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### DATES TO REMEMBER

- 4/2 – TRACK PICTURES
- 4/13 – HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION CEREMONY
- 4/18 – BATTLE OF THE BOOKS
- 4/24 – 3<sup>RD</sup> TRIMESTER PROGRESS REPORTS
- 4/30 – MS/HS CONFERENCES  
NO CLASSES  
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR  
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- 5/5 – CINCO DE MAYO FAMILY NIGHT  
SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR
- 5/8 – 7<sup>TH</sup> GRD FIELD TRIP
- 5/12 – SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR ENDS
- 5/22 – STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY  
NO CLASSES
- 5/25 – MEMORIAL DAY  
NO SCHOOL
- 5/27 – SPRING CONCERT
- 5/28 & 5/29 – 8<sup>TH</sup> GRD FIELD TRIP  
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- 6/4 – IVHS GRADUATION
- 6/8 – MOVING UP CEREMONY
- 6/9 – END OF 3<sup>RD</sup> TRIMESTER  
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

### *Here's what's inside:*

1. HONOR SOCIETY
2. 3<sup>RD</sup> TRIMESTER CONFERENCES
3. TRACK SCHEDULE / SPORTS INFO
4. 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FIELD TRIP
5. 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FIELD TRIP INFO
6. 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE MOVING UP INFO.
7. 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FIELD TRIP
8. PBS
9. LBSBHC NEWS
10. BOOK SHARE PROGRAM
11. CINCO DE MAYO
12. JOB COUNCIL OPPORTUNITIES
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16. TRSD & LBMS/ PARENT COMPACT
17. STUDENT ABSENCES & EXCUSES

### **WORDS FROM MR. CROWSON.....**

#### *Cell Phone Use in Schools*

*The issue of cell phones was never talked about when I was in school. Back then the phone weighed almost 10 pounds, was the size of a small duffel bag, had an antenna 2 feet long and it cost a fortune to buy and use. That is not the case these days. Today phones are smarter, smaller, inexpensive and convenient. I have even heard people say, "I can't imagine life without a cell phone". Oh, how times have changed.*

*Cell phone use in schools have become an increasingly "Hot Topic" with school districts and legislators. With the increased ease of cell phones in our society the increase of cell phone abuse is on the rise as well. Cell phones are used to bully, harass, threaten and harm.*

*What can you do as a parent to prevent cell phone abuse? Below is a list questions you should be able to answer with your son or daughter to improve cell phone use in your family and in our schools.*

*What is the need my child has for a cell phone? Is the need convenience or necessity? Is this for emergencies only? Who will they talk to? What will happen to the phone during school hours? Does it need text messaging? Who will they be sending text messages to? What will they be texting? Why does my child need a camera/video phone? Can I monitor the use of the camera and the photos they take? Do I know all the capabilities the phone has? Does it have internet access? Can I disable the internet access?*

*If you cannot comfortably and easily answers all these questions and communicate them with your son or daughter, then they should not have a cell phone. If a teen needs a cell phone for emergencies then invest in a "Pay as you go" phone without text or picture capability. You will be able to monitor the usage more effectively and not have to worry about using it in class to text message or to take those inappropriate or illegal pictures. Safe and appropriate uses of technology are new issues that schools and families must address as partners. Let's help each other make our children's online/mobile world a safer and more responsible place to be. Please check with our office for LBMS policy.*

*Sincerely,*

*Damian Crowson  
Principal*

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## LBMS 2008-2009 Honor Society

The Honor Society is growing. We just added twenty-one sixth graders. Congratulations Sixth Grade Students! I have talked to the students and they are bringing a letter home. We added four more seventh graders and one more eighth. Congratulations to all of you students!

All of these new members will be inducted on **Monday, April 13 from 2:15 - 3:00 p.m.** The ceremony will take place in the gymnasium. We hope you will be able to attend. There will be a CD that you may purchase for five dollars, thanks to Mr. Talty's video class.

Our meeting on March 20 went great with all of our seventy-one members. The students participating in the Induction Ceremony were given their parts. We will have a couple of practices during school hours before the ceremony. Please encourage your student to practice their part at home.

Thank you for the support you give your students, and LBMS. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 592-2163 ext. 3057.

