

WOLF NEWS

Liberty Pines Academy

Message from Mrs. Hemingway

Liberty Pines Academy Families,

- In a continuing effort to provide safety and security to our students and staff we ask that you complete a School Access Form if you plan to enter a facility in the St. Johns County School District. This includes if you would like to participate in activities such as classroom celebrations, field trips, book fairs, field days, parent/teacher conferences, etc. Please make sure you complete the school access form online at <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/>. It is important that each member of the family (parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc.) complete this access form online prior to requesting access into the school. The approval process takes about 2-4 weeks to process.
- **8th Grade Washington DC Trip** – Last call for the 8th grade only Washington DC Trip. If you have not registered your student, we have moved the deadline to October 18, 2019. For more information about the trip, please contact Dana Pupke at 904-547-7909 or dana.pupke@stjohns.k12.fl.us.
- **Kindness at LPA** – Thank you to Mrs. Herkel and other teachers at LPA that asked students to create cards and letters of encouragement for the victims of Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas. Mrs. Risley, our elementary music teacher has a friend that teaches in the Bahamas. She stressed the need of words of encouragement for her students. Our LPA students created cards and letters to send their way. Way to go Wolves!



Your Learning Leader,

Mrs. Hemingway



WOLVES

UPCOMING DATES

- Rainell Luce
- 10/1 – Bravoz Pass Sale
- 10/10 – PTO meeting @10 a.m.
- 10/14- Regular School Day
- 10/15 – Mack Tenders Spirit Night
- 10/18- PTO Outdoor Movie Night @6 p.m., Toy Story 4
- 10/24- Middle School Battle of the Books test @8:10 a.m.
6th Grade Dance @3 p.m.
7th and 8th Grade Dance @ 5 p.m.
- 10/28 – School Spelling Bee
- 10/29- 1st Quarter Report Cards Due
- 11/1- Student Picture Day Retakes
- 11/4 – Boosterthon Pep Rally
- 11/5- 3rd,4th,and 5th grade Battle of the Books Test @8:10 a.m.
- 11/8- Liberty Parade @9 a.m.
- 11/11- No school, Veterans Day
- 11/12- SAC meeting @4 p.m.
- 11/14- PTO meeting @6 p.m.
- 11/15- 2nd Quarter Interims due
Boosterthon Fun Run @8:30 a.m.
- 11/16- LPA Night at the Iceman Game
“Marvel Theme”

Dads Take Your Child To School Day

- Abby Cowling and Lilly DeLamielleure

Wednesday, September 25, 2019 marked the 5th Annual “Dad Take Your Child to School Day”. On this day, fathers and male role model figures walked their daughters and sons to their classes. Students at LPA got to show their fathers to their classrooms, and guide them, much like their fathers mentor them. The dads and their kids are all fond of this event. One second grade student said, “I liked him coming to school with me, because he is way fun, and I like seeing him in the place I always am.” A bond between a father and a child is a very important role in a student’s academic success. Having a good relationship and involvement can really change the effect on a student’s mindset.

Many fathers that attended this event were first responders or serving for our country. Sacrificing for others, and protecting our country can get in the way of being there for every event for your child. This event was very significant to many children who got to spend more time with their fathers and role models. The same goes for fathers who value all time spent with their children. A child and father together is one of the most powerful bonds you will ever encounter. This day was very special and connected children and fathers to the great education at LPA!



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LPA Penny Wars

- Gabi Turner and Brooke Barnett

The PTO’s “LPA Penny Wars” was a success. In elementary grades, 5th grade won with \$987.71. In middle grades, 8th grade raised over \$200, but had a positive amount of \$16.65 while 6th and 7th grade finished with a negative amount. Overall, we raised around \$5,000 for the school. Each grade had a corresponding jar, and students were asked to bring in pennies and bills to increase their grade’s total amount. The students could bring in silver coins, but in the middle school contest, they counted as a deduction. The students that would bring in silver coins would put them in another grade’s jar to count those coins against them. Since 5th and 8th grades won, they will soon receive a “frozen treat party” in the cafeteria which consists of shaved ice and a chance to hang out with friends. To all that donated, thank you for helping our school!



LPA DRAMA CORNER

- Gabi Turner

What's New?



