

January 2026

Roaming the Halls at Leptondale

Principal Mr. Scott Brown

Intervention Specialist Mr. Stephen Cabarcas



Dates to Remember

- 1/5 – School Re-Opens
- 1/7 – PTO Meeting 7:00pm
- 1/12 – Spelling Bee Rehearsal
2:15 - 3:50pm at JGBMS
- 1/13 – *Spelling Bee Rehearsal Snow Date
Date (if necessary)
2:15 – 3:50pm at JGBMS*
- 1/14 – Spelling Bee 10:00am @ JGBMS
- 1/15 – District Play-a-Thon 6:30pm
@ OES
- 1/16 – *Spelling Bee Snow Date
(if necessary) 10:00am @ JGBMS*
- 1/19 – School's Closed for Holiday
- 1/21 – Board of Education Meeting
7:00pm at PES
- 1/22 – District Play-a-Thon Snow Date
(if necessary) 6:30pm at OES
- 1/23 – End of the 2nd Quarter
- 1/27 – Elementary Honors Band and
Orchestra Concert 7:00pm at
WHS
- 1/29 - Elementary Honors Band and
Orchestra Concert Snow
Date (if necessary) 7:00pm at
WHS

The Low Down with Mr. Brown

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

We are excited to begin the second half of the school year, and our students are moving and grooving! We're also thrilled to announce that Kindergarten registration will take place on January 13th and 14th. It's wonderful to know that more budding Leptondale Superstars are ready to join our school family! As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at any time. Working together, we can achieve so much for our students.

With the colder weather upon us, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor activities. We try to get students outside as much as possible, so hats, gloves, and jackets are essential.

Thank you for your continued support, and let's make the rest of this school year amazing!

~ Mr. Brown

★ All Star Moments with Cabarcas ★



Wow, January is here and we couldn't be more thrilled for things to come in 2026. Our holiday pep rally was filled with fun, laughs, and some beards getting trimmed! Thank you once again to Mr. Andrews, Mr. Brown, Mr. Cabarcas, Mr. McCartney, Mr. Miller, and Mr. Nafey for participating in our "Beards for Bucks" fundraiser. The spirits were surely overflowing all week long with creative festive wear. It's the best time in an elementary school. We are looking forward to an amazing 2026 in Leptondale filled with more learning, enthusiasm, positivity, and excitement throughout the building!

The PAWS-itive Student Trait for January is friendly. These students can be described as someone who is kind, caring, and makes others feel comfortable.

December PBIS PAWS-itive Students of the Month

Ayva Bloomer, Brody Borle, Ikerme Carrasco Carias, Emelia Cella, Mia Cobb, Karlee Cornell, Jack Cramer, Nicholas DellaPorta. Norah Donohue, Audrey Ferraiolo, Isla Foose, Abigail Hicks, Nico Imbasciani, Gianna Kelly, Avery Kimler, Emma Kopaskie, Isabella Kratochwil, Kinsley Lehmann, Easton Logiudice, Sophia Marmolejos, Lucas Martire, Briella McGann, Leah Melfi, Leo Montanez, Arianna Morell, Mason Moshier, Yalfre Mota Baez, Emily Palen, Abbigayle Redner, Natalie Reppert, Owen Reppert, Austin Solis, Logan Soper and Evan Trotta

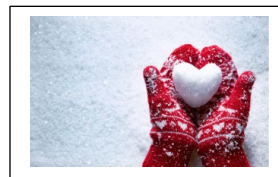
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
				Winter Break	Winter Break	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	F	A	B	C	D	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	E	F	A	B	C	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	School's Closed for Holiday	D	E	F	A	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	B	C	D	E	F	

Austin's Helpful Healthy Hints

Happy New Year! I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and time off from school. As we enter the new year, try to develop a healthy habit or two that you and your family can do together that you haven't done before. Some ideas are reading, trying different foods, limiting screen time, and finding ways to exercise safely during the cold months. As a reminder, please send me your child's most recent physical if you have not done so already.

~Mrs. Austin



The Book Nook

The Mitten

Adapted and illustrated by: Jan Brett



The Mitten is one of Jan Brett's stand-alone children's books that's based on a Ukrainian folk tale. It tells the story of a young boy named Nicki who begs his Baba for a pair of white mittens. She warns that if he loses one in the snow it will be difficult to find, but he's insistent that they must be white. He gets his new mittens, then he goes out to play and drops one. All the woodland animals come to investigate the lost mitten. One animal after another decides that this mitten will make the coziest home, until you read on to find out what happens at the very end of the tale!