In

ELA we are practicing our dictionary skills, working with the suffix -able, -ible and reviewing singular and plural possessive nouns and pronouns. We will also begin work in our Buckle Down reading Books. In math we will continue our division practice and work with division in our word problems, We will be stressing the use of modeling in working these problems out.

Fourth Grade:

Field trip on Friday to Speedway to Healthy. There were 2 permission slips (the LLCA permission slip and a waiver from Speedway to Healthy) both must be returned for your child to attend.

Biltmore permission slips will come home this week with a note about how much you have paid for the trip so far. The goal is to have all money and permission collected before spring break.

Reading

We are continuing learning about the Constitution.

We have an article of the day to practice our text markup strategy. There will be a reading passage for homework this week also.

Math

We are continuing with fractions by working with equivalent fractions.

We are also working hard on mastering tape diagrams for word problems with whole numbers and with fractions. Check our Thinking Blocks (www.mathplayground.com/thinkingblocks) to practice at home.

Keep studying your multiplication facts!

Science

We are continuing geology with rocks and minerals. We have some exciting experiments and station activities line up!

Fifth Grade:

Be sure to check Dojo and Powerschool for missing assignments. Download the Powerschool App! It gives regular updates!

CKLA: We are working with correlative conjunctions, prepositional phrases the suffix -ist, reviewing old skills like subject-verb agreement in the past tense and the prefix en-

Math- We are skill chugging away at operation with fractions, specifically division and multiplication, while reviewing skills learned earlier in the year.

Science- We are finishing our unit on Newtons Law and Simple Machines. Students should be studying each night and we are moving on to our Energy unit.

Social Studies- We are currently learning about Westward Expansion with topics such as Manifest Destiny, Tecumseh, Lewis and Clark, Robert Fulton and the Steam boat and much more. Students are enjoying learning how people traveled during the early 1800's.

Mrs. James:

Vocabulary: Grades 6-8 Middle School English students will take the Vocabulary Workshop Unit 9 Test on Tuesday, March 13th. Please make sure that your student is studying a minimum of fifteen minutes each night for this test.

Literature:

Grade 6- Students took the Julius Caesar test on Thursday, March 8th.
We will begin reading Mark Twain's The Prince and the Pauper this week.
Grade 7- We are reading the play Anne Frank and learning about the Holocaust.
Grade 8- We are reading Harper Lee's Pulitzer Prize winning novel
To Kill a Mockingbird.

Upcoming Projects:

Grade 6- Persuasive Speeches- Students received rubrics for their speeches on Thursday, March 8th.
Speeches will begin on Thursday, March 15th
Both grades 7 and 8 will receive rubrics for their projects this week.
Grade 7- Original Poetry-
Grade 8- Persuasive Essays

Mrs. Warner:

Hi Raptors,

Next week in middle school science we will be learning about the following topics:

6th grade: The Planets and the Moon

7th grade: Reviewing and unit test on the Human Body Systems.

8th grade: Starting a new unit on Interactions of Life.

Please have your student join their class on google classroom. Once they do this they will have access to all class notes and documents, any time they want. Please let me know if you have any issues.

Have a great week!

Ms. Cohen:

In Social Studies this upcoming week, 6th grade students will learn about Haiti's struggle for independence and Mexico's fight for independence. 6th graders will also work on their map skills and geography of Latin America countries. They will have a vocabulary test on Wednesday March 14th.

7th graders will learn about the war in Europe, and about the fall of Austria and Czechoslovakia. They will begin a timeline that incorporates key events of World War II. 7th graders will also have a vocabulary test on Wednesday March 14th.

8th graders will continue to work on their written communication skills through their group project and their pen pals. 8th graders will also continue their debating skills as they practice having civil conversations and mock hearings of current events. During this upcoming week, we will also continue our unit on the Korean War.

Mr. Smallwood:

Freshmen-In looking at non-fiction, we will first begin with Richard Wright's autobiography to practice analyzing what an author chooses to include and how they shape actual events to express the message they are conveying.

