

# Lehighton Elementary Circular

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To keep our school safe, any adult entering the building must provide a government issued ID to the secretary. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students and staff safe!

## Principals' Piece

Spring is upon us and we are excited to have begun the final marking period of the 2022–2023 school year. We encourage everyone to finish the year strong and make this final marking period the best. We wish everyone a healthy and safe Spring Holiday starting on Wednesday April 5th when we dismiss at 1:05 PM. We will return back from break on Tuesday, April 11th.

Mr. Sebelin and Dr. McGalla

TIME FOR A  
BREAK

IMPORTANT!

The PSSA tests will be done on the mornings of April 24,25,26, and May 1,2,3,4. Parents-please try to avoid trips and appointments on these mornings.

TIPS

Some helpful tips for home:

- Get at least 8 hours of sleep to feel well rested and focused.
- Eat a healthy breakfast to fuel your body with energy.
- Get outside after school to get fresh air.
- Practice breathing to help keep a calm body.
- Remember to always try your best!



DO YOUR  
Best



# Staff Shout Out



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Ms. Lindh

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Meet our "INCREDIBLE" encore staff! (From left to right)

Mrs. Farnsworth, Mrs. Kulpa, Mrs. Rex, Mr. Ellis, Mrs. Scholl, Ms. Brownmiller, Miss Calhoun, Miss Messenger

## Counselors Corner

Students in grades K-2 have been reviewing school wide expectations within transitions throughout the building. On the 3-5 side we have been working on learning study skills and how to handle test anxiety. Each class made a poster with Ms. Lindh with tips to use which will hang in their classroom for the remainder of the year.

The PSSA's are for grades 3rd-5th in the mornings:

ELA- April 24, 25, 26

Math- May 1, 2

Science-(grade 4 only) May 3, 4

Please avoid appointments and trips on these mornings if possible. Please help them to get a good night's sleep and breakfast. Encourage your child to do their best! Attendance is so important so please make this a priority.

## Health Room News

Spring is upon us! With that comes some helpful things to remember:

Tick's love warm weather! With more outside activities happening, please check for ticks often. A good habit is to check during daily bath time.

Warm weather means sun burn. Please apply sunscreen at home on the days your child has outside events.

Mrs. Haydt, nurse  
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610-377-7880 ext. 4148





# Annual Book Swap



**When:** Thursday, April 20th, 2023

**Where:** LEC gym

**What:** A chance to recycle gently used books for some "new to you" books!



Books can be sent in to school beginning April 3rd or just bring books the night of the event.

Come get your picture taken with some favorite story characters and enjoy some read alouds throughout the night!



Meet our  
district  
occupational  
therapists!



(Left) Mr. Tom, driver of bus 17, celebrated Read Across America with his students by holding a crazy hat day competition. Winners (bottom photo) received a gift card to Chantilly Goods in Weissport.

Mrs. Andrews



Mrs. Hoffman



# LEC Monthly Calendar

Lehigh Area School District [www.lehighton.org](http://www.lehighton.org) Click for [Parent Portal](#) or enter <https://powerschool.lehighton.org/public/home.html>  
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## Lehigh Area Elementary Center

April 2023

## 4 Day Schedule

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PSSA Dates: Math (3rd, 4th, 5th): May 1-2 Science (4th): May 3-4 EC/MS Band Concert: May 10 PTO Race for Brilliance: May 19 (rain date May 18) Memorial Day Holiday: May 29 - School Closed 5th Gr. Moving Up Ceremony: May 31						1
2	3 - Day 1 <b>Motivational Monday</b> PTO Easter Egg Hunt PTO Event Plan. Mtg. 6-8	4 - Day 2 <b>LAST</b> Good News Club Egg Hunt rain date 5th Gr. Moving Up Plan. Mtg. 6-8	5 - Day 3 <b>Early Dismissal</b> 1:05 PM	6 - School Closed Spring Break	7 - School Closed Spring Break	8
 9	10 - School Closed Spring Break	11 - Day 4 PTO Mtg. 6:30 PM <b>PTO Race</b> Mtg./Acct. 5:30 PM School Board Workshop 7 PM	12 - Day 1 3rd Grade Field Trip PTO Event Plan. Mtg. 6-8 PM	13 - Day 2 Science Explorers	14 - Day 3 <b>PTO Miss &amp; Mister Dance</b> 6-8 PM	15
16	17 - Day 4 <b>Motivational Monday</b>	18 - Day 1 5th gr. Moving Up Plan. Mtg. 6-8 PM	19 - Day 2 3rd gr Earth Day Field Trip (rain date)	20 - Day 3 3rd Gr. Earth Day Field Trip <b>Science Explorers</b> Book Swap & Title I Night 5:30-7:30 PM	21 - Day 4 "Manners Manor" Assembly (K-3)	 22
23 / 30	24 - Day 1 ELA PSSA (3, 4, 5) School Board Mtg. 7 PM	25 - Day 2 ELA PSSA (3, 4, 5) <b>SOM</b>	26 - Day 3 <b>Administrative Assistant Day</b> 2nd Gr Field Trip (Zehner, Zerbe, Shaker, Boyle) ELA PSSA (3, 4, 5)	27 - Day 4 2nd Gr Field Trip (Barilla, C. Hoppes, Zarelli) Science Explorers	28 - Day 1	29 Health, Wellness, & Safety Event & 5k 9 am - 1 pm 5k registration 8-9

