



THE LEPRECHAUN

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Principal's Corner

Welcome to the start of the 2021-22 school year! It's great seeing the boys and girls back on campus! Our first three weeks have been extremely busy. The children are being introduced to grade level curriculums, they have new class routines, participating in safety drills and making new friends. Currently, our student enrollment is over 780 students, and we are getting to know many new faces.

Please keep a watch for this school E-newsletter, The Leprechaun, at the end of every month. This newsletter is our communicator to YOU, and will include IMPORTANT school news and dates. We thank you for taking the time to read each section.

If you have a question or concerns, please feel free to contact the teacher, guidance or administration at 850-921-1265.

Please note that administration receives a high volume of emails/phone calls on a regular basis. We may not be able to respond the same day, but our goal is to respond within 24 hours.

We look forward to serving our families this year.

Mrs. Wagner, Principal



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DATES TO REMEMBER

8/30-9/12	Virtual Scholastic Book Fair
9/2/21	Virtual Open House
9/6/21	Labor Day Holiday— No school!
9/15/21	
9/16/21	Fall Holiday— No School!
10/15/21	End of First 9 Weeks
10/18/21	Teacher Planning Day No school!

Do you want to know what's happening at KLES?
Find us on FACEBOOK

Search for "Principal Wagner" profile or click on this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Principal-Wagner/100005521488149>

Visit us on the web: www.leonschools.net/killearnlakes

COUNSELOR'S C O R N E R



Hello Killlearn Lakes families!

Welcome to a new school year! It has been so good to see all of the kids back, ready to learn and have fun! For the month of August, we have been discussing the character trait integrity and how it is always important to do the right thing, even when no one is looking! Kindergarten through Second grades have also been doing a fun lesson where they learn all about how the school counselor can help them. They have had a great time being back in my classroom and are already getting into the swing of things.

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out to me anytime if you feel like your child needs assistance with anything!

My email is millerb2@leonschools.net. I am always here to help if I can!

Mrs. Miller, Guidance Counselor

PIKMYKID APP

PikMyKid App is used for dismissal every day. Each day, parents will access the app as they enter the side roadway (next to the church) to announce that you are at the school.

At 2:45 p.m., if you have selected the "announce" button, your child(ren) will be released from the classroom to travel to their dismissal area.

This is to make our normal and rainy day dismissal car line move more efficiently.

Dismissal changes made through the App should also be addressed in an email to the teacher.

ART UPDATES

So ends the first month of the school year.

ALL classes made Van Gogh inspired sunflowers for their teachers to kick off the new school year! "On your mark! Get set! GOGH!" They look great!

Kindergarten and First Grade students sculpted Olympic Gold Medals which is an assignment I only do every four years! (or in the this case, five! Ha!)

Second and Third grade students finished their landscape projects. Every one of them should be able to describe the "horizon line" if you ask. We will segue into a unit on cityscapes next.

Fourth and Fifth grade students finished an intellectual Art Critique and will follow that up by working on X-ray portraits. If the amount of detail these kids put into their work looks complicated to you, that's because it is.

Until Next Time,

Mr. Penn



Physical Education News

Hello from the PE department and welcome back to school! Mrs. Hickman and Ms. Dennis are excited to see everyone back on campus! We also want to thank all of our parents for their support with our student's shoe selection for PE days. Most of our students have had on appropriate shoes for being outside on our fields! It is also still very hot, so dressing for the weather is helpful as well.

Our plan is to spend the month of September in our Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Bus Safety unit. Third through fifth grade students that have bike helmets will need to get them out, make sure they fit and have their names in them, in order to be ready to ride. We will also have helmets for students to borrow during PE as needed.

Please continue to have your child wear appropriate clothes and athletic shoes on PE days and contact us with any questions that you might have.

The PE Department
Mrs. Hickman
Ms. Dennis



Reminder for Car Drop-Off (in rear of school):

1. Please pull all the way forward.
2. Once inside the back gate and the vehicle has stopped, children can exit the vehicle.
3. As a courtesy, staff will do our best to assist younger grades (Kindergarten and 1st) to exit vehicles.

Reminder for Gate Drop-Off (in front of school):

- You must park and walk students up to the campus.
- Students may not be dropped off in the front bus lane.



Killearn Lake Elementary's Virtual Book Fair 8/30-9/12

Dear Parents and Families:

The Scholastic Book Fair is back! While the Fair will be held online this fall, we're so excited to connect our community through the joy of reading and create a fun virtual experience for our kids.

Our Virtual Fair will feature:

- A fully virtual Book Fair experience where you and your child can browse nearly 300 titles by grade, meet popular authors, watch book videos, and discover the magic of reading.
- Direct access to over 5,000 additional titles with family-friendly prices at the Scholastic Store Online
- Rewards that benefit our school directly—25% of every purchase will go back to our school community.

We can't wait to bring the magic of storytelling to **Killearn Lakes Elementary**. Check out our Virtual Store to learn more and get a head start on stocking your bookshelves!

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/killearnlakeselementarysch1>

Ms. Roddenberry, Media Specialist

Mask Mandate 8/30/21

Based on LCS Policy 8450, the Superintendent is authorized to implement safety protocols for students and employees for the control of contagious diseases. These protocols include but are not limited to the circumstances in which face coverings are required as well as documentation to obtain a medically necessary exception.

If you have questions, please contact KLES Administration.



IN CLASS SAFETY

If you recently tested for COVID-19, please do **not** RETURN TO SCHOOL until you receive a negative test result.



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"No person shall on the basis of sex (including transgender, gender nonconforming and gender identity), marital status, sexual orientation, race, religion, ethnicity, national origin, age, color, pregnancy, disability, military status or genetic information be denied employment, receipt of services, access to or participation in school activities or programs if qualified to receive such services, or otherwise be discriminated against or placed in a hostile environment in any educational program or activity including those receiving federal financial assistance,

KLES Mission Statement

Killearn Lakes Elementary School provides students with an optimal learning environment to create and develop lifelong learners.

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PARENT PORTAL

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER IN FOCUS FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR!

www.leonschools.net/parentportal