



# LaBrae Intermediate

[www.labrae.k12.oh.us](http://www.labrae.k12.oh.us)

## Newsletter

February 2013

*News to keep you informed about our school*

### From the Attendance Department:

Attendance is a very important aspect of your child's education. Many times parents fail to realize the number of days missed. It must be pointed out that attendance may be used as a basis for promotion or retention. LaBrae Board Policy states: A student who is absent from school more than nine ( 9 ) days in one semester, or more than eighteen (18) days in one year would be subject to loss of credit respectively. All absences, whether excused or unexcused, and suspensions will be counted. **We request that parents notify the school by telephone (330-898-4569) the morning of the absence and follow up with a written excuse.** It is the responsibility of the student to obtain make-up work following an absence. **There will be a 2% reduction of the nine-weeks grades for each day unexcused or suspended. A call or note from the parents must be received within a 24 hour period to excuse an absence.**

### Parent/Teacher Conferences

We will be holding conferences on Monday, February 11, 2013 & Wednesday, February 13, 2013. Please call (330) 898-4569 to schedule an appointment with one or all of your child's teachers.

**OHIO ACHIEVEMENT TESTS** will be administered **April 29 - May 9th, 2013** to all L.I.S. students. Students have or soon will be participating in Achievement Test Reviews and taking Practice Achievement Tests. Practice work is assigned **every night** in the form of reviewing what was covered in class each day even if there is not written work to complete!

**Attendance during the weeks of testing is necessary !**

### News from our School Nurse

Cold and flu season is here. Just a reminder that if your child is ill, please keep them at home until they are free from fever, vomiting, or diarrhea for a full 24 hours. This will go a long way in helping to minimize the spread of illness. Also, please reinforce good hand washing and covering those coughs and sneezes! Also, if your child will need cough drops, please send them to school with a note. Thank You for your help and cooperation!

The Trumbull County Health Department offers four programs for expectant mothers or parents with children up to three years old. All programs are parent education oriented with home visits, age appropriate activities for children and families, activities to enhance parenting skills, developmental screenings and access & referral to community agencies that may be of assistance to the family. If interested contact the Trumbull County Health Department at 330-675-2590, option #3 and ask about the Parents as Teachers Program.

Ms. Milajeane Harkabus  
Principal  
And  
Mrs. Darla Arnold  
Secretary

## **LIS Spelling Bee:**

Home rooms held their classroom Spelling Bees in January. Each classroom champion spellers participated in our school Spelling Bee on Friday, January 18, 2013, at 1:30 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Our Spelling Bee 1st Place winner was Joshua Bates, 2nd Place was Brent Sanderson and 3rd Place went to Samuel Cordner. Joshua will go on to the County Spelling Bee which will be held on March 11, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in our school auditorium.

---

## **Club 24:**

Club 24 will hold its fourth annual Challenge 24 Tournament for Grades 3-5 at Bascom Elementary School on Wednesday, February 6, 2013 at 5:30 pm.

Anyone who has signed up to be a proctor, please arrive no later than 5:15. A brief meeting will begin promptly at 5:15 to go over all rules. Thank you in advance!!

The Regional Challenge 24 Tournament will be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 6:00 pm at Warren G. Harding High School's main gym. We have the following students who will be participating in this tournament:: Connor Meyer and Jacob McCartney. Good Luck to both of these students!!

Please contact Mrs. Suzelis at [kay.suzelis@neomin.org](mailto:kay.suzelis@neomin.org) if you have any questions.

---

## **JUMP ROPE FOR HEART ASSOCIATION:**

Our school is proud to partner with the American Heart Association to help kids with special hearts! **Jump Rope for Heart** event will take place on:

February 25 – March 1, 2013 during gym class with Mrs. Simeone.

Collection envelopes must be turned in by March 4, 2013.

---

## **Students of the Month for November & December:**

Third Grade – Kristern Clover, Tiffani King, Landen James, Jordan Savon and Riley Davidson was the Winner.

Fourth Grade – Mikaela Thompson, Breeanna Bucci, Ian Bailey, Kristen Corvin and Elaina Phillips was the Winner.

Fifth Grade Winner – Makayla Salsgiver

Mrs. Naylor's Class – Chandler Bowman

Mrs. Conway's Class – Justin George

Mrs. Brandt's Reader of the Month – Gabriella Tilton

Artists of the Month – Matthew Goldner, Helena Meeks and Madison DeBolt



---

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

February 6, 2013 – Challenge 24 Tournament grades 3-5 at Bascom Gym at 5:30 pm.	February 15 & 18, 2013 – NO SCHOOL for Conference Day And President's Day
February 11 & 13, 2013 – Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30 pm.	February 20, 2013 – Elementary Booster Meeting at Bascom Media Center at 6:00 pm
February 12, 2013 – Regional Challenge 24 Tourn. At Harding High School Gymnasium at 6:00 pm	February 21, 2013 – COSI starting at 9:00am in the Gym Market Day Pickup at Bascom 4-5 pm
February 13, 2013 – Market Day Forms Due Back	February 22, 2013 – Progress Reports Go Home