December 2012



A Message from the Principal

It's hard to believe that December is already here. It seems like yesterday that we were making sure that the students were wearing the appropriate length shorts! Suddenly it seems, our concern has changed to making sure the students are dressed appropriately for colder temperatures. Please be sure your child comes to school with hats, gloves and warm jackets, as they will need them both at the bus stop and at recess daily.

Thank you to all of our students and parent volunteers who helped with our Fall fundraiser. With your help the event was a success.

I have also shared an additional Principal's Message this month on page 3 of our newsletter to keep you informed of changes being made to our Ohio Learning Standards. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

On behalf of the LaBrae Intermediate staff, we would like to wish you a very Happy, Healthy and Safe Holiday Season!!!

PLEASE NOTE: THIS WILL BE THE LAST PAPER COPY OF THE LIS NEWSLET-TER THAT WILL BE SENT HOME. OUR NEWSLETTERS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE. A PAPER COPY CAN BE REQUESTED FROM THE OFFICE IF NEEDED.



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Ms. Milajean Harkabus

Principal

And

Mrs. Darla Arnold

Secretary

Holiday Celebration

On Thursday, December 20th, our students will be treated to a special progressive holiday party in their classrooms.

Giving Tree

A Christmas Giving Tree will be placed in our office. We are asking students to bring in hats, gloves & scarves to place in a box by our tree.



All donated items will go to needy families in our community. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Challenge 24 Tournament:

The annual Trumbull County Challenge 24 Tournament was held on November 14, 2012 at Warren G. Harding School.

Congratulations to <u>ALL</u> students who participated in the county Challenge 24 Tournament.

The 4th Grade Team Members were: Connor Meyer, Jacob McCartney, Julia Lambert & Austin Stassinis. Alternate Members were: Cierra Burchett & Helena Meeks.

The 5th Grade Team Members were: Faith Hartman, Chase McConaughey, Malakai Roberts & Destiny Goldner. Alternate Members were: Nick Clementi & Nathan Smith.

Special recognition goes to Jacob McCartney & Connor Meyer. Each made it to round 3 and will go on to the Regionals in January.

Outstanding recognition to 4th Grader Conner Meyer who placed 2nd Overall. Way to go! We are very proud of each of you!!



LaBrae Elementary Booster Meeting:

The meeting will be held on December 19, 2012 at Bascom Media Center at 6:00 pm.

LIBRARY NEWS:

Mrs. Shanower would like to extend a big "THANK YOU" to all staff, students and parents who purchased from our Scholastic Book Fair!! Thanks to all of you, our book fair was successful. This enables us to purchase new books for the library.

Upcoming Events:

- November 29, 2012-Picture Retakes & Makeups
- November 30, 2012—Fundraiser Award Assembly at 2:45pm
- December 1, 2012-Breakfast with Santa 9am to Noon
- December 5, 2012-Market Day Orders Due
- December 13, 2012 Market Day Pickup 4-5 pm
- December 14, 2012 Progress Reports Go Home Parents Day at Swimming Classes
- December 19, 2012—JJ Brothers Reading Assembly at 1:20pm Elementary Booster Meeting at 6:00pm at Bascom Media Center
- December 21, 2012—January 1, 2013—Winter Break (NO SCHOOL)

Return to School on Jan. 2, 2013

Have a safe and happy holiday from the Staff at LaBrae Intermediate School!!





A SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Ohio is Moving to New Education Standards This is what it means for our school.

What parent doesn't want his or her child to enter adult life prepared to take on the world? That's why you have your child in a school you trust.

But the world our children will live in will be much different than the one we have known. That is why Ohio is updating the curriculum standards that outline the knowledge and skills students need to have in key subjects in every grade.

Ohio and 44 other states have volunteered to adopt "Common Core State Standards" in math and English languages arts. Ohio also has written its own new standards in science and social studies.

What are education standards? They help teachers ensure that their students have the skills and knowledge they need to be successful by providing clear goals for student learning. Standards do not tell teachers *how* to teach, but they do help educators identify the knowledge and skills their students should have so teachers can build the best lessons and environments for their classrooms.

Teachers at LaBrae Intermediate School, are analyzing the standards now so we can put them into action by the fall of 2014. What does this mean for your student?

- Your child will be studying fewer topics within each subject, but drilling deeper into each to gain more understanding.
- Your child will be carrying well-understood key concepts from grade to grade to broaden and build on his or her knowledge.
- Your child will learn to relate key ideas from math, science, language arts and social studies to real-life situations.
- Your child's teacher will be using more in-depth teaching methods and getting frequent measurements of how your child is doing.

I encourage you as a parent to visit the National Parent Teacher Association website at <u>http://</u> <u>www.pta.org/4446.htm</u> for more information and guides on how to support your child's learning under the Common Core State Standards. I also invite you to watch a brief video from the Ohio Department of Education that explains more about why the state is updating its standards. You can see *Higher Expectations for a Brighter Future: Ohio's New Learning Standards* at <u>www.youtube.com/ohioeddept</u>.

