Scott Polen Principal

Darrell Erb Vice Principal



#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

12/8-9 - RiverStars performance of "Candyland" at LBMS

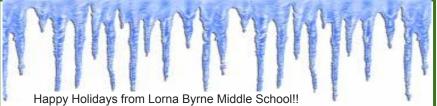
12/14-16 - Artisans Holiday Faire

<u>12/24-1/4/19</u> - WINTER BREAK, NO CLASSES

## Spotlight On: Jenny Wallace

This month's spotlight shines on a true daughter of the Illinois Valley, Mrs. Jenny Wallace. Mrs. Wallace was born and raised in Cave Junction, and has lived here her entire adult life. She attended all the area schools, as have her three kids, one of whom attends LBMS. Jenny is one of our Life Skills education assistants, and finds her work very rewarding. In her time away form LBMS, she enjoys reading, cooking, and "binge watching" Netflix. She's been married for 22 years, and really enjoys camping, hiking, and hunting with her husband and children. She really enjoys working at Lorna Byrne, and seeing the kids every day. Thanks for all you do, Mrs. Wallace!!





I am happy to report that with the holidays are looking us straight in the face, Lorna Byrne is in better shape now than at any other time during my tenure as principal. First quarter parent conferences were a big success... our attendance grew 20% from last year, that's great news! Additional good news is that we are in the midst of our first year of afterschool programs, funded by the 21st Century grant. This grant provides our school with quality activities for students after school, from 3:45-5:30. Many of our students are already taking advantage of these classes, both in academic and enrichment activities.

Furthermore, our school is working hard at sharpening our self-regulation skills. Teachers, staff, & students are all being taught, and asked to use, positive practices to nurture their emotional well being. Because of our commitment to this process, we have provided additional part time staff to assist in promoting this positive mindset. Tawana Grabarz, Kristen Vidales, Robin Houser, and Stephanie Tarzian from Options are all present on campus to help students deal with conflicts, and stay on course toward success both with their academics and their emotions.

Right around the corner, on March 2nd, Lorna Byrne is proud to host the Three Rivers School District Battle of the Books competition. We are very excited and look forward to this terrific event. If you would like to help us in this endeavor, please contact Mr. Jensen in the Library for information regarding volunteering during this event..

Wishing all of you Happy Holidays from everyone here at Lorna Byrne Widdle School!

- ✓ OFFICE HOURS: 7:30 3:45
- ✓ MORNING HOMEWORK HELP: 7:45 8:30
- ✓ AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING: TUES & THURS



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Make sure to check the Josephine County Library website to find all sorts of fun and educational events at:

https://josephinelibrary.org/branches/illinois-valley/







#### <u> ParentVUE & StudentVUE</u>

ParentVUE and StudentVUE are websites that offer secure, private access to school and student information, including assignments, grades, attendance, school calendar and teacher contact details. In ParentVUE, you can see information for all of your students.

To create an account, navigate to:

www.threerivers.k12.or.us/parentportal

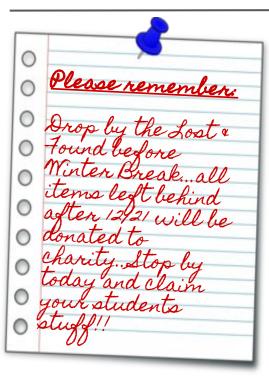


Please call the school first for your activation key!



12/19 - @RVA (JV SOUTH

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#### InTouch

InTouch is used to send out important messages about school closures and school events. When you get an automated call from LBMS using this program, it is important to say "Hello" as this triggers the message to start. If you have voicemail, it will leave a message. Please listen to the message in its entirety, then call the school for any unanswered questions. If you have an email on file with LBMS, we often send emails as well. InTouch is also used for attendance calls. If your student has been marked absent in any class, the system will call you to make you aware of this absence. Please listen to the message in it's entirety before calling the school

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### <u>FROM THE</u> <u>OFFICE STAFF</u>

Recently, we are experiencing problems with students attending after-school basketball games without a parent or guardian.

There have been complaints from parents and guardians who do attend games, reporting that many students are using foul language, running about campus, or even leaving campus to go downtown during the games. This is a safety issue for children whose parents and guardians are not attending games with them.

We can no longer allow students to attend games without a responsible parent or guardian.

Students are not allowed to remain on campus after school to wait for games - school ends at 3:35 PM and our campus closes at 3:45 PM.

Unless a student is attending
After School Programs until 5:20
pm, students are expected to
leave campus and return again to
the game with a parent or
guardian who will act as the
responsible party.



"Rent a house and snowboard in Bend." - Chiara Miller

"Go and see family in California." - Emily Flores

"We have a new tradition: Christmas Eve at our new house!" - Mrs. Crowl

"Go to my Grandmas house and bake a cake for Jesus." - Hailey Cooper

Steps of Success (SoS) After school
Tutoring with Kristin Vidales of
Healthy U!!

If your student would like to participate in after school tutoring Mondays & Thursdays, have them

stop by the LBMS library for a permission slip or contact kristen.healthul@gmail.com for

more information.



# LOVE TO READ?? LIKE TO COMPETE??

# THEN DO BATTLE OF THE BOOKS!!!

We begin quiz practice after winter break...so read those books!!!

The Oregon Battle of the Books, or OBOB, is a statewide voluntary reading motivation and comprehension program sponsored by the Oregon Association of School Libraries in conjunction with a Library Services and Technology Act grant. Students in 3rd - 12th grade, regardless of ability, are exposed to quality literature representing a variety of literary styles and viewpoints. The mission is to encourage and recognize students who enjoy reading, to broaden their reading interests, to increase reading comprehension, promote academic excellence, and to promote cooperative learning and teamwork among students.

Please Remember...

Last day of school prior to Break is Dec. 21st... Please sure your student turns in or renews his or her library books that are due during the holidays, Dec. 24th thru Jan. 4th to avoid overdue fines... Happy Holidays!!











#### Holidays in United States, Lorna Byrne Middle School Calendar, Three Rivers School District

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