LeMoyne Elementary and Montessori at LeMoyne

Principal’s Note

Greetings Families,

Thank you for your supporting your children over the last month with getting back into the routines for school. It makes a tremendous difference when families support the work we do with the students. Your support helps make our school so great to be in and so successful at making progress.

I would like to share some updates with you on our achievement from last school year. LeMoyne Elementary was recognized at the Opening of Schools Operations meeting in August for being one of the schools making the most progress on the state accountability measures. The NYS Math, ELA and Science assessments showed that we are among the schools who see the most improvement in student achievement. LeMoyne was ranked 3rd in growth for ELA and 3rd in growth for Math. The students and staff feel a great sense of accomplishment knowing that our hard work is paying off. We urge you to continue to support our efforts by being aware of what your children are learning in school and having them show you the feedback they get from their teachers on what they have done well and what they need to do to continue to improve.

Hopefully, everyone enjoyed open house on September 28th. If you did not make it, you can email the teachers to get the information you missed and to schedule your parent conferences. They will be sending home notifications of conference appointments as well.

The after school program starts October 16th. It will run until about 6 pm this year. If you are interested in enrolling your child you can do that online or get an application in the main office. Give us a call if you need assistance with it.

As parents you do have access to view information in the school computer system regarding your children. You can log in at https://esphac.scsd.us/HomeAccess/, which is linked on all school websites. You can update contact information, view discipline information, and more. We like to send important communications via email to all families. If you do not have an email address on file with us or if you need to update your email or phone number, please be sure to contact Jackie Cummings in the main office to make those updates. We look forward to fantastic fall with you and all of the students.

Thank you for your support,

Jason Armstrong
Principal, LeMoyne and Montessori at LeMoyne

Upcoming Events

OCTOBER

Indigenous Peoples Day/Columbus Day
10/9 NO SCHOOL

Fifth Grade Field Trip to the Everson Museum
10/12

After School Program Begins 10/16

Halloween Parade
10/31 1:30pm

Book Fair in Library
10/30 – 11/3 8:30-3:30

NOVEMBER

Book Fair in Library
11/3 OPEN 3:00-5:00

Superintendent’s Conference Day
11/7 NO SCHOOL – students

Veteran’s Day
11/10 NO SCHOOL

Half Day all Schools – 11/14

Dismissal at 12:30 pm

Thanksgiving Recess – 11/22-11/24 NO SCHOOL
Our **Scholastic Book Fair** is a reading event that brings the books kids want to read right into our school. It’s a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level.

**Book Fair dates:** **OCTOBER 30 – NOVEMBER 3**

**Shopping hours:** 8:30 AM – 3:10 PM

**Special Activities:** **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1st, OPEN After-School 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

Reading for pleasure unlocks the power of information and imagination and helps children discover who they are. Here’s what you can do to help children develop stronger reading skills and a love for reading:

- Set the example. Let children see you read.
- Have a collection of books in your home. Update this collection routinely to keep pace with changing tastes and reading skills.

**NOTE:** Borrowing library books is a wonderful way to keep your collection updated!

- Support our school’s Book Fair. Allow your children to choose their own books to read.

Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child’s reading habits.

**Happy Reading,**

*Mrs. Romeo/LeMoyne Librarian*

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Welcome back students and parents!

I hope you and your family had a fun and relaxing summer vacation! It is my hope that this school year will be full of successful experiences for all students. Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns about your child.

Also, thank you for getting your child to school **every day and on time!** Daily attendance is so important for your child’s academic success. If your child is sick, please call the school to inform and bring in a doctor’s note upon their return. If you are struggling to get your child to school regularly, please contact me. Thank you and I look forward to working with you and your child this school year!

*Mrs. Leonard,*

*School Social Worker*

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**Music**

**Band** begins the first week of October.

**Chorus** begins on October 10th.

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*“Don’t stop believing, hold on to that feeling.” ~ Journey*
Dear LeMoyne Families,

One of the best ways to ensure your child’s learning success is to reinforce or practice at home some of the skills that he or she is learning in school. This section of the Gator Gazette will provide you with some easy strategies you can try at home to give your child continued practice with these skills.

Teachers have worked very hard to create positive and safe learning environments for the children of LeMoyne. Classrooms are engaged in learning the routines and procedures that will help all children do their personal best this year. You can help at home by reinforcing positive school behaviors such as setting aside a quiet time for homework and nightly reading. Ask your child about the book they’re reading. Math skills can be reinforced by asking your child to explain how they solved a problem. Encourage them to draw a picture to show how they arrived at their answer.

Please be sure to reach out to your child’s teacher or me if you have any questions or concerns. It’s important to have a strong home/school connection. We’re off to a great start at LeMoyne and will have a fantastic year!

Beth Church
Instructional Coach

NURSE’S TIPS

Welcome back to school! I am the nurse at LeMoyne Elementary and Montessori at LeMoyne Schools. My goal is to help you keep your children healthy and strong so they will be in the classroom and ready to learn. Together we can help all students become their very best! Here are some tips to help keep your children healthy:

- Make sure physical exams are completed as required by NYS law and submitted to the Health Office. Those in grades K, 2 and 4 need to comply with this requirement.

- All children 6 months and older should have a flu shot. This will help avoid sickness in your family during this season. Adults are also encouraged to have a flu shot.

- Please send a change of clothes for children of all ages in case of accidents, outdoor incidents, body fluids that may occur, such as nosebleeds.

- Although breakfast is available at school for your children, a hearty lunch here and dinner at home will keep young minds alert and bodies strong.

- Baths and/or showers and twice a day tooth brushing will also keep kids healthy

Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. I enjoy building relationships with families so please do not hesitate to call me or drop by when convenient for you! My hours are 8:10AM to 3:10PM.

Anita M. Rowe RN, MS
School Nurse
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Montessori Minute

We had a great September in our Montessori classrooms!

Our returning children are practicing being leaders and showing our new students Montessori procedures. We have been working on learning about apples and in the upcoming weeks we will begin talking about pumpkins and leaves!

Please remember the most helpful thing at home you can do at home with your child is foster their independence!
Autumn

Autumn
Amber, blustery
Rustling, wilting, foraging
Golden leaves lay scattered
October
~Susan Johnson

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