

# WOLF NEWS

## Liberty Pines Academy



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### Message from Mrs. Hemingway

Liberty Pines Academy Families,

#### Drama Performance

Congratulations to our Drama students for the amazing performance of It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play which is based on the classic holiday movie with a clever twist thrown in: the story was staged as a live radio broadcast. Our middle school students portrayed numerous characters and sound effects. The audience left with a better understanding of the true spirit of the holidays. Way to go Mrs. Herkel, Mrs. Hale, our middle school cast members, and the numerous parents that made this play possible.



#### Spelling Bee Class Participants

Congratulation to our fifth through eighth grade classroom spelling bee winners. We are so proud of your accomplishment. Students were recognized on our morning news show and received their medals for this achievement. Arya Banapur (7<sup>th</sup> Grade) and Sreyas Kuntamukkala(7<sup>th</sup> Grade) tied for second place and Jack Willis (8<sup>th</sup> Grade), third time LPA representative won first place and will represent LPA at the district competition in January.



Way to go students, you should all be proud of your accomplishments.



**Children with Fevers** – With the flu and cold season upon us, we wanted to send a gentle reminder that if you child has a fever, they may not return to school for 24 hours. Please help us to keep all the students and staff of LPA healthy.

**School Access Form** – Please remember that each family member must complete the school access form online in order to attend school functions that take during the school day. You may logon to <http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/volunteer/> to complete your form today!

LPA Learning Leader,  
Traci Hemingway

### UPCOMING DATES

#### January

5	Student Holiday – Teacher Planning
8	Students Return
15	Martin Luther King Day – Student and Teacher Holiday
16	PTO Meeting – 10 a.m. SAC Meeting – 4 p.m.
19	Report Cards Issued
22	Talent Show Auditions 3 p.m.
23	Talent Show Auditions 7:30 a.m.
25	K- 5 Class Pictures
29	Teachers Inservice – No school for students

#### February

1	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> AVID Night 6 p.m.
2	LPA Talent Show 6 p.m.
5 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup>	PTO Book Fair
8	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> AVID Night 6 p.m.
9	Interim Reports Issued
13	PTO Meeting 10 a.m. SAC Meeting 4 p.m.
19	Presidents Day – No School

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## Media Matters

### Cross Country

The championship race was held at Bartram, the girls, led by Macey Millard, Anna Bachman, and Emily Valentin, finished third in the district. The boys, led by Logan Sallas, Jose Chavez, and Matthew Green, finished eighth in the district.

End of season awards: Logan Sallas and Macey Millard won the Top Runner Award and Jack Preston was chosen as the most improved runner this year.

### Relay for Life

LPA is currently in the process of building a team for Relay for Life. Currently, we are focusing on 8<sup>th</sup> grade students that are interested. If you have a 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> grade student interested please email their information. If we have enough volunteers, we can build another team! Please contact Kathy Brantly at [Kbrantly@Comcast.net](mailto:Kbrantly@Comcast.net)

### Spirit Wear

We encourage your students to wear their AVID shirts on Wednesdays and any spirit wear on Fridays!

We have ordered **575** books for the media center this school year. Thank you for all of your support! ☺

Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida! is January 22-26, 2018. The goal for this year's Celebrate Literacy Week is to promote literacy and excellent reading habits in our students. This year our theme is **Find Yourself in a Book!** At LPA on Jan. 22, we will have District personnel reading to various classes on campus. Throughout the week, we will have Guest Readers reading to the students. This is a great week we celebrate every year reminding students of the importance and enjoyment of literature.

Our Scholastic Book Fair is almost here! It will be Feb. 5-9, 2018. Our theme this year is **Paws for Books**. Looking forward to another spectacular Book Fair.

Students, who are interested in testing for the Elementary School Battle of the Books team, will need to read at least twelve books prior to the test. Test will be January 26, in the media center, as soon as students arrive to school.

**Who has read ALL 15 of the SSYRA books?**

**Will Loving, Joshua Worthington, Ella Wen, Shreya Kalarikkal, Sebastian Stodol, Monica Posina and Alyssa Cronin**

Thank you for making the LPA Media Center – the best ever!

Laura Rogers

## Stockings for Soldiers

Fourth grade students at LPA had the opportunity to participate in a community program this month called "Stockings for Soldiers". LPA fourth graders and the Jacksonville USO partnered together to create stockings sprinkled with holiday cheer to welcome home deployed soldiers during the holiday season. The stockings are displayed proudly in the downstairs baggage claim area in the Jacksonville International Airport. We are so proud of our students and their commitment to our community. Be sure to check out the stockings made by LPA students as you travel through the Jacksonville Airport this holiday season!



## LPA Basketball

Date	Home	Away
1/16	LPA	SPMS
1/18	LPA	VRA
1/23	FCMS	LPA
1/30	PBMS	LPA
2/1	LMS	LPA
2/6	POA	LPA
2/13	LPA	MMS
2/15	LPA	SMS
2/20	GRMS	LPA

**Girls Basketball starts at 5:30 p.m.**

**Boys Basketball starts at 6:30 p.m.**



# LPA PTO

## Of The Month Program

The Staff Member of the Month winner for November is Mr. Kirsche. Mr. Kirsche was nominated for all his work coaching the cross country team, leading the STEM club and being an awesome science teacher. The Volunteer of the Month is Edja Graunke for all her work with the Taxslayer bowl tickets, coordinating the gift card tree raffle and the Night of Lights vendors! Thank you for all that you do for LPA!

The "Of the Month" program is looking for your help in recognizing LPA students, teachers, staff, and volunteers who go above and beyond for our great school. If you feel you know of just the right person to be recognized, please send an email to [sunshine@puresugarstudios.com](mailto:sunshine@puresugarstudios.com) with a short description as to why this person should be considered.

## Thank You!

The Boosterthon raised a little more than \$34,000, Wrapping Paper fundraiser raised \$5,000 and Papa Murphy's fundraiser brought in \$360.

## Support LPA PTO

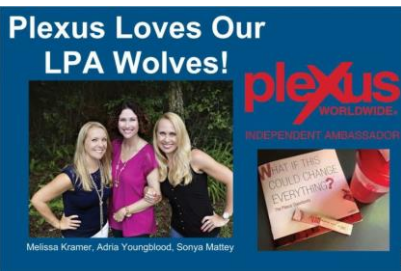


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The charity name is: Liberty Pines Academy Parent Teacher Organization Inc.

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