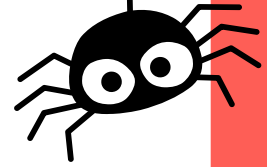




LGPS CARDINAL CONNECTION

Sunday, October 27, 2024



Principal Message

Cardinal Families,

We have an exciting week ahead at LGPS! On Monday, our first graders in Ms. Gallagher, Ms. Barnes, and Ms. Sossaman's class will enjoy a field trip to Graves Mountain. Tuesday is Picture Retake Day—see below for more information and a link to order picture retakes. By Wednesday interested families, please submit Smile Time Dental Forms. Dental forms went home with students this past week. Call nurse Sam with any questions. Please join us for Dine & Donate at Bella Cucina from 5:00 to 9:00 PM that evening. Finally, our kindergarteners have a field trip on Friday to the OCPS Safety Building. Be present & be proud by making it to school each day!

-Mr. Finger

Home Resources

Learning begins and ends with our children's first and most important teacher; their family.

Reading

Fun with Letter Sounds at Home

Turn everyday moments into learning opportunities by playing "Letter Sound Scavenger Hunt" with your child. Pick a letter of the alphabet and have your child find items around the house that start with that letter's sound. For example, if you choose the letter "S," they might find a sock, spoon, or soap. This engaging activity enhances letter recognition and phonics skills while making reading fun and interactive for the whole family!

Math

Making Numbers Count at Home

Boost your child's number sense by counting everyday items—like steps, snacks, or toys—as you go about your day. Making counting fun and frequent helps them understand and enjoy numbers more!

Picture Retake Day

Tuesday, October 29

Scroll down for more details and access to important links related to picture retakes. Picture orders and proof packs were sent home with students this past Friday.

- 10/28 - 11/1 - LGPS Spooktacular Spirit Week
- 10/28 - First Grade Field Trip for Gallagher, Barnes, Sossaman
- 10/29 - Picture Retake Day
- 10/30 - LGPS Smile Time Dental Forms Due
- 10/30 - 5:00 - 9:00 PTA Dine & Donate at Bella Cucina Mexican & Italian
- 10/31 - PTA Boo Gram Delivery
- 11/1 - Kindergarten Field Trip to OCPS Safety Building
- 11/5 - Student Holiday & Teacher Professional Development Day - Election Day
- 11/6 - 5:00 - 8:00 PTA Dine & Donate at Rita's Italian Ice in Locust Grove



LGPS Spirit Week the final week of Oct

LGPS is SPOOKTACULAR!

OCTOBER 28-NOVEMBER 1

MAGICAL MONDAY

DRESS LIKE A WITCH, WIZARD, OR MAGICAL CREATURE OF YOUR CHOICE!

"TOES"TY TUESDAY

WEAR YOUR FAVORITE COZY SOCKS AND FLANNEL!

WORKOUT WEDNESDAY

DRESS IN YOUR FAVORITE WORKOUT GEAR!

TALE THURSDAY

DRESS LIKE A BOOK CHARACTER DAY!

NO MASKS OR WEAPONS!

FUZZY FRIDAY

WEAR YOUR FAVORITE PJS!

Wednesday is our next Dine & Donate

School Spirit
Tastes Better
with

BELLA CUCINA OF THE LAKE

ORANGE YOU GLAD IT'S FALL?

Wednesday
October 30th
5:00 - 9:00 PM



DINE & DONATE
Sponsored by
LGPS PTA

JOIN US FOR ITALIAN
(Dine-in or takeout)

4444 Germanna Hwy
Locust Grove, VA
22508

15% of all sales will be
donated to LGPS PTA



El espíritu escolar sabe mejor con

BELLA COCINA DEL LAGO

NARANJA ¿TE ALEGRA QUE SEA OTOÑO?

Miércoles
30 de octubre
17:00 - 21:00 horas



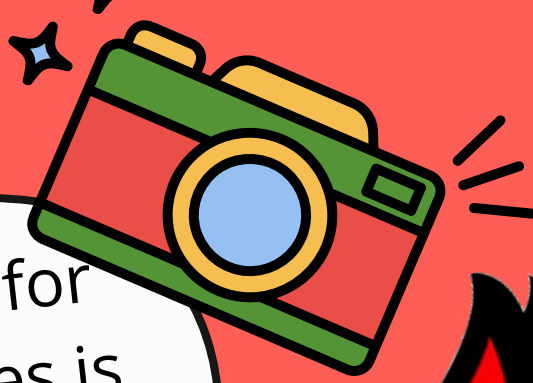
CENAR Y DONAR
Patrocinado por la
PTA de LGPS

UNASE A NOSOTROS
PARA APRENDER
ITALIANO
(Para comer en el
lugar o para llevar)

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El 15% de todas las ventas se
donara a LGPS PTA

Your chance for
picture retakes is
coming up!
October 29th



ABSENTEE & RETAKE PICTURE DAY



**BACKGROUNDS MAY VARY
- MORE CHOICES ONLINE!**

RETAKE:

For a no charge
retake, return the
entire package to
the photographer
on retake day.

