



LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL

VIKING NEWS

January 2019



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Dates To Remember:

1/1/19 - New Years Day

1/7/19 - Classes resume

1/21/19 - Martin Luther King Day -
NO CLASSES

1/31/19 - End of second quarter

Spotlight On:

Fred Luvano

Our spotlight this month is on one of our awesome Life Skills assistants, Fred Luvano! He was born in Oakland, CA and grew up a little bit away in Pittsburgh, CA. He has been at LBMS for 2 years, and absolutely loves it!! In his off time, he likes to cook, draw, and hike..especially around old historic towns. He would like to say "thank you to all the kids at LBMS for making everyday fun and exciting. I wouldn't want to be anywhere else. Each and every one of you guys rock!!" We think you rock too, Mr. Freddie!!!

Dear Lorna Byrne Families,

Welcome back!! We hope everyone had a restful and joyous holiday!

I would like to let you all know that with this new year, the staff and I will be focusing on attendance, what I believe is the cornerstone of a good education. Students should not be absent more than five days per year. Simply put, kids cannot learn if they are not here. The research proves this. Please take a look at these statistics:

- *A student who is five minutes late to school every day will miss 15 hours of instruction during the school year.*
- *It may take up to 5 years for a chronically absent kindergarten student to catch up to peers*
- *If a ninth grader misses only 5 days per semester, their chance of graduating is reduced by 25%*

These facts are certainly eye-opening. That is why the staff and I are renewing our resolve to improve attendance here at LBMS. We want your students to succeed, and being at school every day is the beginning of that success. Of course, we realize absences are sometimes necessary, so here are a few tips for when an absence cannot be avoided:

- *If your child has a doctors appointment, please request a note from the doctor...this will keep the absence from counting against the student.*
- *Bereavements and legal proceedings will not count against the student, but please notify us in these cases.*
- *If the student is going to miss school more than six days, please contact the office to make arrangements regarding your child's classwork.*

We here at LBMS look forward to continuing this journey that is the 2018-2019 school year, and I hope you will join me in making regular attendance a priority the rest of the way. As always, I thank you for letting us teach your children, and allowing us to be part of their lives.

Here's to a wonderful and productive 2019!!

Mr. Polen

- ✓ **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/>

LBMS Wrestling Schedule

1/22 @FLEMING

1/12 @MAC

1/29 @SCENIC

1/31 HOME



LBMS Girls Basketball Schedule

1/23 @NEW HOPE

1/28 @APPLEGATE

1/30 @RUCH



DECEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

EMMA GREEN, 5TH
BILLY HOLCOMBE, 5TH
KAITLYN WHITE, 6TH
BRYSON GILMORE, 6TH
LYILA MURPHY, 7TH
HANNIBAL BOHMKER, 7TH
BECCA MACRI, 8TH
TABOR BRAATEN, 8TH

LOGAN LINDGREN, 8TH

GREAT JOB!!!!



ParentVUE & StudentVUE

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!

LBMS IS EXCITED TO INTRODUCE OUR NEW GIRL'S BASKETBALL CO-COACHES FOR 2019...AMANDA CROWL AND LACY KABERLINE! MRS. CROWL IS ONE OF OUR 5TH GRADE TEACHERS, WHO BRINGS A GREAT LOVE FOR SPORTS AND THE KIDS TO THE TABLE. MRS. KABERLINE COACHED BOTH AT LORNA BYRNE AND IVHS BACK IN THE DAY...BOTH ARE LBMS ALUMNI, AND THEY CAN'T WAIT TO GET STARTED!!

"WE ARE BOTH EXCITED BEYOND WORDS TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH THESE GREAT STUDENT ATHLETES...WE HOPE TO SEE ALL YOU FAMILIES AT THE GAMES, CHEERING US ON!!!!"

GOOD LUCK, COACHES!!!!

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 its entirety before calling the school

FROM THE OFFICE STAFF

Recently, we've been 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.*

*Does your student need a little extra help with academics?
Then S.O.S and Study Lounge
with Kristen Vidales from
Healthy U are for them!*

*S.O.S meets Tuesdays after
school, 3:35-5:30...
Study Lounge meets Thursdays
after school, 3:35- 5:30
Contact Kristen @
kristen.healthyU@gmail.com or
stop by the LBMS office to
sign up.*



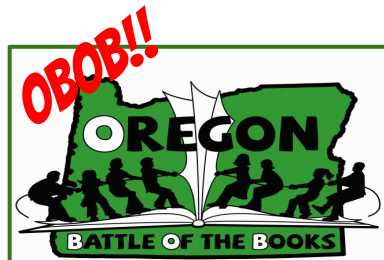
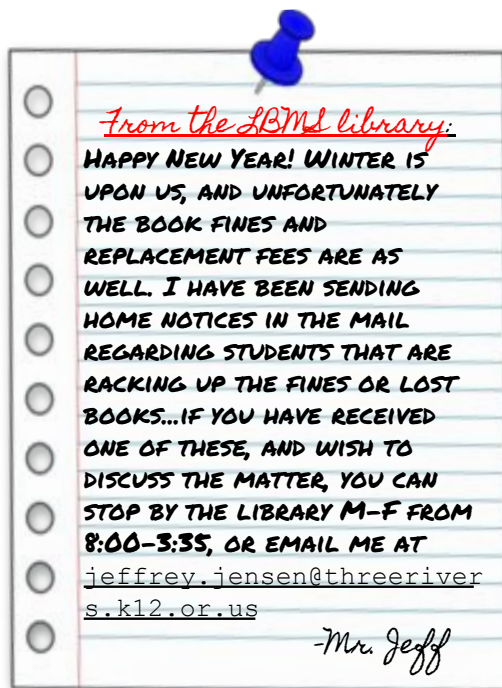
Viking Voices "Do you have a New Years Resolution?"

Jessica Kniffin: "To be less indecisive."

Kaylee Robertson: "Get better at my musical instruments."

Taylor Hanson: "Get a job, so I can have my own money."

Miss Julie: "To listen more and talk less."



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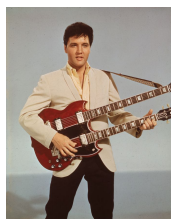
**AS PART OF OUR 21ST CENTURY AFTER
SCHOOL PROGRAMS, WE WILL BE HOLDING
OBOb PRACTICES EVERY MONDAY,
BEGINNING JANUARY 14TH!!!**

This is an opportunity for our students who have committed to reading 7 or more books by January 7th to go over and practice the quiz questions that will be used during our district battle...

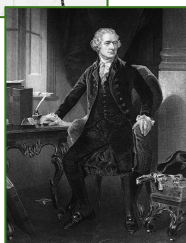
Speaking of our district battle, LBMS is proud to announce that we will be hosting the return of the Three Rivers OBoB District battle, to be held on Saturday, March 2nd!!!...We are very excited about this wonderful event coming to the Illinois Valley. If you are interested in volunteering your time to help us put on a successful battle, please contact Jeff Jensen, LBMS Library Manager and OBoB coach at 541.592.2163 or email at: jeffrey.jensen@threerivers.k12.or.us and he'll get you all signed up!!



Muhammad Ali



Elvis Presley



Alexander
Hamilton



Virginia
Woolf



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Historical January Birthdays