

November 11, 2022



# Family Newsletter



This weekly publication is designed to keep you informed on upcoming events and important reminders.

## Important Dates

**Monday-Friday, November 14-18:** All School Student Council Food Drive

**Tuesday & Wednesday, November 15-16:** MCAS Math Retest

**Wednesday, November 16:** MCAS Math Retest

**Thursday, November 17:** Partners in Education (PIE) Meeting, 9:00-10:00 a.m. (virtual)

**Friday, November 18:** Middle School Drama Club Performance, 1:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, November 23:** Early Release, 11:00 a.m.

**Thursday, November 24:** NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Holiday

**Friday, November 25:** NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Holiday

**Monday, November 28:** NO SCHOOL - Professional Development

**Thursday, December 1:** Harry Potter vs Star Wars Day (High School)

**Friday, December 2:** Blue/Green Spirit Day

Thursday, December 15: Parent Advisory Group (PAG), 9:00-10:00 a.m. (virtual)

Friday, December 16: Winter Fair

## Announcements & Reminders

>>>[Weekly Lunch Menu](#)<<<

*On this Veteran's Day, Learning Prep School remembers with gratitude all of the individuals who serve our country with honor and bravery. We are inspired by their courage and sacrifice. Happy Veteran's Day to all!*

### Partners in Education Meeting - Thursday, November 17th

Please [join us](#) for our next Partners In Education (PIE) meeting on **Thursday, November 17 at 9:00-10:00 a.m.**

The day your child joins Learning Prep School, or the day that you became a member of the school staff, you become a member of PIE at LPS. PIE is an association that includes parents and staff of Learning Prep School.

PIE provides support for students, families, and teachers by providing a range of activities and events each year designed to bring the various constituencies of the school together to advance and to celebrate the LPS community. Fundraising is a significant part of PIE activities. With the funds raised through these activities, PIE supports various school initiatives to foster fun and a sense of community.

Participating and volunteering in PIE activities is a great way to make new friends, share experiences, and learn more about the extended school community. Keep an eye on the school calendar and Family Newsletter for upcoming meetings and events!

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86584613481>

### Student Council Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

Student Council's Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive is underway and will run through Friday, November 18. Each homeroom will get a Food Drive Box to collect non-perishable food items. ***The homeroom that collects the most food items will win a pizza party!*** We will have one winner from the High School and one from the Middle School. So, show school spirit and generosity during the holiday season!

We are partnering with the Natick Service Council and they have told us their highly needed items:

\*Tomato-based, vegetarian, Healthy Choice or low-sodium soups\*

\*Beef-based soups\*

\*Cereals and oatmeal\*

\*Crackers and snacks\*

\*Any baking items - flour, sugar, cake mixes, etc\*

\*Canned or jarred pasta sauces and or canned tomato products\*

\*Solid pack canned tuna/chicken\*

\*Pasta\*

Thank you for your generosity!

## Annual Student Winter Fair

LPS is excited to announce our Annual Student Winter Fair will be on Friday, December 16th during the school day! In order to make this a successful event, we are collecting donations. [Please see the attached flyer for more details.](#)

The Winter Fair is an event held in the gym for students where they have the opportunity to play games and/or purchase items for themselves or family members for the holidays. The items that are donated will be sold at a large white elephant table for students to buy, with prices ranging from \$0.50 to \$3.00.

### Snack Bar

The OT department opened the student-run Snack Bar, beginning this week! Students can buy snacks once a week during their regular lunch period for \$0.75. Limit of 2 snacks per student. Snacks are made by OT/Work Center students.

All proceeds benefit students' job and life skills development. All snacks are nut-free. Current available snacks include: trail mix, granola bars, muddy buddies, cookies, chocolate covered pretzels, and mini muffins.

Any questions, please reach out to Mandy Nardone at [anardone@learningprep.org](mailto:anardone@learningprep.org)

### 2022-2023 School Year Calendar

The full [2022-2023 School Year Calendar](#) is available [here](#).

### Get Involved

The next Parent Advisory Group (PAG) meeting is: **Thursday, December 15 from 9:00-10:00 a.m.**

To join, [click here for the zoom link](#)

Please [click here](#) for the minutes from last week's PAG meeting.

### Family Directory

Is available via DIRECTORYSPOT. To access:

-Download DirectorySpot from the app store.

-Enter your email address as the username.

-Click RESET PASSWORD

### Know someone who would benefit from LPS?

If you know someone who may be looking for a place like LPS, please encourage them to attend one of our weekly, Virtual Information Sessions - encourage them to reach out to [Pat Pingeton!](#)

### School Store

Here's a great way to show your Panther Pride!

Check out [The School Store](#) today!



### Parent Facebook Group

To foster connections among our current LPS families we have created a private Facebook group just for you called:

**LPS Panther Parents & Families Group.**

[Click this link to join!](#)

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