Charlotte Baker  
National Junior Honor Society Advisor

## 3<sup>RD</sup> TRIMESTER CONFERENCES THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2009

**We will be sending a flyer home with your student in the near future regarding conference times.**

**This will be the last conference of the school year. Mark your calendar.**

**Also~~~**

### ***Scholastic Book Fair***

**Will be held in the Library, and open during Conferences for you to check out the books and goodies that will be available for purchase.**

**Remember, all proceeds go toward the purchase of more books for our Library.**

## Sports briefing.....



### TRACK & FIELD:

3/31 -	@ NVHS	3:45
4/8 -	@ HVHS	5:00
5/21	@ EPHS	4:00
5/22 -	@ White Mtn.	4:00

### CONFERENCE MEETS

5/28 -	Girls @ N. MED. HS (Hedrick MS hosts)	3:30
5/30 -	Boys @ EAGLE PT. HS (Eagle Pt. MS hosts)	3:30
5/2 -	FINALS @ CRATER HS (Scenic MS hosts)	9:30

### 2009-2010 FALL SPORTS



Fall Sports (Football & Volleyball) preparations are under way. More information will go out as it becomes available.

If your student is interested in participating, he/she must have all of their paperwork completed before the first practice, which will be the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school. Packets will be available about the middle of August. Participation payment must be made or arranged before they can actually compete.

### ***WHAT YOU AND YOUR STUDENT CAN DO NOW TO PREPARE.***

Remember, sports physicals are good for two years.

If your child is in need of a physical, please contact your physician plenty of time before the sport begins. You may also contact the Student-Based Health Center to set up an appointment.



## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Class will take their end-of-the year field trip to see the Trees of Mystery in northern California. They will also spend some time playing at the beach in Crescent City, California. Watch for paperwork to come home with your student.



Pictures provided by Oregon Coast Travel Guide & Trees of Mystery

## 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE MOVING UP MONDAY, JUNE 8<sup>th</sup>

Plans are in the works in preparation of this year's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Moving Up ceremony.

More information will be sent home with 8<sup>th</sup> grade students regarding the plans for this event.

In honor of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students leaving our "LBMS nest" and moving to the next phase of their growing years, we have strived to make this event as memorable and enjoyable as possible.

To that end, we encourage parents to help at all phases of this process. Please contact the office if you are available to help. There are so many areas that assistance is needed. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,  
LBMS STAFF



## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Class to University of Oregon Campus and Softball Game Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

7<sup>th</sup> graders will take their year-end field trip to the University of Oregon, in Eugene, Oregon.

They will be touring portions of the campus. They will finish the field trip at a UO vs Arizona State softball game.

Students in good academic & behavioral standing are eligible to attend. Students participated in fundraising projects earlier this year. The proceeds from the fundraising sales help the students and their families by offsetting the cost to attend these events.

For more information, please contact your student's teacher.

Thank you,  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade Team

Pictures provided by GoDucks.com



## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Travels to Great America Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

**The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will repeat their tradition of traveling to Great America, in San Jose, California for their end-of-the-year field trip.**

**Students participate in fundraisers to help with the cost of this trip.**

**Academic and Behavior status plays a major role when determining eligibility to attend this field trip.**

**For more information, please contact your student's teacher.**

Picture provided by GreatAmerica.com

2008-2009 Yearbooks are in the making. They will be available at the end of the school year. Cost will be \$20.00. Reserve yours now and beat the rush!!



### **PBS in LBMS**

#### **FAMILY FUN CENTER GOLD CARD FIELD TRIP – MAY 29TH**

This school year is almost complete, and LBMS students have shown themselves to be Responsible, Respectful, and Safe.

As a staff, we have tried to focus on those students making good choices. The result is a positive climate where everyone is looking for students doing well.

Currently, over 75% of our students have Gold Cards. What does it mean to have a Gold Card? Gold Cards are the ticket to participation in special activities that occur daily, weekly, and by trimester. Students are encouraged to keep their Gold Card on their person at all times. Gold Cards are needed for admission to the gym during free time.

Some Gold Card events include: Cocoa, popcorn, snow cones, cotton candy, and spontaneous treats for Gold Card students during lunch break.

