

LUTHER BURBANK MIDDLE SCHOOL

BURBANK BULLETIN

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have quite a bit to look forward to this week. Our boys and girls basketball teams will play home games on both Tuesday and Thursday. If you are able, please come join us as we cheer on both teams. It's always great to see our bleachers filled with fans!

On Friday, we will host visits from outside presenters in both 6th and 7th grade, respectively. Lancaster PTO Cultural Enrichment will sponsor a visit from the Museum of Fine Arts Outreach program for our 6th grade students. The Outreach program will introduce students to the Art of Ancient Egypt through their traveling museum collection. Students will explore Ancient Egyptian ethos by examining depictions of pharaohs and other artifacts and objects of daily life. The program will further encourage students to look closely, make observations, and draw conclusions based on the visual evidence that make up the collection.

In 7th grade, Tom White, Coordinator of Educational Outreach from the Cohen Center for Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Keene State, will help students reflect upon the questions raised by the realities of the Holocaust as students culminate their study of Anne Frank in ELA. This will be an important discussion for our students and one we hope will deepen student understanding of the time period and the critical importance of being an upstander during times of conflict.

Our school is deeply grateful to the Lancaster PTO and the Lancaster Cultural Council for their continued support and financial assistance in support of programming to enrich and strengthen our students' experience.

Thank you Lancaster community!

Saura J. Friend

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 27 – Early Release Professional Development, 11:30 AM dismissal

February 6 – Spelling Bee (snow date, February 13)

February 8 – Lancaster PTO, 6:30 PM, MRE library

February 8 - Nashoba SEPAC, 7:00 PM, NRHS, Rm. 216

February 16 - LBMS School Council, 3:00 PM

February 20-24 – President's Day, February Vacation (no school)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Project 351 Day of Service

Last weekend, 8th grader Felipe Cerioni represented our school at the annual service and launch day for Project 351. The mission of Project of 351 is to unite diverse 8th grade service Ambassadors from every city and town in the Commonwealth for an inspirational year of community service, leadership development, and enrichment. Felipe worked with his fellow Ambassadors to provide service at local organizations, including Cradles to Crayons, the Greater Boston Food Bank, the Pine Street Inn, the Clarence R. Edwards Middle School, the Service Village Hub, the Y2Y Harvard Square Homeless Shelter, and Hope and Comfort. Read more in this Boston Globe article.

I know this work will be just the beginning for these students. A special thank you to Mrs. Hutton for serving as our Project 351 ambassador mentor, and an equally deep thank you to Felipe Cerioni, Burbank's own ambassador, for making all of us very, very proud...

LBMS Geography Bee

Congratulations to our three Geo Bee Finalists: Haley May (gr.8), Hayden McLaughlin (gr.7), and Bodie Aurin (gr.8). After multiple competitive rounds, Haley outpaced her fellow students by answering a variety of tough questions about U.S. and world geography and was crowned 2017 LBMS Champion. We wish Haley the best as she moves to the next phase of her geography journey which includes a qualifying test for the state Bee.

Lancer Basketball in Full Swing

With the second half of the season upon us, the Lady Lancers continue to develop as a basketball team and the girls' hard work has resulted in a good deal of success. Despite dropping its most recent game, at Hale, the team had enjoyed a five-game unbeaten streak. The boys' basketball team also played a hard fought game against an undefeated Stow team but fell short losing by 8 in a game that an opposing parent claimed to be the "best" team that Stow faced all season. Our Lancers continue to show improvement and toughness with a no quit attitude. The Lancers will play 2 homes games this week against Maynard and Clinton. Let's jam the gym with the loud support of Lancer fans for both the boys and girls teams as they continue their strong seasons. For the full Lancer schedule, please click here.

February NRSD Enrichment

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SCHOOL NURSES

The Nashoba Regional School District is seeking substitute nurses. We are looking for nurses to substitute on an as-needed basis in all of our schools for the 2016-17 school year and beyond. Orientation will be provided. Substitutes may choose to work at any of the schools in the district. A current Massachusetts RN license and CPR/FA certification is required. If interested, please contact Donna Linstrom, RN at 978-779-0539 x3039 or dlinstrom@nrsd.net.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK



Mr. Newton helping a 7th grade student as he navigates the world of online programming using Scratch during Innovation Lab.