“A Charlie Brown Christmas” cast has been chosen! The cast includes: **Cameron Ward, Hayley Taber, Harper Willim, Memphis Gearhart, Johnny Burkes, Avery Willim, Michael Broerman, Abbey Gallant, Natalie Bachman, Julia Le, Jaylan Bogle, Megan Marinelli, Gabi Turner, Leighton Clute, Mia Bartola, Aidan Devereux, Emma Colca, Charlotte Gilbert, Brianna Peterson, and Anika Reisman.** Rehearsals started on September 24th. The backstage crew has not yet been chosen, but **Daphne Broerman** is the selected stage manager. Mrs. Herkel thinks the biggest challenge will be living up to the expectation of the characters, since the “Charlie Brown” series is so well known. All of the cast members seem confident, passionate, and ready to begin the journey!

- Advanced Drama is currently writing their own plays based on famous playwrights.
- Technical Theatre is doing a project on copyright
- 7th grade drama is doing a unit on personal resources

Tips from Mrs. Herkel

Mrs. Herkel says that the best way to practice acting skills outside of school is to “immerse yourself in acting.” She said that watching movies, TV shows, or videos on YouTube can teach you acting principles by watching professionals do it. She says another fun way to improve your acting skills is to participate in outside acting opportunities.

MORE WOLF NEWS

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

- Gabi Turner

What is Odyssey of the Mind? - Odyssey of the Mind is a group for creative thinkers and problem solvers. There are 2 clubs for Odyssey- there's an elementary group and a middle school group.

Middle School

In the middle school group, there's a total of 13 kids and they split the kids into 2 groups. Some fun activities include verbal and non-verbal team building activities, like "idea bouncing". They also work on one long term problem and some spontaneous problems throughout the year. In competitions, they have one spontaneous term problem they have to solve. Mrs. Brigandi stated that to join Odyssey of the Mind, you must have the time, dedication, and the will to succeed.

Elementary School

In the elementary group, there are 53 kids separated into 8 groups. Like the middle school group, they also work on one long term problem and multiple spontaneous problems throughout the year. Unlike the middle school, the elementary group does not participate in competitions. Mrs. Scoggins said that to join, you must have good behavior, good teamwork skills, good communication skills, represent the pillars of character, and attend the meetings.



Media Matters September 2019

- Marissa Sims and Logan Weinstein

Does your child demonstrate a responsible, respectful, and ready to learn attitude? Do they enjoy reading? How about collaborating with friends in a competition against others? If he or she answered yes to two or more of these questions then they are just what we need for our **Battle of the Books** team! **Battle of the Books** is an interactive and educational experience where students read this year's **Sunshine State Books** (12 out of the 15 are required). Tryouts for the teams are on October 24th for the middle school team and on November 5th for the elementary team. These will both be held in the media center at 8:10.



The tryouts for the team will include a test on the 15 **Sunshine State Books** (these books should be read prior to taking the test). All 15 books are in our school's library, for check out. If your child makes the team he or she will participate in morning practices in the library and the battle. In past years, the battle has taken place in April or May; this year, however, the competition will be held during literacy week in January. For more information, go to <https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/battle-of-the-books/>

LPA will also be ordering **new books** soon, so don't forget to tell your student to come put his/her book suggestions into the suggestion box in the media center. Don't forget about the Follett Book Fair from December 2nd to the 6th. Stay well-read LPA!



National Junior Honor Society

- Maddie Rathjen and Macey Millard

The NJHS club has started up again. The new elected officers are Alan Li (President), Auston Hsieh (Vice- President), Sahasra Satvika (Secretary), Jay Dalvi (Treasurer), Kayla Varghese (Historian), and Harper Willim (Parliamentarian). Ms. Willim and Mrs. Delaney are the sponsors for NJHS this year. We are giving a very warm welcome to our new sponsor Mrs. Delaney! We are so happy to have them. We hope the NJHS year will be great. Their first club project is the National Junior Honor Society Pet Food Drive to support the Homeless Community. Please have your child drop off any pet food item to the front office, bus loop area, or car loop area the week of September 30 – October 4.