Our Gold Card students enjoy the Electronic Lunch, which is bringing games, phones, etc. to the library during noon break. Each trimester, Gold Card students are awarded a special event, such as swimming at the YMCA, going to a movie, bowling, Family Fun Center, or a barbeque at the beach. We will choose from one of these each trimester to award those students who strive to make Lorna Byrne a positive place to get an education.

In addition, we held the “Lorna Byrne Idol” contest in December, which was great fun and participated by many many students. Students sign up to compete with one another during lunch break singing a karaoke song of their choice. We narrow down the field to semifinals, and then finals, which are held in front of the student body. This has been a great way for our students to demonstrate their amazing musical talents. We are looking at expanding our lunch competitions to dance, talent show, or possibly a Rock Band competition. All of these activities provide our students with a variety of ways to explore their creativity.

The positive climate, which grows as a result of these activities, builds team spirit and a sense of belonging.

We are proud of the students and staff at LBMS, who work so hard to make this a great place to be.

## **LBMS Student-Based Health Center**



### ***IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO ALL PARENTS OF 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS***

*As part of the immunization requirements for the state of Oregon, Tdap vaccine is a requirement for students entering the 7<sup>th</sup> grade in the 2009-2010 school year if it has been **MORE** than five years.*

*Please contact our office, or your health care provider, to schedule an appointment to make sure your student is up-to-date with his/her immunizations.*

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*The hours of operation at LBMS will be as follows:*

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| <i>Monday:</i>    | <i>10:30 - 3:30</i> |
| <i>Tuesday:</i>   | <i>7:00 - 3:30</i>  |
| <i>Wednesday:</i> | <i>10:30 - 3:30</i> |
| <i>Thursday:</i>  | <i>7:00 - 3:30</i>  |
| <i>Friday:</i>    | <i>7:00 - 3:30</i>  |

*If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call our office at:*

**LBMS - 592-2163 x 3030**  
**LB SBHC DIRECT - 592-6978**  
**LB SBHC DIRECT FAX - 592-6702**

**TAG** - Parents of TAG students with questions or concerns are encouraged to contact Julie Barnes who will be coordinating, mentoring and supporting TAG students at Lorna Byrne.





**Book Share Program partners  
LBMS & OregonBooks**

Oregon Books, Grants Pass, OR, is encouraging children to read by providing a partnership program which gives direct credit to LBMS Library, which can be used at any time.

Here's how it works: Any supporter who mentions LORNA BYRNE when purchasing books, 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 schools 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 \$300.00 during the year to spend.

Spread the word!!!

Thank you for your support &  
HAPPY READING



**SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM FOR 2009**

The Job Council is now accepting applications for their Summer Youth Employment & Training Program. Summer service opportunities may include: Work Ethics workshops and paid work experience positions (including some outdoor crew positions). The summer program is open to eligible youth ages 14-24. There are a limited number of summer opportunities available and the deadline for applying is May 22, 2009, or until the positions are filled.

Applications are available for pick up in our front office.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact The Job Council at 541-244-3244.

PLEASE NOTE: It will be the student and their family's responsibility to complete and submit the application packet, along with the required documentation to The Job Council. LBMS will not be processing any of the applications.

***Cinco de Mayo Family Activities Night***  
***Tuesday, May 5, 2009***  
***5:30 – 8:00 PM***

Students & their families are invited to a fun-filled evening of activities in honor of *Cinco de Mayo*. Students MUST accompany their parent/guardian to be admitted. There is no charge for this event.

The evening will begin with an enchilada dinner at 5:30 PM in the LBMS cafeteria. There will be gift certificate drawings for local business.

From there participants will go to various rooms throughout the facility for individual projects/activities.

Also ~ For your entertainment, the Learning Through Arts organization has planned a terrific presentation with the theme being *Cinco de Mayo*.

