Happy New Year!!

A Message from the Principal:

Dear LIS Families,

Happy New Year! Welcome back to school! We hope you enjoyed your winter break and

found some time to marvel in what the holiday season has to offer!

Now that we are refreshed from Winter Break, our focus will be on academics as we bear down on our core curriculum. We ask that as partners in the education of your child, you continue to check your child's STAR binder/Homework Folder every night and ensure that they are completing their nightly practice.

Parent-teacher conferences are slated for February 11th and 13th. Please plan to join us on one of those evenings just call the office at 330-898-4569 to schedule an appointment. Meeting together is an important opportunity to support student learning and gain a deeper understanding of your child's learning profile.

Sincerely, Milajean Harkabus

SAFETY FIRST

We have been experiencing difficulty with the number of parents who are signing their children out on a regular basis at the end of the day in the office. We have a permanent pick up process in place to help with this problem for students being picked up more than 2 days a week.

Our reasons for this are because:

- 1. We do not have sufficient room for the number of adults waiting in the office and for safety reasons we ask that parents do **not wait** in the classroom hallways.
- 2. Buses are picking up special needs students in the front of the building.
- 3. We need to keep LaBrae buses on schedule <u>without</u> shortening the school day.

Thank you for your cooperation with this matter!

LIS Spelling Bee:

Teachers will be holding their L.A. classroom spelling bees in January. Each classroom champion speller will participate in our school spelling bee on January 23rd. The winners of our school spelling bee will go on the participate in the County Spelling Bee. The date along with more information will be announced later.

Ms. Milajean Harkabus Principal And Mrs. Darla Arnold Secretary

Message from the Nurse:

The flu is here and it is aggressive. Please check for influenza information at <u>www.cdc.gov</u>. If you, or your children, have not received flu shots it is not too late to do so. Check with your health care provider to see if they recommend a flu shot for your family members. Please monitor your children for signs and symptoms of flu. Reinforce frequent hand washing, covering coughs & sneezes, and proper tissue disposal. Avoiding crowds during cold & flu season is also a good idea. Mrs. Harper

Upcoming Events:

January 20, 2014 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (NO SCHOOL)

January 23, 2014—Spelling Bee at 1:45 pm.

January 24, 2014—*Early Release at 1:00 pm*. End of 2nd Semester

January 31, 2014—Report Cards Go Home

The following students met and in many cases exceeded our goal of spending 2 hours completing lessons on the i-Ready Program over the long Christmas Break. All together, LIS students spent 156 hours completing lessons. 5th Grade had the highest number of hours at 83:32! The students meeting the goal will be treated to a Taco Bar Lunch made by the teachers on January 24th and one get out of Homework/Nightly Practice Free Pass! Mara Kujala and Tyler Champlin had the most hours completed and will receive gift certificates for Regal Cinemas! The rest of the student's names will be placed in a drawing for 10 single movie tickets. Keep up the good work!

NAME	HOURS
Kujala, Mara	7:52
Champlin, Tyler	6:17
Burchett-Norquist, Cierra	4:59
Davidson, Riley	4:46
Dewberry, Aaron	4:28
Pawcio, Allison	4:24
Bucci, Breeanna	4:17
Wood, Joshua	3:32
Myer, Connor	3:32
Saner, BriAnna	3:28
DeArmitt, Lindsey	3:25
Pettry, Rylee	3:22
Reppart, Jenna	3:18
Wilson, Amanda	3:13
Duffy, David	3:03
Bailey, Ian	3:03
Thomas, Leah	2:41
Shook, Caylie	2:34
Haslar, Xander	2:28
Nowak, Bethany	2:17
Bell, Gabriel	2:16
Barnhart, Amira	2:14
Airwyke, Cobey	2:13
Allen, Desirae	2:12
DeArmitt, Logan	2:00
Corvin, Kristen	2:00
Armstrong, Savannah	2:00