Running with the Wolves

- Maddie Rathjen and Macey Millard

The Cross Country Team is crushing their season! They had their first meet on September 14th and placed 5th out of 9 teams. Brayden Motycka finished first, Garrett Hudson was second, and Rohan Raman was third for the boys. Lucia Crusado finished first, Catherine Wade second, and Ashlyn Heck third for girls. The Wolves had a great day on the course! Here is the roster for the team:

Abstein, Barton	Moroz, Lydia
Bachman, Natalie	Motycka, Braden
Barnhart, Persephone	Quindara, Ahrwel
Bell, Hadley	Quinones, Eian
Clark, Reagan	Radecki, Ryder
Cox, Cohen	Raman, Rohan
Crews, Andrew	Redd, Chris
Cruzado, Lucia	Russo, Jake
Dalvi, Jay	Stodel, Joseph
Earnshaw, Caroline	Stodel, Sebastian
Green, Matthew	Thompson, Jack
Guzman, Layla	Thompson, Kennedy
Heck, Ashlyn	Wade, Catherine
Hendry, Tate	Walker, Ali
Hudson, Garrett	Webb, Avery
Iyengar, Jeevan	Yates, Connor
McDonnell, Natalie	
Millard, Macey	
Moroz, Eli	

Volleyball

- Riley O'Keefe and Rainell Luce

Volleyball is 90% heart, 10% skill, and 10% passion. Here at Liberty Pines Academy our volleyball teams always give 110%. So far this season the girls volleyball team has taken home 3 wins, out of 5 games. 8th grader Brianna Farkas comments on their latest win, "We are growing as a team with our serves, as well as receiving the ball." And it shows! Their most recent game against Valley Ridge Academy, was a smashing success. As for the boys team they have 1 win out of 5 games. Unfortunately they did not end up winning their Valley Ridge game, but Liberty Pines knows they did their best, because at Liberty Pines Academy we always give 110%.

SPORTS NEWS!!!

Football News

-Lexi Van Halter and Raelyn Cash



The football season is up and running. LPA currently has two wins and three losses. On August 28th, we lost against Swiss. It was very disappointing, but it was a very close game with a score of 6-8. The next week we had a scheduled game against Fruit Cove but unfortunately, it was cancelled because of the hurricane. Then on September 11th, we played Patriot Oaks and won with the score of 14 to 7. This was a great game and the team was very proud. We then lost the next week against Pacetti with a final score of 20-14. We fought a good fight but could not pull out the win. The most recent game we played against Landrum we lost 34-8. Hopefully we can only improve from that.

Even though we lost three games, the team is staying very happy, positive, and still working hard to improve. The team is like another family and they are always encouraging each other. According to Liam Padron, the mistakes that were made were more of a mental block than a physical challenge. According to Ryan Spencer the team needs to establish a passing game. The team has things to improve on but at least the players notice their mistakes and are willing to change to improve the game. Many players live by the quote, "Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard." They all want to be the best and now they have to have the right mindset to become the best.

A Kick into Middle School Soccer

- Maddie Rathjen and Macey Millard



The boys and girls team tryouts have ended and LPA has our new 2019-20 soccer teams. Sixteen girls and eighteen boys made the teams. The rosters are below:

Girls 2019-20 Team: Ella Burg, Hannah Burnett, Anna Coskey, Isabell Duenas, Caroline Earnshaw, Peyton Ebbecke, Sofia Espinosa, Ashlyn Heck, Reagan Heck, Alexa Luedke, Scarlett Luettich, Natalie McDonnell, Macey Millard, Aisley Riceman, Cameryn Richardson, and Madeline Riley.

Boys 2019-20 Team: Cohen Beebe, Julio Chaparro, Will Dudley, Brogan Early, Aaron Esteves, Stephan Fineran, Alex Kinchen, Chase Logan, Charles Luettich, Austin Mills, Braden Motycka, William Padron, Brendan Ricard, Matthew Sechrist, Pierson Smith, Santiago Suarez, Mason Willis, and Brock Wilson.

Congratulations to all of the boys and girls that made it!

We have new coaches as well for this season. The boys' coaches are Fabian Banchiero, Dennis Luettich, and Skip Smith. The girls coach is Teresa Castro. This is sure to be a good season!