Sophmores- The class has spoken and we will be reading Erich Maria Remarque's All's Quiet on the Western Front. We will also be using this novel as a starting point for practicing Cornell Notes as well.

Juniors- As we explore Arthur Miller's classic The Crucible and look at how history repeated itself as well as how it has been repeated again, The students are beginning to see the stark differences between Puritan Salem of 1692 and America today but also some surprising similarites.

Mr. Gabin:

Hello Math Whizzes! Pi Day is coming up next Wednesday, 3/14. We will be having a pie judging contest and free pies that go to the winners of the students who memorize the most digits of the number pi.

Here's what our classes are working on next week:

Math 1: Exponents and exponential functions

Math 2: Nonlinear equations

Math 3: Functions

Mr. Lampson:

Rock and Roll History-The topic of class next week will be the counterculture movement and the Haight-Ashbury district of San Francisco during the Summer of Love (1967).

High School Guitar-Students in this class will continue working on their original compositions. They will further incorporate eighth note syncopation into their chorus melodies and will also spend more time on performing and learning the piece.

High School Band-This class will continue working on jazz phrasing next week. They will also continue focusing on rhythm counting as we prepare for a rhythm quiz next week.

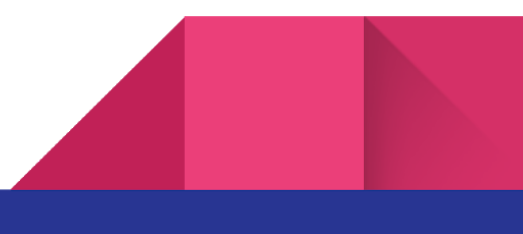
Ms. Gundle:

Hello everyone!

Here's what is upcoming in science next week!

Chemistry: We have a quiz on electron configuration and orbital theory on Monday before talking further about orbital shapes and the rules of the periodic table.

Earth and Environmental Science: We will have a quiz on Monday on the lithosphere, mainly focused on earthquakes and volcanoes. We will then dive into renewable versus non-renewable resources.



Biology: We have a quiz on Monday that will briefly touch on Biomolecules, but mainly focus on the cell organelles. We will then start to touch on two main processes of the cell, photosynthesis and cellular respiration.

Coach Searcy:

High school PE:

This week in PE, we will (hopefully) finally make it out on to the soccer field. We plan on starting on our flag football unit. We will first discuss the safety concerns with the game, then learn the different skills associated with flag football. Students will practice different pass patterns and running plays and learn how to properly pull the flag of a runner.

Coach Snethen:

Next week we will finish up our soccer unit with full size games. We will introduce the fundamentals and rules of flag football and progress to small size games by the end of the week.

Coach Parke:

Beginning Monday, March 5th, LLCA will be participating in our annual Jump Rope/Hoops for Heart program. Information will be given to interested students during their Physical Education classes. The program will run from March 5 - March 23. Interested? Contact Coaches Parke, Bailey or Snethen.

Our LLCA Raptor 5K is coming soon! April 28 is the date for the race. To sign up, follow this link:
<https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/LakeLure/LakeLureCARaptor5K>



Ms. Miller:**Counselors Corner**

This month in guidance we are focusing on empathy.

Watch this video with your youngsters as a conversation starter about what it means to have empathy.

https://youtu.be/9_1Rt1R4xbM

I'm also excited to share I will be in the Flat Rock Playhouse production of Seussical the Musical, opening this weekend, this is fun show with cast of very talented kids. For more information

<http://www.flatrockplayhouse.org/show/seussical-the-musical/>

NHS

Our National Honors Society is collecting baked good donations for their Relay for Life bake sale!

Items needed include:

Plain donuts

Vanilla cupcakes

Chocolate cupcakes

Sugar cookies

Chocolate chip cookies

Goods will be collected on 3/19, sale dates are 3/20 and 3/22.

Please contact Naomi White at naomi.white20@student.llca.school to sign up! Thank you for supporting NHS and Relay for Life!

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