

LeMoyne Elementary and Montessori at LeMoyne



Principal's Note

Hello LeMoyne and Montessori Families,

We have been reviewing our Personalized Learning efforts and see a lot of success in our classrooms so far. Teachers have chosen a content area to run a station rotation model with, they are providing rigorous, relevant tasks to students and providing targeted instruction at the students' instructional levels to help them improve their academic success. Teachers are redesigning their classrooms with tables instead of desks, there are alternative seating options being brought in to replace some of the traditional chairs and classroom décor is reflecting the work of teachers and students in the Core 4 of Personalized learning.

We've got our 3rd administration of the ANET assessments for grades 2-5 happening March 13th and 15th. Our students have done a lot of work trying to make progress and master the NYS learning standards. If you would like information on the scores from the assessments this year, please reach out to the teachers. The students at LeMoyne typically perform higher than students in other Syracuse schools, but you should take a look at your child's specific data to learn more about how to help them make improvements.

We're gearing up for NYS ELA and Math assessments this Spring. The ELA assessment will only be 2 days this year, not 3! It will take place April 11th and 12th. The Math Assessment will be May 1st and 2nd. This is a chance for students in grades 3-5 to show what they know. It provides the school with data on how to best meet their academic needs and guides the middle schools in creating appropriate schedules for incoming 6th graders.

We look forward to seeing everyone on March 15th for our family and community engagement event around student progress and NYS assessments. All families are invited to attend.

Thank you,
Jason Armstrong

Upcoming Events

MARCH

3/14 - Half Day for Safe Schools Training

3/15 - Family and Community Engagement Night 5:30-7pm

3/30—No School Good Friday Holiday

APRIL

4/11-4/13 NYS ELA Testing

4/23-4/27 April Break
NO SCHOOL

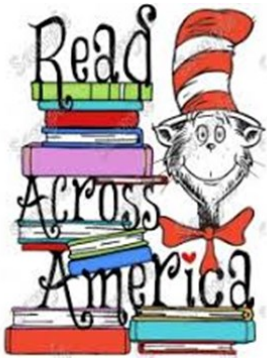
SCHOOL STORE FUNDRAISER

The Multicultural Committee is raising money for Multicultural Day food and festivities.

The School Store is in the art room, room 206 on Wednesday at 1:45-2:40



From the Library Corner...



"You're never too old,
too wacky, too wild,
to pick up a book and
read with a child."

*Read to your child...Read side by side...Have
your child read to you!!*

**Happy Reading,
Mrs. Romeo/LeMoyné Librarian**



Tips for Being a Good Friend

1. Remember things about your friend like their favorite food, their birthday, the names of their brothers and sisters and pets etc.
2. Keep your plans with them, and be on time. Make sure you do things they like to do, and not just what you like to do.
3. Be Kind, do kind things, use kind words. Share with them if appropriate.
4. Help them if they have a problem. Sometimes helping is just listening and sitting with them. A pat on the back or a hug can be helpful too.
5. Have fun with them. Making memories, laughter and playing are all important ways to get and keep your friends.
6. Tell your friends at least once that they are important to you. Let them know that you are their friend and that you appreciate them.

Ms. Gregory for Mrs. Leonard who is out on maternity leave.

"It isn't where you came from, it's where you're going that counts." - Ella Fitzgerald

Don't Hesitate

If you suddenly and unexpectedly feel joy, don't hesitate. Give in to it. There are plenty of lives and whole towns destroyed or about to be. We are not wise, and not very often kind. And much can never be redeemed. Still, life has some possibility left. Perhaps this is its way of fighting back, that sometimes something happens better than all the riches or power in the world. It could be anything, but very likely you notice it in the instant when love begins. Anyway, that's often the case. Anyway, whatever it is, don't be afraid of its plenty. Joy is not made to be a crumb.

—Mary Oliver



Montessori Minute

As we begin to transition to spring, we will start talking about weather and environment changes. Get outside with your children and talk with them about the changes you see happening with spring coming! We use our 5 senses to talk about these changes!

“If help and salvation are to come, they can only come from the children, for the children are the makers of men.”

~Maria Montessori

NURSE'S TIPS AND NOTES

March is National Nutrition Month

Childhood obesity is a rising concern among American children of all ages. It can lead to Type 2 diabetes which can be reversed with an improvement in diet. It is very important that we protect our children from this disease which can lead to many other illnesses, Here are some tips for parents to help keep children at a healthy weight through good eating habits:

Nutrients: eat and drink plenty of fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean protein and low fat dairy.

Fiber: add beans to the list of foods mentioned above to help you feel full and keep your digestive system working normally.

“Bad for Me” foods: butter, meat, store-bought baked goods, crackers, and sugar should be avoided in large amounts.

How to eat right: eat small portions of lots of different foods. Choose tons of colorful fruits and vegetables, then fill the rest of the plate with a little lean protein (like chicken breast and beans), a little nonfat dairy and a few whole grains.

MARCH MADNESS

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