ABSENTEE:

Please Order Now!



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Build Your Own

You can select
multiple backgrounds
& build your package.

**MUST PURCHASE ONLINE TO
SELECT MULTIPLE BACKGROUNDS!**

LOCUST GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Absentee/Retake Picture Day is

October 29, 2024

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order code for online purchases
(password expires 24 hrs. after picture day)

CLICK TO ORDER



THIS IS A PREPAY EVENT. PAYMENT IS DUE ON PICTURE DAY. *Este es un evento prepagado. Pago se debe entregar el dia de las fotos.*

BARKSDALE SCHOOL PORTRAITS | WWW.BARKSDALEPHOTO.COM
PICTURES WITH CLASS by Barksdale | WWW.PICTURESWITHCLASS.COM

QUESTIONS? 1.800.220.7667

Unsure? Call the LGPS school nurse

540-661-4420 x 4010



SEE YOU IN CLASS

- Runny nose or a mild cough but no other symptoms
- Temperature below 100.4 and no fever reducing medicine in the last 24 hours
- No throwing up or diarrhea in the last 24 hours

BEST TO STAY HOME

- Fever of 100.4 or higher in the last 24 hours, with or without fever reducing medicine
- Persistent Cough
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Instructions from a doctor to isolate from others

Heading to school! What should I know?

- By coming to school every day they're not sick, your child is:
- Building positive habits and a solid foundation for success
- Staying engaged in learning and on track for graduation
- Gaining valuable social skills
- Less likely to feel stressed and anxious
- Supporting the success of all

My Child is staying home. What should I do next?

- Notify the school by phone or email at 540-661-4415 lindahopkins@ocss-va.org
- If possible let us know before 9:30am on the day of the absence
- Repeat this checklist every morning.
- We hope to see your student in class soon!!

Please use this guidance to help you decide if we should see you in class or if your child should stay home.

We want you to get better when needed but need you in school as often as possible.



¿No estás seguro? Llama a las enfermeras de la escuela.
540-661-4420 x 4010



TE VEO EN CLASES

- Secreción nasal o tos leve pero sin otros síntomas
- Temperatura inferior a 100,4 y sin medicamentos para reducir la fiebre en las últimas 24 horas.
- Sin vómitos ni diarrea en las últimas 24 horas.

¿De camino a la escuela!
¿Qué debo saber?

Al venir a la escuela todos los días y no estar enfermo, su hijo:

- Desarrollar hábitos positivos y una base sólida para el éxito
- Mantenerse comprometido con el aprendizaje y encaminado hacia la graduación
- Adquirir valiosas habilidades sociales
- Es menos probable que se sienta estresado y ansioso.
- Apoyando el éxito de todos los estudiantes

LO MEJOR ES QUEDARSE EN CASA

- Fiebre de 100.4 o más en las últimas 24 horas, con o sin medicamento para reducir la fiebre.
- Tos persistente
- Vómitos o diarrea
- Instrucciones de un médico para aislarse de los demás.

Mi hijo se queda en casa.
¿Qué debería hacer después?

- Notifique a la escuela por teléfono o correo electrónico al 540-661-4415 lindahopkins@ocss-va.org
- Si es posible, avísenos antes de las 9:30 a. m. del día de la ausencia.

Repita esta lista de verificación todas las mañanas.

¡Esperamos ver a su estudiante en clase pronto!



Help Your Child Succeed in School: Build the Habit of Good Attendance Early

DID YOU KNOW?

