



MUSTANG WEEKLY

Loomis Basin Charter School

August 20, 2009

Direct From the Director...

WELCOME BACK! We are off to a wonderful start. Your children are WONDERFUL! Everyone seems excited to be back and ready for another year. We have grown by 75 students and they all are fitting right in!

The teachers... have done a superb job getting their rooms ready. I don't think I have ever seen so much pop in all the classrooms! Speaking of pop, the teachers keep popping in with glowing comments about their new classes. They just keep gushing about how responsible and together they are. Thank you for having such special children.

PTC... Barbara Webb and Christine Clark have taken the PTC reins this year. Please come to the PTC Meet and Greet prior to Open House on Thursday, August 27th. They will be going over different ways you can support our school. We need your support for our teachers and for all the wonderful activities happening here at LBCS.

Procedures.... A reminder that the first two weeks of school are for **transitioning back into the academic routine**. I have asked the teachers to focus on establishing routines and expectations to lay the foundation for a productive year. So if you hear your students coming home saying all they did was practice procedures, just remember we are establishing good habits for a rewarding year.

H1N1 Virus... One new procedure you will be seeing in the classroom this year, is an increase in hand washing and hand sterilizing to help provide a clean classroom environment and prevent the spread of H1N1. Please ask your child about these procedures. Also, let your child know if you prefer them to use soap over a hand sanitizer. (We will always use soap when there is visible grime.) Or if you have a special type of sanitizer, you may send it in with them to use. For more information about when to keep your child home, please refer to the information posted on our district web-site. We will be posting or sending out information when necessary to keep you as informed as possible. Good hygiene is our best weapon to keeping our children healthy.

Back-to-School Night... is Thursday, August 27th, the goal of Back to School night is for the teachers to convey to parents the class expectations, programs, schedules, and curriculum. This night is designed for parents and guardians only. There will be no supervision available for students.

Finally.... I am sure you are as tired of reading my drop-off and pick-up procedures...I am sure I am writing them in my sleep! Please remember if you are **parking and picking up** 1st-5th graders, please walk around the outside of the auditorium on the Franklin campus side. We have all our **car pick-up** students lining up on the LBCS side of the auditorium and we need to be able to manage the group and not confuse the two groups. THANK YOU FOR HELPING US KEEP OUR STUDENTS SAFE!

I am looking forward to a positive and productive year. Starting next month, I will be hosting Coffee and Chats times, for parents to come and chat about topics relevant to LBCS.

A teacher is a compass that activates the magnets of curiosity, knowledge, and wisdom in the pupils.-- E. Garrison

Get ready to see your students activated....Cindy

**Tomorrow,
Friday August 21st
Minimum Day**

Dismissal Time is 11:30

Please make sure your child knows if he/she is being picked up in the drive-thru lane or in the amphitheater.

UPCOMING DATES

- 8/21 -- Friday, Minimum Day
- 8/27 -- PTC Meet and Greet 5:00
Parents Back to School Night
- 9/1 -- Sombrero Time Starts
- 9/1 -- Music Starts
- 9/3 -- Monart/Science K, 2nd, 4th
- 9/4 -- Monart/Science 1st, 3rd, 5th
- 9/7 -- No School Labor Day Holiday

Please email, **Nurse Keri** (kdavidson@loomis-usd.k12.ca.us), if you need to set up an emergency health care plan and have not done so yet. Please see attached letter from Nurse Keri regarding medications at school.

PTC will be announcing the winner of the T-Shirt Contest at Mustang Round-Up on Friday. Thank you to all of you who entered!

Beginning of the School
Packets due Friday,
August 21st