February 14, 2016... The Valentine's Day Edition



Dates to Remember... at a glance

Monday, 2/15	Snow Make Up Day for Students and Staff
February 15 to 22	WCPSS Transfer Application window for 2016-17 school year.
Friday, 2/19	Distinguished Author Visit – Lincoln Peirce
Friday, 2/19	Winter Carnival/Silent Auction Family Event
Wednesday, 3/9	Pieces of Gold - Memorial Auditorium @ 7 рт
Friday, 3/25	Snow Make-Up Day

100 Days of Leesville Elementary School c. Request to remain at your current school after

As most of you already know, Leesville recently enjoyed the 100th day of school for the 2015-2016 school year. This is such a nice celebration and one that always manages to



blend the festive with the learning activities and

opportunities.



Using 10 trail mix items in groups of 10 allowed Ms. McCarty's class to enjoy a 100th Day trail mix treat... 100th day + counting by 10s + trail mix ingredients = one yummy learning opportunity.

The WCPSS Transfer Application Process Opens Monday, 2/15/16

One of the wonderful aspects of the Wake County School System is the opportunity to select and apply for the school structure and program that most closely matches your priorities for your child's educational environment. Please note the following dates and timelines for each of the various transfer application periods...

1. If you are applying for your 2016-17 calendar option (for example, to apply from a traditional calendar to a year-round calendar or vise versa), you will need to apply online within the dates from Monday, February 15 to Monday, February 22, 2016.

2. The same dates will apply for those students seeking an early transfer for the 2016-17 school year. The district will only consider an early transfer for the following reasons:

- a. Request for an entering grade student to be assigned to a school where a sibling attends and will continue to attend the school for the 2016-17 school year.
- b. Request to be assigned to your base school for the 2016-17 school year.
- c. Request to remain at your current school after a Board of Education approved change in assignment, or "grandfather."
- d. Request for a sibling to be assigned to a school where an older sibling is grandfathered as a result of a Board of Education approved assignment change.
- e. Request from full time employees for their students to attend the same school/campus where the parent is employed.

In order to be fully informed about the Transfer process for the 2016-2017 school year, please make sure that you visit the WCPSS Website at the following address:

<u> http://www.wcpss.net/Page/276</u>

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<u>A Little Parking Lot Reminder</u>

There are certainly those times that we find ourselves in a bit of a hurry at the end of the school day, with our children's schedules causing us to make decisions that we know to be contrary to the best example for our children.

We do understand this situation but must request that you honor our policies. This includes parking ONLY in designated parking places in our lot. Parking in reserved spots, along fire lanes, and in the middle of flow lanes is inconsiderate and sets a very poor example for our Cubs, so please be sure to respect the LES process and your fellow walkers/carpoolers who also have places to be and schedules to keep.

I would also like to remind you that the school day ends at 3:45 pm. Please do not pull your child from the learning environment simply to avoid some wait time. It sends the message to your child and the school that you do not value the educational setting and needs.



Finally, please remember that school begins at 9:15 am. If you get your child to school late, please escort them inside and sign them in personally. It is not permissible to send children into the school late and unaccompanied.

Thank you for your cooperation with our policies, which are designed to promote your child's safety, well-being, and educational success.

An Exciting Guest Comes to Leesville Elementary School

This Friday Morning, February 19, We are very excited and honored to welcome a nationally renowned author to speak with our own 4th and 5th Grade Cubs. Lincoln Peirce, creator and author of the very popular children's series, Big Nate, will speak about what it is like to be a successful author and answer any of the questions posed by our own Leesville authors.

If anyone would like to pre-order an autographed copy of Big Nate Blasts Off, please be sure to do so with our Librarian, Annie Reed, prior to Wednesday.

Make sure that you take a look at some of



these very clever and funny books prior to this Friday, so that you may better understand our excitement at Leesville.

A Leesville Night to Remember

Winter Carnin & Silent Auction Friday, February 19th 5:00-8:00 pm CARNIVAL GAMES Face painting Penny toss Hair chalking and more FOOD VENDORS Marco's Pizza Chick-fil-a RAFFLES D'Burrito Principal for a I Hibachi Express 50/50 Iam Ice Cream DJ JOSEPH AUCTION ITEMS Class baskets & staff donations, camps & parties, family fun & more! Featured auction item... A set of braces by Dr. Clay VanderWall