- Starting in preschool and kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Missing 10%, or about 2 days each month over the course of a school year, can make it harder to learn to read.
- Students can still fall behind if they miss just one or two days every few weeks.
- Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.
- Absences and tardiness can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Eventually good attendance will be a skill that will help them succeed in high school and college.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Keep your child healthy and make sure your child has the required shots.
- Introduce your children to their teachers and classmates before school starts.
- Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.
- Try to schedule non-urgent related medical appointments and extended trips when school isn't in session.
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors and other parents for advice on how to make your child feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- If you are concerned that your child may have a contagious illness, call your school or health care provider for advice.
- If your child must stay home due to illness, ask the teacher for resources and ideas to continue learning at home.

When Do Absences Become a Problem?



Note: These numbers assume a 180-day school year.



Ayude a su niño a tener éxito en la escuela: desarrolle el hábito de la buena asistencia escolar desde los primeros años

¿SABÍA USTED?

- A partir de preescolar y kínder, demasiadas ausencias pueden hacer que los niños se retrasen en la escuela.
- Faltar un 10%, o aproximadamente 2 días al mes durante el transcurso de un año escolar, puede dificultar el aprendizaje de la lectura.
- Los estudiantes aún pueden quedarse atrás si faltan solo uno o dos días cada pocas semanas.
- Llegar tarde a la escuela puede provocar una baja asistencia escolar.
- Las ausencias y tardanzas pueden afectar a toda el aula si el docente tiene que retrasar el aprendizaje para ayudar a los niños a ponerse al día.

Asistir a la escuela con regularidad ayuda a los niños a sentirse mejor con la escuela y con ellos mismos. Comience a desarrollar este hábito en el preescolar para que aprendan de inmediato que es importante ir a la escuela a tiempo, todos los días. Con el tiempo, la buena asistencia escolar será una habilidad que les ayudará a tener éxito en la escuela secundaria y la universidad.

LO QUE PUEDE HACER

- Establezca una rutina regular para la hora de dormir y una rutina matutina.
- Elija y disponga la ropa y empaque las mochilas la noche anterior.
- Mantenga a su niño saludable y asegúrese de que haya recibido las vacunas necesarias.
- Presente a su niño a sus docentes y compañeros de clase antes de que comience la escuela.
- Desarrolle planes de contingencia para llegar a la escuela si surge algo. Llame a un familiar, vecino u otro padre.
- Trate de programar las citas médicas y los viajes largos para cuando no haya clases en la escuela.
- Si su niño parece tener ansiedad por ir a la escuela, hable con los docentes, los consejeros escolares y otros padres para que le aconsejen cómo hacer que su niño se sienta cómodo y emocionado por el aprendizaje.
- Si le preocupa que su hijo pueda tener una enfermedad contagiosa, pida consejo a su escuela o proveedor de atención médica.
- Si su niño debe quedarse en casa debido a una enfermedad, pídale a los docentes recursos didácticos e ideas para seguir aprendiendo en casa.

¿Cuándo se convierten las ausencias en un problema?



Nota: Estos números se basan en un año escolar de 180 días.

SAFETY FIRST

Be Responsible

- **On-time**
 - Please be at the bus stop at least 5 minutes before your scheduled pickup time
 - We can only pick up students who are physically at the bus stop
 - If you are not at the bus stop, we will not wait for you
 - Be sure to have all of your items with you
 - Please be sure you are visible to the driver
- **Save Snacks for Later**
 - Please refrain from chewing gum and eating food on the bus
 - With the exception of water, please refrain from consuming drinks on the bus
- **Keep the Bus Clean**
 - Keeping our buses clean is a high priority
 - Please pick up trash and place it in the trash can in the front of the bus

Use Respect

- **To the driver, attendant, and other students**
 - Follow directions given by the driver and bus attendant
 - Ask questions if you do not understand directions
 - Be considerate of the other students when sharing space
 - Keep your belongings in your space
- **Use kind words**
 - Use appropriate language
 - Use your words to solve problems
 - Use please and thank you
 - Give compliments when possible
 - Use a positive attitude when talking with others
- **Use headphones with electronic devices**
 - Keep your personal devices to yourself
 - Please refrain from sharing photo and video memories on the bus

Stay Safe

- **Stay in your seat**
 - Sit in your assigned seat assigned by the driver
 - Switching seats is not allowed
 - No standing up while the bus is moving
 - Sit seat-to-seat and back-to-back
- **Use inside voice**
 - Refrain from screaming and yelling
 - Talk to the people next to you
- **Respect other riders' personal space**
 - Throwing objects on a bus is not allowed
 - Keep hands and feet to yourself
 - Touching other students or their property is not allowed
- **Support safe driving**
 - Keep the aisle clear
 - Distracting the driver is not safe