Primary (Pre-K - 2nd grades) Principal: Mr. Aaron Sebelin

Intermediate (3rd - 5th grades) Principal: Dr. Mark McGalla



## Meet the SAP Team!



We would like all parents to be aware of our SAP team which stands for student assistance program. It is a team of staff available to help kids with a variety of problems. This team exists nationwide in most school buildings. It is a confidential program that is dedicated to helping provide support and resources to students and families. The team consists of both school counselors, both principals, Mrs. Melissa Haydt, school nurse, Mr. Joe Zarelli, speech therapist, Mrs. Denise Gerber, grade 4 teacher, and Mrs. Lauren Cortright, special education teacher.

If you know a child, including your own, who seems to be declining physically, emotionally or academically, please complete a [SAP Referral](#) by clicking the link or find it on our [LEC website](#). We are here for you!

## Nutrition News

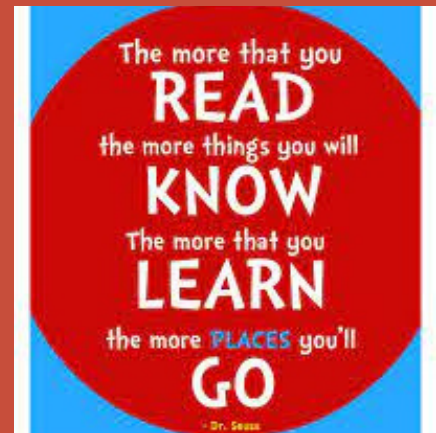


Please continue to check your child's lunch account for an updated balance. If you have any questions or concerns about breakfast or lunch, please contact our lunch staff at [kkoehler@lehighton.org](mailto:kkoehler@lehighton.org).



**Below:**

Celebrating, kindness, St. Patrick's Day, 5th grade tutoring kindergarten, reading to other classes and "Music in our School" month!



**Above:**

Celebrating Dr. Seuss and Read Across America!



# PTO News



Please continue to check the monthly school calendar for important meeting and event dates.

The school store fundraiser is up and running. Please share with friends and family to help your child's classroom as well as the PTO.

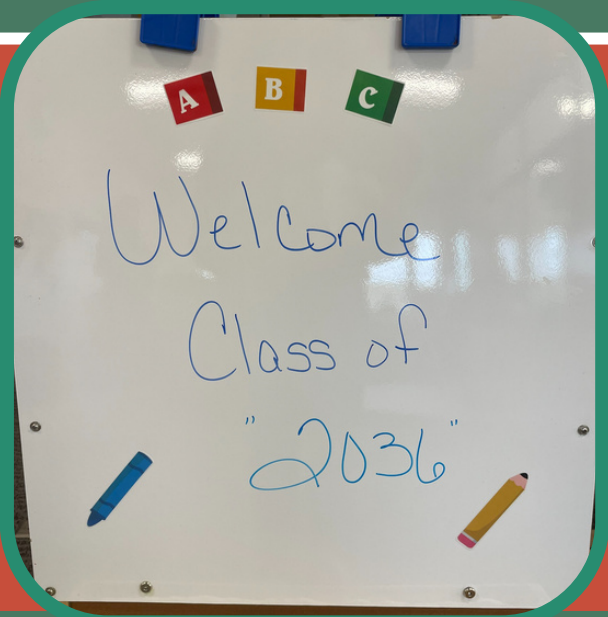
Join our Facebook page (Lehighton Elementary Center PTO) for the most up to date announcements!



Clearances must be updated at central admin. All volunteers must bring a valid driver's license to every event.

Kindergarten

Registration began for our future Indians! We are excited to welcome them to our tribe in the Fall!



You're off to GREAT PLACES!  
Today is YOUR DAY!  
Your mountain IS WAITING  
So...get on YOUR WAY!  
-Dr. Seuss-



Mrs. Sassaman



Mr. Zarelli



Mrs. Schoener

Meet our district Speech and Language therapists!

## Important Links

[Elementary Center Website](#)

[PowerSchool](#)

[Excuse Blanks](#)

[Free/Reduced Lunch Application](#)

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