

Hello MAY

LIS May Family News

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Welcome Back Mr. Diaz

We were all excited here at LIS to welcome back Mr. Diaz after Easter. We are so happy that he is feeling better and ready to go!!!



May Calendar Events

- May 1-5 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 5/2 & 5/3 Math State Testing
- 5/4 Vision to Learn
- 5/9: PTO Popcorn Pick Up & PTO Meeting 6:00 -Bascom
- 5/18- Clean Up Day (Gr. 5)
- 5/19-Scrapper's Field Trip (Gr. 5)
- 5/22- Test Results to District
- Talent Show Auditions
 - Application Deadline 5/5
 - Auditions: (Wed) May 10th
 - Dress Rehearsal- (Th) May 5/25
 - Talent Show- (Fri) 5/26 at 1:30
- 5/29 (Mon) No School
- 5/30 Minute to Win it (Tues) 1:30
- 5/31 (Wed) 5th Grade Breakfast
 - Kona Ice 10:30
 - Awards 1:30
- 6/1 (Thurs) Last Day for Students
 - Early Release
 - Dodge Ball 9:00

April

HIGHLIGHTS



*Friday Viking Store -
Redeeming Vouchers*



*Thank You to Mrs. Adair
for filling in for Mr. Diaz*

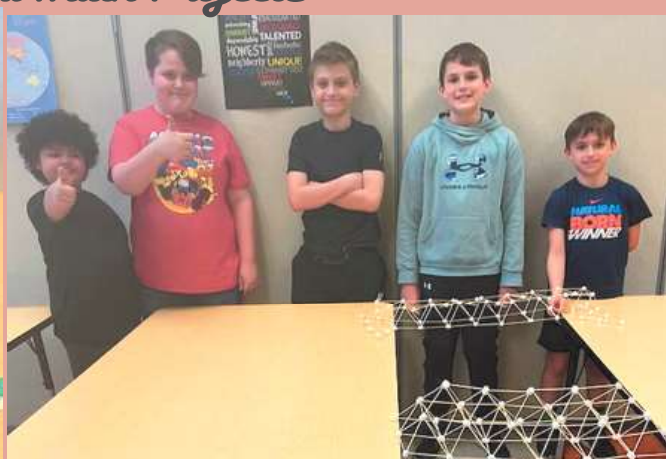


*Grade 5 Aztec Floating
Gardens*



Gifted Math Projects

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Student Council Pie in the Face Fund Raising Incentive

*Thank you to our staff: Ms. Crish, Mr. Nick
Mrs. Sabo and Mrs. Cusimano for being
such good sports!*





Staff Appreciation Week-May 1-5

Administrators and PTO Members are planning a special week of recognition and celebration for our staff. It follows a destination theme with special surprises each day of the week. Let your child's teacher know how much you appreciate all they do!

LIS State Testing for Math is Tuesday, May 2nd and Wednesday, May 3rd. Please make sure your students are here, well-rested and ready! Results may be back to districts by May 22nd!

*Vision to Learn rescheduled for May 4th
This program provides screening and eyeglasses for our students. This is the final day.*

Welcome

*Familiar Face In a New Role!
Mr. Martin Kelly
Intermediate Principal
(beginning August 2023)*



You may have already heard that beginning in August of this year, Mr. Martin Kelly, who is currently the Middle School Principal at the Middle school will be moving to the Intermediate Building beginning in August.

Mr. Kelly brings a wealth of experience to LIS as well as being a Viking administrator for many years and already part of the LaBrae Family. Welcome Mr. Kelly to the LIS family.

TGRG Retention

The 3rd grade guarantee is back into effect and there are no waivers from the state. Therefore, if your child does not meet the standard for proficiency in 3rd grade, they will be retained. Students have multiple opportunities to demonstrate proficiency including: Fall and Spring State Testing, I-ready diagnostics (given 3 times throughout the year) and we are adding a paper pencil Terra Nova test for those students who have still not passed. Under the law, if students have previously been retained or on an IEP, they can move to 4th grade. If your child has not met proficiency and has not been retained or currently on an IEP, you were sent a letter a few weeks ago notifying you of your child's possible retention under the TGRG. We are awaiting Spring testing results and final diagnostics to make the final decisions concerning retention.