NOTICE: The St. Johns Middle School Athletic Association ("SJMSSA") middle school sports program is not operated or sponsored by the St. Johns County School District. SJMSSA is an independent, private non-profit corporation, which uses District middle school names and facilities under a license agreement with the District, and which is solely responsible for the operation of the SJMSSA middle school sports program and its individual teams.

What else is new ...

Student of the Month

- Aidan Emmett and Izzy Humphreys

The Student of the Month of September is Brianna Motycka from Ms. Herrin's first grade class. Her favorite subject is math because she likes to add and subtract while using her fingers to help her. She also plays soccer. She enjoys dribbling and shooting but mostly likes offense. She has two older brothers, Braden and Bryce, and 3 pets 1 fish, 1 cat, and 1 hamster. Ms. Herrin says "she follows the 3 r's and is a good citizen in our class". She likes to play outside with her friends and play her IPad. Her favorite part about class is writing journals and her friend Yumo.



Military Collections

- Gabi Turner

It's that time of year! We're doing our annual Military Collections Fundraiser! Every year, we collect donations and letters for our troops overseas. This year, we have newly deployed service members as part of our LPA family. That includes Nurse Mayernik's husband and Mrs. Scoggins husband. We hope to positively impact our military forces.

Elementary Information

- Will be collecting letters and supplies from **October 8th to October 22nd**
- Deliver supplies to Mrs. Lynch in the clinic or Mrs. O'Shell in portable 13

Middle School Information

- Like elementary, the NJHS will be collecting supplies for military troops from **October 23rd to November 5th**
- Deliver supplies to Ms. Willim's room
- Middle school is specifically collecting clothing items and items similar to clothing.

*****If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. O'Shell at
Lauren.oshell@stjohns.k12.fl.us***

Relay For Life at LPA

- Raelyn Cash and Lexi Van Halter

Relay For Life is a national event which raises money for the American Cancer Society. This event brings together people of all communities to rally and fight against cancer, helping to improve the quality of life for cancer patients as well as their caretakers. This event is organized and carried out by volunteers.



Sabrina Rathjen, a parent volunteer, shared her personal experience with this event. She explained that her interest with Relay For Life began when she lost loved ones to cancer and this is her way of helping find a cure and to assist those going through chemotherapy. Mrs. Rathjen wants to show the importance of putting others before yourself and shedding light on the impact of cancer research. She further explained how the fundraisers help Relay For Life and the events which occur.

This year LPA has a 6th, 7th, and 8th grade team. If you would like to take part, or have any questions regarding Relay For Life, please contact Anne Jackson:

Jackson-3@Comcast.net. Hope you can join and be a part of this important team.

STEM CLUB



- Kyra Lagoutaris

STEM stands for science, technology, engineering, and math. STEM education provides students with hands-on experience in sequences that build upon each other and can be used with real-world applications. STEM education creates critical thinkers, increases science literacy, fosters collaboration and enables the next generation of innovators.

The main focus of STEM club will be preparing for the Science Olympiad, a STEM based competition that will take place in February 2020. The competition includes knowledge based exams, building events, and hands-on problem solving event. Only 15 students will be allowed to represent our school at the District competition on Feb. 15, 2020.

The club is open to students from 6th to 8th grade. Meetings will be held after school on Mondays from 3:00 to 4:00. The first meeting will be on Monday, September 30th. The meetings will be held in Ms. Johnson's room. Please note that only students on the list below are allowed to attend the meetings. (Source: Science Olympiad)

MORE WOLF NEWS

LPA Gains Directions

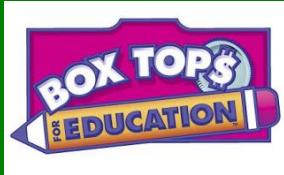
- Izzie Humphreys and Aidan Emmett

A new addition to our LPA hallways are labels. Mrs. Gilbes, LPA's Spanish teacher, created and hung these up because they would help kids and parents navigate around LPA. Mrs. Gilbes and Mrs. Hemmingway came up with this idea last year and now have completed this project. The process of making the labels included designing them, printing them on a professional cricut maker, and cutting out every number. Mrs. Herkel helped Mrs. Gilbes hang them up. These labels are sure to help everyone navigate around the school, so you are sure to never be lost.



