

LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL - VIKING VIEWS

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WORDS FROM MS. HUISH

I am very excited that we have secured the Siskiyou Community Health Center Dental Van to come to LBMS. This is something that has typically been done at Summer School with a smaller population. However, I feel it needs to be available for all students. They have consistently done this procedure at Evergreen Elementary for the past few years and it is always a success. To my knowledge, there is not another middle school in TRSD that does this for their students. I personally feel it is important for our kiddos to still have this service available for them as they enter middle school, particularly so as federal funds are available for them to get dental work completed all the way up until they are 16! I am hoping that by being proactive with this, our students will be on solid ground for dental health and awareness while being prepared for academics.

So how do you sign up?! Parent permission slips were sent home with students recently. There is a seven day window in which kids need to return their sheets. **The first period class that returns the most completed forms (granting or denying permission for services) will earn a donut party.** I know...I am giving sweet treats out to get kids to go to the dentist. Part of that feels wrong but I would like to see as many kids as possible return their paperwork. Our kids love to go to the health center and this fits right in. Even if you hate the dentist, pretend to like it and encourage your kids to participate as much as possible. The health of their teeth at early ages plays a role in the teeth they have as adults and their overall wellbeing.

Music Dept. Notes

If you have a working musical instruments that you don't play anymore, the LBMS Music Department accepts donations. Flutes, clarinets, saxophones, trumpets, trombones, etc. are all desirable instruments needed to keep our music program functioning. Please contact Mr. McKee at 541-592-2163, extension 3039 to discuss your musical instruments.



ATTENDANCE

If your student is ill or must be absent, please **be sure to phone** the LBMS Attendance Office and let us know. **PHONE 541-592-2163**



Teacher's Corner:

Parents wishing to access students **MATH** textbooks for instructions, additional worksheet copies, or additional packets can go to www.oregonfocus.com and use the following login:

Username for students: threerivers

Student Assist Password: oregon1

This will contain most of the instructional materials coming from LBMS.



A reminder to parents / guardians that the after-school Activity Bus runs on a Straight Line schedule.

The bus will not always be able to bring students to their exact address.

Please phone First Student bus company at 541-476-7733 to inquire of the closest drop off location of the Activity Bus, so you can make other arrangement if necessary.

Child Find for Special Education

Public Law 105.17, known as the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), requires that school districts provide a free and appropriate education to all disabled children and young adults from birth through 21 years of age. The Three Rivers School District requests assistance with the identification of any disabled children ages birth through 21 who are not enrolled or currently being served in one of the District's schools.

If you know of any disabled children ages 0 through 21, who are not receiving education services, please phone the Three Rivers School District Special Education Dept. at 541-862-3111 ext. 5202.

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 25 - No classes

March 26 - No classes

March 27 - No classes

March 28 - No classes

March 29 - No classes

May 2 - No classes

May 3 - No classes

May 16 through 24 - Book Fair

May 22 - LBMS Family Night, 6:00pm

May 27 - No classes

May 29 - Spring Concert @ Gym, 7:00pm

Goal-getters!

You can motivate your child to aim higher and accomplish more this year by having him/her set goals that he/she can really achieve. Here are some characteristics of effective goals.

Positive

Framing goals this way can help your middle schooler have a good attitude toward them and encourage him/her to get stated right away. He/She might say, "I will bring assignments home every night" instead of "I won't forget my books at school" or "I will eat healthy on a regular basis" instead of "I won't eat junk food."

Realistic

Your teen will be more motivated if he/she comes up with her own goals that he/she feels are doable. You might want him/her to get an A in English, but he/she may decide that aiming for a B will keep him/her from feeling discouraged.

Specific

Have your youngster list the steps that will help him/her reach a goal and give herself a deadline for each step. For example, he/she might want to be in two plays this year. He/She can put audition dates on her calendar and set aside time to practice his/her lines.

Suggest that your middle grader write down his/her goals and keep the list where they will be reminded of them. He/She might put them inside the cover of his/her planner or post them on the ceiling above his/her bed.

**BRING YOUR FAMILY
TO THE
LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!**

**STARTS THURSDAY, MAY 16TH
ENDS FRIDAY, MAY 24TH**



**STUDENTS MAY VISIT THE FAIR
BEFORE SCHOOL FROM 8:10 A.M. UNTIL 8:40 A.M.
AND AT LUNCH!**

DON'T MISS OUR SPECIAL EVENT AT

FAMILY NIGHT

ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT, MAY 22ND FROM

6:00–7:30 PM

"LOOK FOR OUR 25¢ USED BOOK TABLE"

Shopping List:

Please make sure your child has paper and two sharpened pencils each day.

~ Mrs. Unger

LAST MINUTE CHANGES

All bus changes and after school plans must be phoned in to the LBMS office prior to 3:00p.m. In order for your students to receive notification of the change in plans, you must give the office time to prepare and distribute a note. We appreciate your consideration of this new procedure.

SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Oregon Books & Games has a great selection of items for your student, friends & family! Their partnership program provides direct credit to LORNA BYRNE which helps us buy new books for the library.

The program works in this fashion. Any supporter who mentions LORNA BYRNE when making a purchase, triggers a donation of 5% of the total purchase to the LORNA BYRNE account. When Lorna Byrne supporters order books online at oregonbooks.com just add the school name in the comments section or mention it when picking up the books.

As an example of how all this works, if we have 50 supporters buying \$10.00 worth of books each month, our library would have \$300 during the year to spend!

Thank you for your support – HAPPY READING!

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