



# MUSTANG WEEKLY

March 11, 2010

Loomis Basin Charter School

## LBCS Open House

Mark your Calendars New Date... Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup> 2010

### Direct From the Director...

My staff and students would like to extend a THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to making our second annual auction a huge success. The auction committee, PTC, countless volunteers, and donors put on a night LBCS will remember for years to come. What a great time had by all! Thank you for opening your hearts and pockets during these hard economic times. We have this phenomenal school because of you, our students and staff! Thank you for making our vision come true for all our students.

**Students' Voice in their Learning...** is a byproduct of the PYP IB program. Everyone has a need to be heard and to take ownership over what is important to them. This is especially true for children, who often do not feel like they are in control of much in their lives. In a PYP school, teachers work together as a collective group, kindergarten through fifth grade, to come up with concepts that can be looked at by students in different ways. Students then take this concept, and can go about exploring an aspect that interests them. This ownership piece helps the students to become more invested in their studies and learn how to explore things they are curious about on their own.

Students are also asked to self-assess their learning and tell their teachers how they think they did in understanding a topic. This reflection helps kids to see how they can apply what they've learned and start to take action. Giving students choices related to their own learning helps to create a love of learning and an importance to school that is invaluable throughout life.

**Uptain's Update...** will be happening next Thursday, at 8:15am. This is a time to visit and discuss what is happening on campus.

*"If a child is to keep alive his inborn sense of wonder, he needs the companionship of at least one adult who can share it, rediscovering with him the joy, excitement and mystery of the world we live in." ~ Rachel Carson*

Enjoy your child's sense of awe, every time they discover something new! Telling them something is not the same as allowing them to discover. I have found that in general, grandparents do the best job of setting the stage for discovery! Have a great weekend... *Cindy*

### To View This Week's Teacher's Websites

Click Here:

Mrs. Bills [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/juliebills](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/juliebills)  
 Mrs. VanBreemen [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/DeVanBreemen](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/DeVanBreemen)  
 Mrs. D'Ambrosio [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/MrsD](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/MrsD)  
 Ms. Diepeveen [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/ddiepeveen](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/ddiepeveen)  
 Ms. Culhane [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/kculhane](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/kculhane)  
 Mr. VonSpreckelsen [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/jvonspreckelsen](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/jvonspreckelsen)  
 Ms. Alva [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/jalva](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/jalva)  
 Mrs. Sloane [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/esloane](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/esloane)  
 Ms. Lucas [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/blucas](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/blucas)  
 Mrs. MacTaggart [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/kmactaggart](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/kmactaggart)  
 Mrs. Holm [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/sholm](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/sholm)  
 Mrs. Fletcher [www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/pfletcher](http://www.myteacherpages.com/webpages/pfletcher)  
 Mrs. Van de Bogaerde [www.schoolrack.com/mrsvanmusic](http://www.schoolrack.com/mrsvanmusic)  
 Sombrero Time [www.sombrerotime.com](http://www.sombrerotime.com)

## ATTITUDE OF THE WEEK

### APPRECIATION

I APPRECIATE THE WONDER AND BEAUTY OF THE WORLD AND ITS PEOPLE.

### UPCOMING DATES

- 3/18 – 1<sup>st</sup> grade to Crest Theater
- 3/18 – Uptain's Update 8:15 – 9:15
- 3/18 – Assembly for Drama Performance
- 3/19 – Drama Family Performance 6:30
- 3/22 – 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade to Mondavi Center
- 3/25 – IB Parent Meeting 6:00-7:00
- 3/26 -- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Nicolson Blown Glass
- 3/26 – Enrollment Confirmations due
- 3/26 – Yearbook Early Bird Due Date
- 3/29 – Start of Spring Break
- 4/6 – Return to School from Spring Break
- 4/9 – Last Day to Purchase LBCS Yearbook
- 4/15 – 2010/2011 Kindergarten Orientation  
6:00 pm in Multipurpose room
- 4/23 – Father/Daughter Dance

The Magical Land of Oz  
A Musical Based on the Story By L. Frank Baum



Loomis Basin Charter School  
Presenting

LBCS Drama  
Presents

*The Magical Land of Oz*

Friday, March 19, 2010  
@ 6:30 PM

Tickets on Sale in Office  
Starting Monday  
\$3.00 each

Performance on DVD  
Pre-Sale \$10.00  
After performance \$15.00

### 2010-2011

### Enrollment Confirmations...

are going home with the students today... Please fill them out for each student and return them by **Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**.



**L.B.E.F.**

Loomis Basin Education Foundation

### LBEF will be holding the Electronic E-Waste Recycling Drive

**When:** Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010,  
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Where:** Loomis Grammar School,  
3505 Taylor Road, Loomis