Box Tops for LPA

Please remember to save your box tops and send them into school with the name of your teacher on the bag. Eventually, the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Some packaging has the new Box Top label. Download the app so you can scan your receipt! Every quarter the teacher with the most box tops from their class will win a prize. This is an easy way to earn money for our school!



Cultural Spotlight

- Brooke Barnett, Kyra Lagoutaris



Ernesto Espinosa is a student here who is from Cuba. Like most people from Cuba, he speaks Spanish. He couldn't think of any specialty foods but he did mention that people in Cuba make beef differently than how we do in the US. One celebration Cuban's have is a Quinceanera. A Quinceanera is a party for fifteen year old girls who are "coming of age". Ernesto does not have any family in Cuba anymore, but he used to when he lived there. He and his sister, Elisabeth, moved to the US. So both he and his sister were born in Cuba. Ernesto mentioned that he and his family basically only speak Spanish at home. Ernesto wouldn't mind going back to his home country in his future. Ernesto often misses Cuba since he's so fond of it.



Robotics

- Marissa Sims and Logan Weinstein

"My team this year is very creative, I couldn't have asked for better!" - Mrs. Swan, 8th grade science teacher and LPA robotics club leader. Mrs. Swan's team is also organized and moving fast! They almost have decided on a robot idea and everyone is excited to know more. The robot they make needs to be able to perform certain tasks and meet all the tough requirements. Beside the robot, they also must make a stable city that looks nice and is useful. "The whole thing is about making the world a better place" (Mrs. Swan) and working together as a team. Once our team is ready they will go to the competition. They will try to complete tasks within 2:30 minutes and get points for creativity and teamwork.

This year's team is made up of Edwin Lee (6th), Anshika Gupta (6th), Tharwn Dhahabou (7th), Christian Bradley (7th), Cheyenne Ingold-Cody (7th), Pranavi Magpa (7th), Shreya Kalrikkal (8th), Alan Li (8th), and William Loving (8th).



WOLVES WHO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AT LPA

New Teacher Spotlight

- Lilly DeLamielleure and Abby Cowling

Ms. Ward is a 4th grade teacher here at Liberty Pines. This is her 12th year teaching and she loves educating children. She went to the University of Evansville in Evansville, Indiana. Ms. Ward has lived in a total of 13 states and we're so lucky to have her here in Florida. She began teaching because it fills her bucket and makes her soul happy and complete. Her number one goal is trying to get kids to learn how to believe in themselves. This teaches the young 4th graders that self-courage and what happens on the inside impacts what happens on the outside. Outside of school, she enjoys cooking and creating new recipes, using more of her creative personality.



Writing and reading are her favorite subjects to teach. It gives students a chance to be creative and express themselves while they also learn the rules of the words. She is very talented in the writing field and also very experienced. Ms. Ward also wrote a book! The title of the book is Picasso Moves In. It is about two kids with terrible habits who inherit an African gray parrot that teaches them how to have a terrific day every day! She is an outstanding writer and she is spreading her knowledge of language arts to students at Liberty Pines. We are so grateful to have her here!



Ms. Howard is a 2nd grade teacher new to LPA. She was originally from Fort Myers, Florida and has been teaching for 6 years. She went to college at Florida Southwestern and got a master's degree at the Grand Canyon University. She majored in reading. Ms. Howard got inspired to start teaching when she went on a mission trip to Guatemala. She worked with a lot of kids and saw that they didn't know how to read, write, and some didn't even know their own age. She realized how important it was for them to be able to read and write. After that she pursued her passion in spreading knowledge to young children.

Her favorite part about teaching 2nd grade is seeing how they grow and learn to be independent. Like a caterpillar to a beautiful butterfly 2nd grade is a big year of changes. Ms. Howard loves to teach reading and social studies. She loves to motivate her kids by always being excited in what she's teaching about; she also likes to tell jokes and tries to make learning fun for the kids. In Ms. Howard's free time she likes to workout, go to the beach, and spend time with her family and friends. We are so happy to have Ms. Howard join the Wolf Pack Family.

Meet Our Nurses!

