



Lake Tapps Elementary School News

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“Educating Every Child for Confidence
Today and Contribution Tomorrow”

Dismissal Every Friday at 1:15

Notes from the Principal

Welcome to another fantastic year at Lake Tapps Elementary! I hope you all had a fun and restful summer. We've gotten off to a great start. We have so many exciting things to do and learn about this year. We are so happy to have your children here at LTES! This year we have a record enrollment, so there are many new faces to get to know.

Parent Orientation is coming! This year Parent Orientation (what was formerly) known as Curriculum Night) will be held on three evenings. Please see our calendar to the right to see what night you need to attend. While our “Eagle Day” on Sept. 1st was for your child, these evenings are specifically designed for parents. Because it is important to us that you attend, children, ages three and older can be dropped off in the gym at **6:25** and parents may then go to the classroom to hear about your child's year. At **7:00**, students will join parents for the last half hour. We hope this format brings up our participation at Parent Orientation to **100%**. Doors will open for Parent Orientation at 6:25, so there is no reason to arrive earlier than that.

We have new staff members to introduce to you. Mrs. Lyndsey Purdy teaches first grade. Mrs. Evanne Aarstad will be teaching in our Reading Essentials/Special Education department, and Mrs. Michelle Smith is our new speech therapist (Yes, she is Mr. Smith's wife!). We are excited to have them join us.

Tomorrow we hold our first Academic Collaboration and Enhancement (**ACE**) day. **Dismissal is at 1:15**. Information was put up on our website outlining options for our students during this time. If you need an Activity Bus after the YMCA Kidz Club, contact the school office. If you haven't yet signed up for Kidz Club, please know that you need to sign up at least **two days** before students enter this program so we have adequate staffing and the Activity Bus can be notified. Our staff thanks you for this gift of time to work together with other teachers and parents.

Again, welcome back!

**PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR
COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

Mark your calendar...



- Sept 11 **ACE Dismissal at 1:15**
- Sept 15 **Parent Orientation** for Mystic Mountain - (Carr, Conwell, Staeheli/Hubler/Focht, Brand, Milliren)
- Sept 16 PTA Meeting at Dieringer Heights
- Sept 17 PTA Cookie Dough Kickoff
- Sept 17 **Parent Orientation** for Tranquil Water - (Purdy, Romano, Crivello/Neubauer, and Keaton/Zulauf)
- Sept 22 **Picture Day**
- Sept 24 **Parent Orientation** for Salmon Run (Stanton, Yardley, Severeid, Stewart, Schroll, and LaValley/Bruil)
- Sept 28 PTA Skate Night 6-8:00 Auburn Skate Connection
- Oct. 9 State Inservice Day - **No School**

Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

For those of you who have dropped off or picked up students this week, you know it can be very congested. It is very important that we all follow the same procedures, for the safety of our children.

DROP OFF:

1. **Children may not be dropped off or enter the building prior to 8:35. There is no supervision prior to that time. Never leave your child unattended before 8:35.**
2. **DO NOT park your car in the drop off/pick up zone. If you need to come into the building, please park in the parking lot and walk in. The area next to the curb is not a parking lot and cars must never be left unattended, as it disrupts the flow of the pick up and drop off, and causes frustration to those cars behind the parked car.**

PICK UP: This year we encourage you to park your car and walk to the pick up area to meet your students. If you can not, then please:

1. **Pull as far forward as possible.**
2. **Never leave your vehicle.**
3. **Have your child enter from the left side and never out in the lane.**
4. **Yield to all buses entering and exiting the property.**
5. **Wait outside for your child, unless it is raining.**