

# LITTLE MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY

## January Newsletter for Parents & Students

*The faculty and staff at LME will prepare responsible leaders and motivated learners who contribute to our school and community.*

*We will do this by working as a team to live, model, and teach the 8 Habits.*



## REMINDERS AND UPCOMING EVENTS...



### WINTER BREAK

Students will be on Winter Break  
**December 22nd - January 7th.**

Students will return **January 8, 2019.**



Second nine weeks awards celebration for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades will be on Friday, January 25th at 8:00 AM in your child's homeroom class.



### Parent-Teacher Conferences

We will have Parent-Teacher conferences on:

**Thursday, January 17th from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

**Friday, January 18th from 8:00 am – 11:15 am**

To sign up for a conference time, please look for information to come home after Christmas break.

## Leader In Me Club Day

Please refrain from picking your child up early on January 17th. We will follow early release lunch schedule on this day.



### 4th Grade Annual Bar-B-Que Supper

Fourth grade students will begin selling Shealy's BBQ tickets on **Wednesday, January 23rd.** This is a fundraiser for our students to offset the cost of their 5th Grade Washington, D.C. trip. Thanks in advance for supporting our students.  
**The Shealy's Bar-B-Que supper is on March 2 at LME.**



### Parent / School Communication

Please make sure you check your child's weekly folder for important announcements and events. You may also check our website or Facebook page for upcoming events. Also, in case of an emergency such as illness, or inclement weather, please make sure all of your information is correct.  
If your phone number or address changes, please notify the office.

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## REMINDERS AND UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUED...

Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are required by law to provide age-appropriate instruction in sexual abuse, assault awareness, and prevention to all students in four-year old kindergarten through twelfth grade (Erin's Law). The School District of Newberry County will be using the Care for Kids curriculum for students in pre-K through second grade and We Care Elementary curriculum for students in third through fifth grades. Both include a health education and violence prevention curriculum that meets the Erin's Law requirement. These lessons will be taught by the school counselor.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please feel free to call Katrina Singletary at (803) 321-2600.



### Parent Portal- Have you accessed your child's Parent Portal Account?

#### Frequently Asked Questions:

**What is Parent Portal?** Through the Parent Portal, parents and guardians have instant access to important information such as assignment grades (grades 3-5), attendance information (grades PK-5), or fees. Please note that the information you are able to see is regulated by our school district.

**Where do I get an Access ID and Access Password for my child?** Please visit the office so we can verify your identity and give your Access ID and Access Password. Only legal guardians may pick up your child's access key information.

**Does the school setup my Parent Portal Account?** No, you set up your own account. Instructions will be given when you receive your access id.

**Who do I contact with general Parent Portal questions?** Stacy Folk 945-7721

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### JANUARY LIGHTHOUSE NEWS Supporting The Leader in Me Initiative

The Importance of Goals

By: John and Jane Covey

Research has shown that the simple act of writing a goal greatly increases the chances of accomplishing the goal. If the goal is broken down into action steps and the action steps are tracked, goals have an even greater percentage of success.

At school, your child may write his or her academic and personal goals in a Leadership Notebook. You will gain a lot of information on how your child is doing if you ask your child to tell you about his or her goals. The goals chosen are meaningful to your child so be sure to practice Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood.

The Leadership Notebook idea can also be used in your home. Create goals such as reading together, eating dinner at the table, or doing an activity together. Involve everyone in the family in choosing a meaningful goal and action steps. Post the goal and the action steps in a visible place and be sure to track and celebrate progress!

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## Leaders on the Deck

During the month of November, the faculty, staff, and students concentrated on Habit #3, Put First Things First. For the students, Habit #3 means that they spend time on things that are most important, saying no to things that may lead their efforts away from their established goal. During November, these students set priorities, made a schedule and followed a plan.

These young leaders were selected by their homeroom teachers for their leadership skills and commendable actions. We are very proud to recognize the students pictured as true Leaders on the Deck for Habit #3.

### Leaders on the Deck Habit #3 ... Put First Things First



**Front Row:** Ayden Anderson, Kade Livingston, Zack Desjarlais, Banks Reese, Ainsley Amick, Claire McClain, Isla Dipner, Andreas Anderson, Van Hayes

**Second Row:** Cathryn Folk, June Williams, Lena Maysonet, Bethany Hill, Alon Williams, Emma Ruch, Seth Williams

**Third Row:** Jake Wilbanks, Blair Cromer, Emory Simpson, Gracen Shealy, Kayley Madray, Brooks Walker, Bailey Meetze



### Teacher on the Deck Habit #3 ...

Mrs. Lynn Riddle

Mrs. Riddle, cafeteria manager at LME, was selected by her peers for modeling Habit #3. Mrs. Riddle puts our students first in planning our wonderful meals.