Standards are a first step -a key building block -in helping us to continue providing our young people with a high-quality education that will prepare them for success in college and work. Most importantly, the hard work of our dedicated teaching staff and the continued support of parents will ensure that our children enjoy the bright future we all want for them.

Honor Roll– LaBrae Intermediate: <u>3rd Grade</u>

Holly Anderson	Noah Kolat	Austin Vogan	Emily Hyland*	Caylie Shook	Konner Johnston
Destiny Bennett	Frankie Kostalek	Joshua Wood*	Aniya Johnson	Austin Stassinis	Alexis Krusely
Julie Bianco	Lucas Lancaster	Alexis Yeater*	Emma Jones	Hailey Stishan	Alexander Laughlin
Andria Bockelman	Amelia Mahan	<u>4th Grade</u>	Molly Jones	Michael Strickland	Gia Lopez
Mykalia-Denyse Bryant	Elizabeth Mann	Leah Ackerman*	Nathaniel Kopp	Ashley Swegan	Sean Lujan
Chelsey Burchett	Aniya May	Desirae Allen	Gaetana Krok	Mikaela Thompson*	Chase McConaughey
Kristen Clover	Hannah McCartney	Ian Bailey	Mara Kujala*	Kylie Thornton	Kylee Moore
Nicholas Cope	Jordan McCartney*	Tyler Barnhart	Serena Kustelega	Arthur Tilton	Isabella Nogales
Dominic Cummins	Erika McFarland	Christopher Bennett	Julianna Lambert*	Michael Tul Jr.*	Nathaniel Ostas
Riley Davidson*	Cadence McKenzie*	Jordyn Bills	Nevan Lee	Zachary Veselich	Sierra Pickens
Ethan Davis*	Cynthia McKnight	Emma Bland	Colin Maloney	Jeremy Williams*	Joseph Pratt
Lindsey DeArmitt	Braden Mocella	Stephen Boone	Jacob McCartney*	Erich Winkleman	Haylee Prentice
Logan DeArmitt	Ashley Monroe	Breeanna Bucci	Michael McCartney*	Cody Yeager	Jacob Reider
Chad DeCost	Olivia Morningstar Gray	Cierra Burchett-Norquist*	Lenox McConaughey*	<u>5th Grade</u>	Heidi Reppart
David Duffy*	Connor Natali	Brenden Carnahan*	Nadia McCoy	Jeremiah Adams	Malakai Roberts
Ashton Dunbar	Alivia Ochsenbine	Chandra Clay	Nathan McGarry	Olivia Ancell	Chloe Rose
Zaidan Flanigan	Allessaundra O'Malley*	Joshua Collins	Michelle McWilliams	Emily Blattel	Peyton Royal
Jacob Frederick	Mason Parks*	Seth Conley	Helena Meeks*	Jordan Brewster	Justin Rutherford
Matthew Goldner	Melia Patterson	Mallory Cook	Connor Meyer	Kristen Calderwood*	Makayla Salsgiver
Haley Hall	Adam Pettry*	Samuel Cordner	Abrianna Miller	Dominick Canzonetta	Brent Sanderson II
Brynley Harris*	Noah Pettry	Kristen Corvin	Leon Miranda	Nicholas Clementi	Dylan Shiflett
Bryson Harris*	Lauren Phillips	Taylor Cullison	Mark Munroe	Rachel Davidson	Natalie Sisler
Faith Hartman	Summer Pumphrey	Hailey Culver	Bethany Nowak	Madison DeBolt	Nathan Smith*
Justin Haslar	Benjamin Putro*	Mya Currence*	Allison Pawcio	Caleb DeVault	Ashley Taylor
Joshua Hinkle	Ethan Reider	Zoey Daniels	Isaac Perks*	Tiana Drake	Brant Taylor
David Homan*	Nelli Richardson	Cole Faler*	Rylee Pettry	Matthew Engler	Carragan Timko
Dylan Host	Ethan Rosier	Brandon Fenton*	Elainia Phillips*	Ava English	Noah Weatherman
Haelee Huff*	Allison Rowe	Gabriel Fortney	Colin Price	Tabitha Gillespie	Paige Wilson
Roger Humphrey	Jordan Savon	Damian George	Jonathan Raines*	Destiny Goldner	Gracie Yocum
Nathaniel Huynh	Adison Simeone	Melissa Grantz	Jenna Reppart	Tori Hanshaw	
Shyann Isaac	Caleb Simmons	David Gut	Nate Revis	Faith Hartman*	*All A's—4.0
Landen James	Aiden Slusher	Maggie Guy	Kylee Riedman	Cassandra Hauck	
Kathryn Johnson	Trenton Smith	Aryana Hartman	BriAnna Saner*	Stephanie Helmick	
Tiffani King*	Aidan Stephens	Hayley Hebrock	James Schick	Diamond Hineman- Haak	
Brycen Klotzbach*	Gabriel Tilton	Ky'ra Hedglin	Katherine Sersich	Bethany Holliday	
Mason Koch	Gabriella Tilton	Mackenzie Hurst	Dylan Shahan	Sonny Isaac	