Lighthouse Elementary

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Mission Statement

Our mission: Empowering all students to succeed in an ever-changing world.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER: Happy Spring! Our students surpassed their reading goal once again this March! It has been great to see them enjoying reading in so many different ways. Reading stimulates their imagination and expands their understanding of the world. It also helps develop language, vocabulary and comprehension skills and prepares children to understand the written word. So keep your kids reading! Enjoy a good book!
Wishing you all a warm and wonderful Spring Break!

POSITIVITY PROJECT: Lighthouse students are continuing to learn all about the Positivity Project and Character Traits. Recently, they learned about the character trait- Enthusiasm. WHAT DOES ENTHUSIASM MEAN? You approach life with excitement and energy. You energize people around you. Those who demonstrate zest and enthusiasm bring an energy and level of intensity to individual and group work. WHY DOES IT MATTER? For individuals, zest and enthusiasm are easily identifiable and highly desirable personality traits. We feel good when we are energized by an activity or opportunity – and we like to spend time with people who are excited about life. Those who demonstrate a high level of enthusiasm are more likely to complete tasks and exceed minimum requirements as a result of their passion. Enthusiasm is contagious. One person's enthusiasm can spark others to think, speak, and act with more energy and conviction.
"Wherever you go, go with all your heart." -CONFUCIUS "Passion is energy. Feel the power that comes from focusing on what excites you."" -OPRAH WINFREY "You can't start a fire without a spark." -BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN

KINDERGARTEN: Parents who have students entering Kindergarten or Young 5's next year go to www.Anchorbay.misd.net to register your students online. Lighthouse has extended office hours to turn in paperwork for new Kindergarteners on April 19th from 4-6:00 PM. Our Kindergarten Transition Night is May 18th with 2 sessions: Last Names A-L 5:30 PM- 6:15 PM, Last Names M-Z 6:30 – 7:15 PM

NO SCHOOL: From April 4th to April 8th, for Spring break. School resumes on Monday, April 11th. No School Friday April 15, for Good Friday.

REPORT CARDS: Will be sent home on April 20th.

ABSENCE: If your child will not be in school please notify the office by 9:00 a.m. Any unreported absence to the office will be recorded as unexcused. Our attendance office telephone number is 586-648-2500 ext. 1901. Excessive absences are reported to the County Attendance officer.

PTG MEETING, Thursday, April 18th at 4:00 PM in our Library.

YEARBOOKS are not included in picture packages. The deadline to order a yearbook is 4/1/22. The cost is $12.00. Yearbooks can be ordered online by going to ybpay.com. Enter code 13981222. If you do not order before the deadline, extras will be limited.

Congratulations to our Kaleidoscope winner Benjamin Marston!

FREQUENTLY USED NUMBERS:, Transportation: 586-725-4220 , **Early Childhood Center:** 586-716-7862, **SACC:** 586-648-2500 X 1909, **Aquatic Center**: 586-716-4623

PEANUT ALLERGY:

Lighthouse currently has students who have been identified as having a Peanut Allergy. This means that he/she would have a severe reaction to peanuts and all derivatives such as peanut oil, ground or nut spices. His/her reaction to these products may be life threatening. Therefore, no peanuts or nut products will be allowed in any of the affected classrooms**.**

MACDONALD PUBLIC LIBRARY CHILDRENS EVENTS:

- Kids Crafternoon, April 5th at noon. Kids can join us to make a variety of fun crafts. No registration is required.
- Science Showcase with Miss Gigi, April 5th at 4 pm: Join their Youth and Teen Library Assistant Miss Gigi for an exciting science activity based around a monthly theme! Registration is required and can be done by calling 586-725-0273.
- Decorate a Flower Pot, April 6th at 5 pm in honor of Earth Day. Registration is required and can be done by calling 586-725-0273.
- Egg Drop Science, April 15th at 11 am: Kids can come to the library to build a device to protect an egg as it is dropped off a ladder. Registration is required and can be

STRONGER Together

THANK YOU, once again, to all our wonderful parents who have donated **cases of water.** We should be able to use our water fountains once again when we return from spring break.

