# Logan Elementary School Making a Difference

# **Logan PTO News**

# Connecting Parents, Students and Teachers

February 2020



#### **February**

3	100 <sup>th</sup> Day of School
3	Spring Fundraiser Kickoff
3	Creative Arts Contest Begins
13	K-3 Valentine's Day Parties and
	4-6 Stylin' and Profilin' Dance
13	2 hr Early Dismissal
14	No School for Students (Conferences)
17	President's Day – No School
18	Spring Fundraiser Orders Due

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28 Creative Arts Contest Ends

#### March

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5	Spring Book Fair Set-Up After Schoo
6	Book It Forward Book Distribution
6-12	Spring Book Fair
9-13	Breakfast with Buddies - Donuts
13	2 hr Early Dismissal
16	PTO Meeting 7pm, Facebook Live
18	Logan Orchestra Concert 7pm
26	PAWS Night
27	In-Service Day - No School for Students
27	Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

Dr. Seuss Birthday 1904

# April

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1	Science Fair Judging
2	Science Fair Event 6:30-8pm
2-4	EA High School Musical
7	Logan Talent Show Tryouts
9-13	Spring Break – No School
20	PSSAs Begin
20	PTO Meeting 7pm, Logan Library
29	PAWS Night

Science Fair Drop Off





I trust that everyone is enjoying the winter (just kidding). Brrr!! We are starting to experience some very cold days recently, but little snow, cross your fingers. We would like you to know that we make every effort to bring children outdoors as there is nothing better than a run outside in the fresh air. However, when the temperature takes a big dip – children stay indoors for recess. Please make sure your students are dressed appropriately for school. It is our recommendation that the students have a sweater that follows the dress code here at school. Reminder, heavy outside coats and sweaters with hoods (hoodies) are not permitted in school. A copy of the updated dress code can be obtained on our website: <a href="www.eawildcats.net">www.eawildcats.net</a> under Our District, School Board, On-line Policy Manual, 200 Pupils, 221.

We are also very excited to announce that we will have our first PAWS (Parents are Welcome in School) night for NEW 2020-2021 Kindergarten Students. This special night will occur on Thursday, **March 26, from 5:45-7:15**. Please check the website for more information.

As we celebrate Black History Month, let us remember one of the greatest athletes, Michael Jordan – "I can accept failure, everyone fails at something, but what I cannot accept is not trying." Please encourage your children to try the best they can at everything they do every day and don't let them forget to BE AWESOME!

Mr. Sean Gildea

book it forward

# EA Wildcats Love Books: Book It Forward!

The teachers and staff of East Allegheny, along with parents and students, are conducting a book drive in conjunction with Read Across America/Dr. Seuss Week. We are looking for new and gently used children's books that could be enjoyed by kids in Pre-K through Sixth grade. Collection bins are placed in the Logan Office. Distribution will occur on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please contact Mrs. Maloney at Logan Elementary <a href="mailto:cmaloney@eawildcats.net">cmaloney@eawildcats.net</a>.

**Build a Library, Build a Life!** 





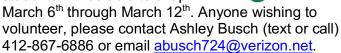
The PTO Spring Fundraiser begins on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and will include Sarris Candy and Cookie Dough. Orders are due February 18<sup>th</sup> and the pick-up date will be during the week of March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please use individual order forms for each student. Any questions please call or text Danielle Thomas 412-785-1367.

February is KINDNESS month – The students and staff will spread kindness during the month of February at Logan Elementary. It will be the first of "Wellness" themes. The last Wednesday of each month will be "WELLNESS WEDNESDAY". Students will be permitted to wear jogging pants and t-shirts for our wellness day. Look for more information to come home.

- \*The 100<sup>th</sup> day of school is on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Student Council will crown a Prince and Princess in grades K-3 and King and Queen in grades 4-6.
- \*Valentine Candy Grams are now on sale. They are due by February 7<sup>th</sup> and will be delivered on February 13<sup>th</sup>.
- \*Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> is Red-Pink-White Day. There will be a Valentine Dance for grades 4-6 and parties for grades K-3.

# Logan PTO is excited to announce the Scholastic Book Fair is returning soon!

Set-up takes place after school March 5<sup>th</sup> and students will be able to shop







# **Join us for PAWS Nights**

Our annual Kindergarten transition nights "PAWS (Parents Are Welcome in School) Nights" are for parents and kids who will be coming to Kindergarten in the Fall. It is strongly encouraged to attend. The parents and children will participate in various activities and visit each Kindergarten classroom. This is a GREAT way to help children transition into Kindergarten. They become familiar with the school and the classrooms. They get to know all the teachers. This is an important experience for you to prepare your child for school. While you are participating in PAWS nights, there will also be an opportunity for you to register your child for school. Our secretaries will be available to help you with any questions and to copy any necessary documents. You will also have the opportunity to sign your child up for the Kindergarten screener. The Kindergarten screener is a test that helps us to place your child into a classroom. It just shows us what they know and what they need to work on. PAWS nights are scheduled for Thursday, March 26 and Wednesday, April 29th. Hope to see you there!



