

# Wednesday Words

Frances Lacy Elementary School

March 12, 2008

*“Frances Lacy Elementary School will inspire and prepare students to achieve their potential.”*

## **Dismissal Reminder from the 2007-2008 Lacy Parent/Student Handbook**

**We must have written permission any time a student’s transportation changes.** *If a child is going home with another student by car or bus, we must have a **note** from both sets of parents. If a child’s transportation changes for that day, please call the office **before 2:30pm** so that the message can be delivered to the child. . Also, **please send a note to your child’s teacher if you need to check them out early.** Office personnel will call the classroom and request that the student come to the office for check-out when the parent arrives. Parents should not take a late-arriving child directly to the classroom nor should they go to the classroom to pick up a child leaving early. **We request that all early check-outs occur before 2:45 PM.** **A Locator Card is on file for each student; students will be released only to the people whose names and signatures appear on the Locator Card as authorized by the parents.***

\*\*\*Following these guidelines will help keep students safe and help to ensure quick and uncomplicated dismissals for both the parents and staff. Thank you.

### **PTA Meeting**

Don’t forget-**PTA meeting is tomorrow night, March 13 at 6:30 in the Media Center.**

Everyone is welcome to attend.

### **Earth Day Project: What Can I do with my Plastic Bags?**

We will be competing with local schools to collect the most plastic bags for recycling. The competition begins on March 10<sup>th</sup> and will end on April 11<sup>th</sup>. We will be collecting **CLEAN and DRY** plastic grocery bags, dry cleaning bags, and newspaper bags. 70 bags= 1 pound of plastic. Let’s teach the children the importance of recycling! Send your plastic recycling items to school with your children and we will turn them in for recycling.

Leslie Tart and Catherine Scott

### **School Social Worker’s Week**

The week of March 2 - 8, 2008 is School Social Worker’s Week. Maria Olsen, our social worker, is always helpful and proactive. Thank you for your contribution to the education of our youth.

### **Lacy Volunteer Tea**

On Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, we will honor all Lacy volunteers from 11:00-12:30 in the Media Center. Lacy is, and always has been, an exceptional place and much of the credit goes to our wonderful volunteers. We appreciate all you do for our school. Sara Morgan, Lacy Volunteer Coordinator

### **YEARBOOK PHOTOS**

If you contributed photos or CDs for the yearbook and you want them back, please pick them up in the yearbook box in the teacher workroom. THANK YOU for all your wonderful photos!! Jonna Maurer

### **THANK YOU TO ALL MATH AND SCIENCE NIGHT VOLUNTEERS!**

Thank you to our many volunteers for Math and Science Night! Our committee: Cab Barkley, Lea Batts, Beth Gullette, Laura Gunter, Joe Kelley, Lisa Kempf, Jonathan Mitchell, Keith Sharp, Pat Sharp, Alice Stubbs, Jayne Teel, Robin White, Gail Willard and Lynn Worley-Davis. Thanks also to Ward Elis for his help with the Mystery Powders! We appreciate the help of our Room Parents and the parent volunteers that helped run the activities the night of the event. Thanks to the Pizza Volunteers, you were great! And finally, thank you teachers and staff for helping make it all happen! A good time was had by all! Patricia Danielsen, Chris Manring, and Shelley Schrum: Co-Chairs

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Globalympics Program**

This week marks the last week of the Globalympics program, which ends this Thursday, March 13. We are well on our way for 100% participation from our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students. We also want to be sure that students who are close to achieving their goals have the time to complete the program. Please give them a little extra encouragement this week to review their *Globalympics Study Guides*. Remember that each level achieved is awarded a certificate and all Ace level winners are awarded a certificate and a medal on the WLACY News. Sissy Smith 781-1407 or Annie Roberts 781-2405

### LACY SPRING CLOTHING DRIVE

The PTA Community Outreach Committee will be organizing the annual Lacy Spring Clothing Drive for the Lacy Community. We will be collecting GENTLY used pants, shirts, dresses, skirts, shorts and shoes. We will NOT be accepting underwear and socks. We will be collecting donations on April 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> during the morning carpool drop-off. The clothes will be distributed April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Look for more details in your Wednesday folders in April. If you have any questions, please call Mary Ann Parrot (786-2572) or Patricia Danielsen (376-3836).

#### P.E. News

The Hoops for heart awards for Friday P.E. classes have arrived. Please remember that only students who raised money for the heart Association will receive prizes, but every student will receive a sticker or certificate. First in Fitness is April 16<sup>th</sup> at Athens High school. The rain date is April 30<sup>th</sup>. Some students have qualified and others are being retested. This Friday, March 14th, weather permitting; Ms Paul will make up the mile run for any students who missed it. The award ceremony for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students who received Presidential and National badges for the fitness test will be held Friday April 11<sup>th</sup>. The time will be announced later. First in fitness participants will be in next Wednesday Words and more info will follow to parents and students.

#### The Character Trait for March is PERSEVERANCE

**PERSEVERANCE** is working hard to reach goals, staying focused even when obstacles are in your way; showing patience and trying again even when in when experiencing delays or difficulties.

**Tips for kids:**

Finish that task you found hard to start or complete.  
Set a goal for the remainder of the school year and stick to it.  
Talk with someone at lunch today you view as “hard to talk to”.

**Tips for parents:**

Tell your child about a time you kept your commitment even though it was hard.

Review and talk about The Tortoise and the Hare.

Research and study Thomas Edison with your child.

**Book suggestions:**

Very Busy Spider, Katy and the Big Snow, Brave Irene, books on John Henry, George Washington Carver or William Wilberforce.

**You may also find WEDNESDAY WORDS available online at: [lacyes.wcpss.net](http://lacyes.wcpss.net)**

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| Monday-Friday    | March 10-14      | 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade Writer-in-Residence                                   |
| Thursday         | March 13         | PTA meeting: 6:30 pm  |
| Tuesday-Thursday | March 18-20      | ITBS testing for 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade:<br>9:00-10:30                       |
| Wednesday &      | March 19         | 4 <sup>th</sup> grades to Oak View: 9:15-1:30 (Wright & Patterson/Jones)    |
| Thursday         | March 20         | 4 <sup>th</sup> grades to Oak View: 9:15-1:30<br>(Holman, Fowles, & Koontz) |
| Friday           | March 21         | Holiday   |
| Tuesday          | March 25         | Capital Opera: K-2: 1:00<br>3-5 2:00  |
| Wednesday        | March 26         | 5 <sup>th</sup> grades to the Poe Center                                    |
| Thursday         | March 27         | Group class pictures  |
| Thursday         | March 27         | Kangaroo Math: grades 2-5<br>3:00-5:00 PM<br>(Robinson/Otersen)             |
| Friday           | March 28         | 4 <sup>th</sup> grade Music Program: 11:10<br>Multi-purpose Building        |
| Monday-Sunday    | March 31-April 6 | Spring Break  |