Students have been creating beautiful masterpieces in art, and we are almost out of baby wipes. Baby wipes are used to clean paint, glue, etc. off of tables at the end of each class. We would be extremely grateful if you are able to donate any baby wipes. ~Mrs. Fortune

MACOMB CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS:

April 22, 7:30 PM: The cast of performers and dogs will delight audiences of all ages, with high energy excitement from beginning to end. During the Stunt Dog Experience, you will witness some of the most incredible stunts and behaviors ever performed by dogs. The experience has amazing tricks, big air stunts, comedy antics, dancing dogs, athletic feats, and is the most entertaining show of it's kind! Tickets available at:

https://macb-internet.choicecrm.net/ChoiceCRM.NET/templates/MACB/?event_ids=2012,0#/events

Lighthouse Elementary Calendar

04/01/22	End of Marking Period All Students
4/4 - 4/8/2022	No School Spring Break
04/11/22	School Resumes
4/11-5/20/22	3rd - 5th grade M-Step Window
04/15/22	No School Good Friday
04/18/22	PTG Meeting, Library, 4:00 PM
04/19/22	PGA Golf, LHE Soccer Field, 4-5:00 PM
04/19/22	Kindergarten Enrollment Office Hours 4-6:00 PM
04/20/22	Report cards sent home with students
4/25-5/13/22	NWEA Testing Window
04/26/22	PGA Golf, LHE Soccer Field, 4-5:00 PM
04/26/22	Pioneer Day with Port Huron Museum, Erikson, 9:45-1:15 PM
04/27/22	Pioneer Day Port Huron Museum, Eckstein, 9:45-1:15 PM
04/28/22	Pioneer Day with Port Huron Museum, Chalker, 9:45-1:15 PM
05/03/22	PGA Golf, LHE Soccer Field, 4-5:00 PM
05/03/22	Professional Development Day – No Students in Attendance
05/06/22	PTG Van Thommes Flower Fundraiser Pick up Time TBA

* Dates and times subject to change

REMEMBER, YOU CAN SAVE WATER

When we over water our lawns, the excess water carries pollution into the storm drains and ditches that lead directly to our rivers and lakes. In fact, did you know that each of us uses 77 gallons of water a day? So, what can you do to help? Simple. Follow these tips for simple ways you can help save water.

1. **Water wisely**. Lawns need about one inch of water per week. Over-watering results in shallow-rooted plants that are less tolerant of heat and drought, and more prone to disease. Use a rain gauge and water only when necessary, instead of on a fixed schedule.
2. **Improve your aim**. Adjust your sprinklers to water only your lawn and plants- - -not your driveway, sidewalk, or street.
3. **Use mulch**. Place a thick layer of mulch (4") around trees and plants. This helps retain water, reduce weeds and minimizes the need for pesticides.
4. **Sweep it.** Clean sidewalks and driveways with a broom instead of a hose
   You'll save water and keep unwanted pollutants out of the storm drain.
5. **Put rainwater to work**. Use rainwater to water your plants. Direct downspouts toward your plants and green areas or collect rain water with barrels for use later.
6. **Mow high**. Make your lawn cheaper and easier to maintain by mowing high. (3" is recommended). Longer grass has deeper roots and requires less water.

PEST MANAGEMENT: Applications and treatments for pests by certified applicators occur on the last Friday of the month or when persons are not using the treated areas. In certain emergencies, areas may be treated without prior notice, but you will be provided a notice following such application.

GREEN TEAM: There will be a Green Team Meeting at 8:00 on Wednesday, April 20th. Students will finish their bat box or plant spider plants for classrooms. Green Team members are encouraged to join the Beautification Project on Saturday, April 23rd from 8am-11am or 11am-2pm. Meet near the main doors of the school.