- Rainell Luce and Riley O'Keefe

Here at LPA we have two amazing nurses. Mrs. Lynch and Mrs. Mayernik work hard to keep the students at Liberty Pines Academy happy and healthy. Nurse Lynch has been at LPA for nine years. Her favorite part of being a nurse is getting to know her students both as their nurse and as a helping hand. She loves being there for the students that attend Liberty pines, in bad times and in good. She wanted to become a nurse because of her Mom. Her Mother went to nursing school when she was around 1 years old and ever since then she has fulfilled her passion for helping others. Mrs. Lynch went to school for 3 years to get her diploma at the University of Alabama. She also went to school for 18 months to get her bachelors degree. Before coming to LPA, Mrs. Lynch worked as a nurse at Christ Church Academy in Mandarin. She was also a nurse in the operating room. In total she has been in the medical field for 22 years.



Mrs. Mayernik is a licensed practical nurse (LPN). Before getting into the medical field she was in the navy for 5 years as an Operation Specialist. She was also going to school for computer science. Then when she found out her son was born with a rare medical condition she made the decision to become a nurse. Mrs. Mayernik wanted to be able to understand what the doctors were saying during appointments. She went to nursing school for 15 months. Before coming to Liberty Pines she worked at a nursing home in Virginia. Her favorite part of being a nurse at Liberty Pines Academy is seeing all the students. She loves helping others.

4th Grade I- Ready Wall

4th grade did a great job reflecting on testing strategies they were going to use to do their best work on their first I- Ready Diagnostic. 4th grade really showed how hard they've worked so far this year!



Student Council Report

- Logan Weinstein and Marissa Sims

Ever wonder who is behind the scenes pulling all the strings? Despite popular belief, it isn't just teachers but also the students who make up the **Student Council**. This year our council is made up of Katherine Fallon, Matthew Green, Noah Hernandez, Shreya Kalarikkal, Aaron McMenamy, Brooke Miller, Vanessa Cameryn Roberts, Norah Russo, Faith Sebregandio, Maxwell Sobol, Cameron Ward, and Harper Willim.

This well-oiled machine has already decided on the themes and days for our **Spirit Week (October 21st-25th)**, **Monday-Twin Day, Tuesday-Nerd Day, Wednesday-Famous Person Day, Thursday-Disney Day, and Friday- LPA Spirit Day!** They have also selected a date for our Middle School Fall Dances, October 24th, 3:30 -4:30 for 6th grade, and 5-6:00 for 7th and 8th grades. Stay tuned for more information on what and when other events will take place. Student Council is sponsored by Mrs. Herkel and Mrs. Hale.

POSITIVITY AT LPA!

- Kyra Lagoutaris

The elementary choir is directed by Ms. Risley, the elementary music teacher. They practice on Tuesdays after school from 3:00 to 4:30. The choir is looking forward to marching in the St. Augustine Christmas Parade and they are looking forward to performing at the St. Johns Golf & Country Club Open Vendor Night. Ms. Risley will soon be choosing students (choir members) for the Jacksonville Honors Choir Program. The choir will also be singing the National Anthem at the Jacksonville Ice Men Hockey game, but Ms. Risley doesn't have a date yet. During Christmas time, the choir will be singing Silent Night in the traditional German. The choir will also be singing a song in Swahili, which is from Kenya. Ms. Risley says that new students may join the choir for the next week or so, but after that, no new students will be allowed to join because the choir will begin getting ready for their concerts. Ms. Risley is very excited for this year and she loves her group of kids. She says, "Choir is her favorite time of day!"



Random Acts of Kindness

- Evan Le

LPA has no shortage of kind teachers and students alike. Many people choose to help others not for personal gain, but through their own virtue of heart. This attitude towards others is a helpful and kind one to adopt.

On the first of September, the Bahamas were ravaged by hurricane Dorian. Students have been writing stories and drawing pictures to send to the Bahamas in support. In the midst of a tragedy, LPA has shown kindness in choosing to send their support. Ms. Risley, elementary music teacher, has a friend who teaches in the Bahamas. When she asked her friend how LPA could help, she said "what they kids need most is 'love and hugs. Some of them have lost everything including family and friends and worse, several are waiting to hear about their loved ones.'"