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR WILL BE OPEN IN OUR LIBRARY.**



**TITLE 1 PROGRAM  
EXPECTATIONS AT LBMS**

Our school receives federal funds for Title One programs that are part of the No Child Left Behind Act. Under this law, you have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher(s). If you request this information, the district will provide you with this information in a timely manner. You have the right to request the following information:

- If the teacher has met state licensing requirements for the grade level and subjects in which the teacher is providing instruction
- If the teacher is teaching under an emergency status for which state licensing requirements have been waived
- The type of college degree major of the teacher and the field of discipline for any graduate degrees and certificates
- If your child is receiving Title One services from paraprofessionals and if so, his/her qualifications

If you would like this information, please contact Lorna Byrne Middle School.

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## LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIRE

BEGINS - THURSDAY, 4/30/09

Each year, Lorna Byrne Middle School organizes a Spring Scholastic Book Faire, which coincides with our spring-time Parent/Teacher Conferences. This book faire provide students and family members an opportunity to purchase an array of books and other items while attending conferences. This faire also helps our Library by providing money from each sale to purchase more books for our Library.

This year, our school has been fortunate to have additional days available to us for the faire. Please see the schedule below.

We invite family and community members to check out the large assortment of items you just gotta have!!

Please contact Joann Snook - LBMS Librarian, at 592-2163 ext. 3010 for more information.

### ~~~~~ Dates & Hours of Operation ~~~~~

DATE  
4/30/2009  
5/5/2009  
5/12/2009

EVENT STATUS  
Book Fair Begins  
Book Fair Continues  
Book Fair Ends

COINCIDING EVENT  
MS/HS Conferences  
Cinco De Mayo Family Night

## LBMS Music Department

*Spring Concert "CODA" ("LAST ONE")  
May 27th, 7:00 PM in the Cafeteria*

*We invite you and the community to our final performance of this school year.  
Our students have accomplished so much this past year.*

*Mark this date on your calendar. Come and see the rewards of their hard work  
and efforts.*

## TRSD/LBMS SCHOOL - PARENT COMPACT

This compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students of Lorna Byrne Middle School will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

This school-parent compact is in effect during school year 2008-2009.

### School Responsibilities

Lorna Byrne Middle School will:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards.
  - Quality instruction and programs in reading and mathematics
  - Appropriate and effective remedial programs in basic skills
  - Individualized assessment and instruction as necessary
  - A staff committed to meeting the needs of the whole child
2. Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed, as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:
  - October 16, 2008
  - January 23, 2009
  - April 24, 2009
3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:
  - Trimester Progress Reports.
  - School Newsletters
  - Periodical Classroom Progress Reports (as requested by parent or teacher)
4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:
  - Voice mail is accessible to all teachers, who will return your calls promptly.
  - Parent/Teacher staffings are usually held on Mondays & Wednesdays, 8:00 – 8:30 AM. Parents may call to schedule appointments at any time.
  - Class hours are 8:30AM until 3:05 PM Monday through Friday.
  - Office hours are 7:15 AM until 3:30 PM Monday through Friday.
5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:

Parents are encouraged to volunteer and be active members of the Lorna Byrne MS community. Please call your child's teacher to find out about how you may best offer your time and services.

### Parent Responsibilities

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

- Monitoring attendance.
- Making sure that homework is completed.
- Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.

### Student Responsibilities

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, we will:

- Do our homework every day and ask for help when we need to. Give to our parents, or the adult who is responsible for our welfare, all notices and information received by us from our school every day.
- Follow PBS protocol – ***Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible***
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## **J Students**

### **J.JED Student Absences and Excuses**

Policy: JED

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## **STUDENT ABSENCES AND EXCUSES**

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Daily attendance and punctuality are absolutely necessary for a student to gain maximum benefits from his/her educational experience.

Oregon school law supports the Board's view, and restricts excused absences to illness of the student, student medical or dental appointments (confirmation of appointments may be required), illness in the immediate family which requires the student's presence at home, when the tenets of the student's religion require an absence for religious observance of a holiday or emergency situations that require the student's absence. All other absences must meet the approval of the school officials or be treated as unexcused absences. An absence that does not meet the criteria of an excused absence but has been confirmed by the parent will be marked as a "verified" absence.

Absences will only be excused or verified if a phone call is received from the parent/guardian the day the student is absent or a note received in the school office not more than 3 days after the child returned to school.

END OF POLICY

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#### Legal Reference(s):

ORS 109.056  
ORS 339.030  
ORS 339.065  
ORS 339.420

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