# Kindergarten Korner

February is a very busy and exciting month for our kindergarteners. We are celebrating Black History Month, Groundhog Day, Chinese New Year, the 100th Day of School, Valentine's Day, President's Day, and Dental Health Month. Our creative teachers always find curricular connections to make these holidays' valuable learning experiences. Our kindergarteners are building short vowel words now. They are learning sight words as well as reading and writing sentences. In math class we are adding and subtracting. It has been wonderful to watch the growth in our students from the beginning of the school year until now. We can't wait to see how much more they will learn by the time we recognize them at the Kindergarten Celebration in May!

Logan Elementary School's 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Science Fair is coming soon!



Logan Elementary is proud to present our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Science Fair in April. Students are able to enter either an experimental or non-experimental project. Informational packets will be sent home soon containing ideas for different science projects that students can choose. Projects can be brought in March 31<sup>st</sup>. Families can come enjoy the project displays and an award ceremony on April 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30-8 pm.



"I spilled chocate milk."

"I had an accident."

"I frew up."

These are just a few of the things heard in the nurse's office each day. In most cases, when an item of clothing goes out the door, it doesn't come back.

For that reason, donations are needed. Listed below are the items most in need. Donations of gently used or new "dress code friendly" items can be dropped off in the Logan Elementary School Office or a pick up can be coordinated by texting Kristen Keleschenyi at 412-726-0676.

Items needed: collared tops size 14-16 girls' pants size 4-10 boys' pants sizes 4-6 and 10-12 shoes tights

Thank you!



Would you like to help with the **Sixth Grade Dinner Dance**? Volunteers are needed to help decorate and chaperone during the event. For more information, please contact Salena Hann at 724-866-1978 or <u>salenair@hotmail.com</u>



Kindergarten registration is just around the corner. If you have a child who will turn 5 by September 1st, it is time to prepare for the upcoming 2020-21 school year. Registration packets can be obtained in the Logan Elementary office or can be completed at one of the PAWS nights.

The last day to submit photos for the Logan Yearbook is March 25, 2020.

Please send your photos to: <a href="mailto:LoganPTOyearbook@hotmail.com">LoganPTOyearbook@hotmail.com</a>

## **PTO Membership Contest Winners**

Thank you for your continued support of Logan Elementary PTO!

# Currently, we have 198 PTO members!



As a part of our incentive to sign up for a PTO membership, we offered the room with the most memberships a class party. **Congratulations to our winners, Mrs. Humeston's Room 211!!!** The class will celebrate with an ice cream sundae party. It was a close race as our top five also included Mrs. Maurizio (Room 115), Mrs. Maloney (Room 103), Mrs. Gerbi (Room 205), and Mrs. Hensley's (Room 111) classrooms.

Thank you to everyone who participated!



#### Eureka! They did it!

The Industrial Revolution has begun, and the country needs your help! Do you have a creative idea for an invention that will solve a problem or make things easier for our daily lives? Those are some of the questions posed to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade homerooms (216 & 217), which coincide with the Industrial Revolution unit in our American History curriculum. From robots to medical advances, students will deliver and showcase a plethora of ideas to move our nation forward. Their innovative concepts and designs will display the utmost creativity our Logan students have to offer.

## Tuck Everlasting

During the month of May, each of the 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes will partake in a novel study. The novel will be a classic Newberry Winner, *Tuck Everlasting*, written by Natalie Babbitt and published in 1975. *Tuck Everlasting* is a fantasy children's novel that explores the concept of immortality and the reasons why it might not be as desirable as it appears. It has sold over two million copies and has been called, "a classic of modern children's literature". Students take a great interest in reading this novel as well as watching the movie, incorporating the skill of compare and contrast between the two.

## A Walk in Baseball History

To conclude the year, and after reading the novel, *Honus and Me*, by Dan Gutman, the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will take a field trip to PNC Park. Students will tour the ballfield and learn about the history and creation of the Pirates as well as other landmarks around Pittsburgh. From the book's plot and baseball reference of the Pittsburgh Pirates to touring the ballpark and viewing the city, students are given the opportunity to witness the history of their hometown team and town.

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# March Meeting

Our next PTO meeting will be held Monday, March 16th, 2020 at 7pm via FACEBOOK LIVE.

We hope to see you there!



Please sign up today in just three easy steps!!!!

- 1. Register your Giant Eagle Advantage Card at <a href="www.GiantEagle.com/AFTS">www.GiantEagle.com/AFTS</a>.
- 2. Enter our School ID# 1336
- 3. Shop using your Giant Eagle Advantage Card

Each time your Giant Eagle Advantage Card is scanned, your purchases automatically earn funds used to obtain our overall educational needs. This will not affect your food or fuel perks so make sure to sign up today!



Did you know, every Box Top donated brings 10¢ to the PTO to help fund activities, field trips and parties for our children? It is an easy way to raise money. Please mark an envelope, baggie or sheet "PTO" and send the clipped Box Tops into school with your child. Or simply scan your receipt using the mobile app!

This newsletter is available online with active hyperlinks at: https://www.eawildcats.net/domain/100

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