Behavior

At this point in the year, students are very clear concerning expectations for behavior. As we get closer to the end of the year, students can and will be excluded from the end of the year activities. If they cannot maintain appropriate behavior, they cannot participate. The end of the year activities are an end of the year reward. Students who have repeatedly violated the school code of conduct will be excluded.



*LIS Students of the Month for March
Carmella Michael, Logan Thompson & Keagan Hurst*

3rd Quarter Awards



PTO Dates

Tuesday, May 9th

- Popcorn Pick Up at Bascom
- May Meeting 6:00 at Bascom

**5th Grade Field Trip
May 19th to Scrapper's Game**



Permission Slips deadline
is Friday, May 12th.
Students may be excluded
because of incomplete
work, disciplinary
infractions or unpaid fees.
Handbook pg. 15

*5th Grade Clean Up Day is Thursday- May 18th
They will be doing a Clean Up Day at LaBrae*

LIS Talent Show

Friday, May 26 @ 1:30

- *Applications Available- Sent Home Wed., April 26th*
- *Application Deadline: Friday, May 5th*
- *Auditions: Wednesday, May 10th*
- *Dress Rehearsal: Thursday, May 25th at 1:30*
- *Performance: Friday, May 26th at 1:30*

This year we will once again have an opportunity for students to showcase their talents. The above timeline is for the LIS Talent Show which will kickoff our end of the year activities beginning on Friday, May 26th.

Parking for this event and all other afternoon activities that mark our calendar for the end of the year will be available in the front area and in the parking lot in front of or around the Board offices. Parking is NOT available in the Event Parking because of afternoon bussing. Our activities will not conclude until the end of the day.

Talent Show Audition Application

Scan with your phone! (due 5/5)



Monday, May 29th

NO School

**MEMORIAL
DAY** Remember and Honor ★



Tuesday, May 30th

1:30 pm
Auditorium

Wednesday, May 31st

- *5th Grade Breakfast 9:30*
- *Kona Ice 10:30*
- *Awards Assembly 1:30 p.m. Auditorium*



Thursday, June 1st

- *Last Day for Students and Early Dismissal Day at 1:00*
- *9:00 Class Competition Dodge Ball in the High School Gym*



**Parking
Notice
for all
1:30
Events-
PLEASE
DO NOT
Park in
the Bus
loading
Zones!**



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Dear LIS Families

Somehow it doesn't seem possible that the progress reports for the final quarter are going home this week and we are beginning to gear down for the end of the school year.

I suppose that looking back over my 3 years as principal, this has been more of a return to regular school than the prior 2 years. Those as you know were characterized by constant adaptations and change as we all struggled to work through a new and very challenging circumstance in our country and indeed the entire world. As a district and building, we certainly made lemonade out of lemons and were able to still make significant progress in spite of the many obstacles.

If you follow the newsletter, I know you are aware that this year has also held many challenges as we continue to close the gap for learning loss and also address the social emotional impact these Covid years has had on our students. I am continually grateful for the support team we have in our district from Cadence Care Network and our own mental health leaders here at LIS, who continually intervene and help students develop coping strategies for behavior and social interactions. The focus of education goes far beyond academics. We certainly have shifted our understanding, thinking and interaction with students to intervene in multiple areas that affect learning and behavior. It is this social emotional component that does dramatically impact our student's ability to be successful in all aspects of school. While we have seen growth in the area of social emotional development skills, we do have a ways to go.

As I also wind down from 43 years in education, know that I believe that the course is set by our staff and new administrator to maintain and continue the progress we have made. I am exceedingly grateful for my time here.

My thoughts and prayers will remain continually with you.

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