Ms. Risley asked interested teachers to have their students draw pictures, write poems, and create stories to send to the children in the Bahamas, and staff members who do not have students were also encouraged to put their thoughts and prayers down on paper, as well. Ms. Risley collected and sent out these messages of hope at the end of September. Thanks to all who participated!

Another recent event that has since passed was the Penny Wars. Numerous students surpassed expectations and chose to dedicate their own time outside of their school day to helping the school. These students - Riley & Alexandra Stafford, Lucas Colca, Francesca & AJ McMenamy, and Tristen Ocampo - set up snack stands on the side of their neighborhood street to help raise money to contribute to the Penny Wars for the school.

LPA PTO

STAY INFORMED

Please Sign Up for Remind!
AND, please sign up for Remind on your phone. It's a great way to get helpful reminders and information about LPA events or grade specific updates!

For grade level reminders text one or more of the following to 81010:

Kindergarten: @lpakinder

1st Grade: @lpafirst

2nd Grade: @lpasecond

3rd Grade: @lpathird

4th Grade: @lpafourth

5th Grade: @lpafifth

6th Grade: @lpasixth

7th Grade: @lpaseventh

8th Grade: @lpaeighth

For volunteer need updates, text @helpipa

Reminder – Sign up for Amazon Smile! Do you shop on Amazon? If so, enter the address Smile.Amazon.com the next time you shop and a % of each purchase goes toward Liberty Pines PTO. The charity name is: Liberty Pines Academy Parent Teacher Organization Inc.



"Of the Month"

Know a person who goes above and beyond at LPA? PTO wants to hear about them! You can nominate a student, teacher, staff member, or family member!

Please submit your vote to your teacher or email stephcross13@yahoo.com and put volunteer in the subject line.

Playground Penny Wars

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Playground Penny fundraiser. It was a huge success! We raised over \$5000 to go toward new playground equipment. The winning grade for elementary was 5th grade and for middle school, it was 8th grade – they will receive their prize mid-October.

Bravoz Tickets

Starting October 1st, discounted Bravoz tickets will be available to purchase through PTO. A portion of the ticket sales go back to LPA PTO. (See attached flyer for details.)

Mack's Tenders Spirit Night

Please plan on grabbing dinner at Mack's Tenders from 4-8pm on October 15th. A portion of all sales goes to LPA.

Family Movie Night

Mark your calendars for October 18th – the PTO is hosting a **FREE** Outdoor Family Movie Night, **Toy Story 4**, from 6:00 to 8:30pm @ LPA. Chick-fil-A and snacks will be available for purchase at the event.

Nominations Please!

We are accepting nominations for Outstanding Volunteer of the Year, Outstanding Senior Volunteer of the Year and Outstanding Student Volunteer of the year. Please contact Melissa Woody with questions. Submit nominations to Melissa Woody (melissa.woody@wswoody.com) no later than Tuesday, October 8th. Nominations should include Nominees name, what you are nominating them for (service hours worked during the 2018-2019 school year), as well as the name of the person submitting the nomination. Student volunteer hours must have served at LPA in some capacity.

Boosterthon!

The Boosterthon Fun Run is a PTO-sponsored educational program and fundraiser. Boosterthon teaches students in Kindergarten through Fifth Grade the values of Fitness, Leadership & Character in their everyday lives. A Pep Rally will be held on Monday, November 4th in the gym (K-2 @ 9am, and 3-5 @ 9:40am) to educate the students about Boosterthon and to provide important details as to how they and their families can get involved. The Fun Run will be held at LPA on Friday, November 15th at the following times:

8:45am for Kindergarten and First Grade

10:00am for Fourth and Fifth Grade

12:30pm for Second and Third Grade

Parents are invited and encouraged to attend the Fun Run! All participants must be approved volunteers.

LPA Jax Icemen Marvel Night

Bring your family & friends to see the Jacksonville Icemen play & enjoy Marvel Super Hero Night on Saturday, November 16th at 7pm. Dress as your favorite Super Hero!

Buy your tickets at <http://www.jaxicemen.com/lpanight>

Tickets are \$20 each. A portion of each ticket will be donated back to LPA PTO!

Questions, please contact Holly Van Wagner at hollyvw02@yahoo.com



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*Does not include socks. Please bring your Bravoz grip socks from a previous visit. Socks can be purchased for an additional \$2.



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