# CELEBRATIONS

## January Birthdays

01- Eric Baldwin, Ashby Frier, Carson Hogan  
 02- Camryn Butler, Julianne Kinard,  
 Weston Riddle, John Vandegrift  
 03- Ethan Moore  
 04- Ayden Dickert  
 05- Hanna Boggess, Emory Simpson, Elliot Twining  
 07- Davy Kitchen  
 08- Ms. Courtney Hentz  
 09- Kenalii Henderson  
 12- Kelton Ward  
 13- Jayden Alvarez, Derrick Desjarlais,  
 Bryanna Lawhorn, Kayley Madray,  
 Helen Permenter  
 15- Mrs. Kaitlyn Brehmer

16- Hudson Long, Roman Long  
 17- Peyton Butler, Maleah Dewelt,  
 18- Mrs. Jennifer Boozer  
 20- Kaylee Hentz, Alex Owens  
 21- Luke Curry  
 22- Carson Conder, Maloree Grimsley,  
 Jake Wilbanks  
 23- Elijah Williams, Everly McClary  
 Mrs. Susan Bellows  
 24- Landen Hentz  
 25- Jacob Lindler  
 26- James Kahl, Ayden McLeod,  
 Darius Meggett, Kaiden Ramey  
 28- Emily Bedenbaugh, Avery Westphal  
 29- Alon Williams  
 30- Davis Ruff



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Winter Holidays No School	1 <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR</b>	2 Winter Holidays No School	3 Winter Holidays No School	4 Winter Holidays No School
7 Teacher Planning and Preparation No School for Students	8 Students Return	9 8:00 GEO Bee	10 7:00-7:30 AM Parent Lighthouse Meeting	11
14 2:40-3:40 GEO Club 2:40-3:30 Math Olympiad	15 2:40-3:40 Archery	16 PTO Chick-fil-A Biscuit Sales in AM Car Rider Line	17 1:30-2:15 Club Day Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00-7:00 pm	18 Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00-11:15 am  No School for Students
21 Martin Luther King Jr No School	22 2:40-3:40 Archery 5:30 4th Grade Washington DC meeting 6:30 Reading Night	23 4th Grade BBQ Supper Sales Begin	24	25 8:00 AM Awards Celebration Grades 3rd, 4th and 5th
28 2:40-3:40 GEO Club 2:40-3:30 Math Olympiad 5:30 SIC Meeting 7:30 School Board Meeting	29 2:40-3:40 Archery 4th Grade First Washington DC Deposit Due-\$100.00 5:30 PTO Board Meeting	30	31 7:30-8:00 AM Student Lighthouse Meeting	

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# FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE

## Illness Reminder:

We need your help to reduce the spread of germs! By working together, taking precautions, we can help to minimize the impact of any illness that can be spread to others.

Please be reminded of the following:

- Wash hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds;
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands;
- Avoid kissing, hugging, and sharing cups or eating utensils with people who are sick;
- Disinfect frequently touched surfaces, such as toys and doorknobs, especially if someone is sick;
- **Stay home when feeling sick, and obtain consultation from your health care provider.**

Keep sick children at home for at least 24 hours after they no longer have vomiting or diarrhea  
ill children should stay home until 24 hours after they are fever free without the use of fever-reducing medicines.

- Cover your cough/sneeze. It is best to *cough or sneeze* into your upper sleeve or *elbow*, not your hands. If you cough/sneeze in your hands or in a tissue, make sure you wash your hands afterwards.
- These everyday steps are a good way to reduce your chances of getting the flu. However, a yearly flu vaccine is the best protection against flu illness.



## Medication Administration on Delayed Start to School Days



In the event of a delayed start to school (1 or 2 hours), you will need to administer your child's morning medication at home prior to coming to school. The school nurse will not be able to administer morning medications on delayed start school days as it will be greater than 30 minutes from the ordered time. Nurses are able to give medications within 30 minutes before or after the ordered time as designated by the student's health care provider.

I apologize for any inconvenience and greatly appreciate you ensuring your student's continued success. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 945-7721 or Tricia Ulch, School Nurse Coordinator at 321-2600.

## Is your child buckled safely?



Rear-Facing Car Seat

An infant under 2 must be secured in a rear-facing car seat in a rear seat of the vehicle until the child exceeds the height or weight limit allowed by the manufacturer of the car seat.



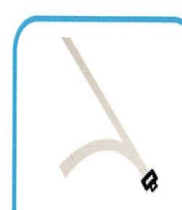
Forward-Facing Car Seat

A child at least age 2 or under 2 who has outgrown the manufacturer's height or weight limits for a rear-facing car seat must be secured in a forward-facing car seat in a rear seat of the vehicle until the child exceeds the highest height or weight requirements of the forward-facing car seat.



Booster Seat

Children at least age 4 who have outgrown their forward-facing car seat must be secured by a booster seat in a rear seat of the vehicle until the child can meet the height and fit requirements for an adult safety seat belt. Lap and shoulder belts must be used.



Seat Belt

A child at least age 8 or at least 57 inches tall may be restrained by an adult safety belt **if the child can be secured properly by an adult safety seat belt.**



To view the complete text of the SC Child Passenger Safety Law and to learn more about safety belt laws in South Carolina, visit:

[www.buckleupsc.com](http://www.buckleupsc.com)

