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LaFayette Students Visit Onondaga Lake to Research its History and Clean Up



LaFayette 8th Grade classes visit Honeywell's Onondaga Lake Visitor's Center

McAuliffe and Mr. Craig Milburn from Honeywell talked to the students about the history of the pollution in the lake and outlined the ongoing clean-up efforts. Students also traveled to a region of Geddes Brook that was rehabilitated by Honeywell as part of the project. Mark Arrigo and Natalia Cagida spoke about how the wetlands were polluted with mercury and had transformed into a field filled with Phragmites – an invasive species of reed. The present conditions are very different, featuring a meandering stream and deep water wetland that supports a variety of habitats and has attracted many species to the area.

Next, the class traveled to the Onondaga Historical Museum for a tour and a presentation by Mr. Dennis Connors about how Onondaga Lake's Waterfront has changed through the years.

Students learned about the early development of the salt industry and how the area developed into Syracuse's industrial zone, dominated by the Solvay Process Company (later Allied Chemical).



Geddes Brook today after habitat rehabilitation

The 8th Grade students at LaFayette Jr./Sr. High School started their annual Onondaga Lake Research Project this year with a day-long Kick Off Event. Students spent the day traveling to different sites and listening to a number of speakers along the way.

The day started with a trip to Honeywell's Visitor Center for their Onondaga Lake Clean Up activities. Mr. John

In addition to learning about the varied industries that ...Continued on page 4...

FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT



Peter Tigh, Superintendent

New Math

Perhaps one of you recognizes the title **New Math** as one of Tom Lehrer's (1965) most famous songs. You can hear this song on a YouTube recording with graphics at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SXx2VVSWDMo&feature=kp> It is a satire of the changes in mathematics in the 60's. I can only imagine what Tom would write (I think he is still alive) about math today.

My grandson is in 5th grade. As a part of his math instruction, I think it was enrichment, he was asked to work out a couple of questions at home. Together we had a lot of fun; yes it was fun, trying to figure out the answers. I'm going to give you the two questions, see if you can figure them out. It may help if you have someone in Grade 5 or higher helping!

1. $ADD + ADD + ADD = SUMS$ note: each letter represents a number; A is an even number
2. $MATH \times 4 = HTAM$ note: again, each letter represents a number (although not necessarily the same number as question 1)

Math is a language all its own. In fact, Einstein once said that mathematics is the language used to write the universe. As a school community, we owe it to our children to make Math fun.

REVISED February Newsletter Deadline Date

It has become necessary to move the Deadline for the February Greensheet to Wednesday, January 8, 2014.

Information should be sent to: ritabush@secny.net We must adhere to this deadline in order to publish the newsletter in a timely manner.

Thank you for your observance of this revised deadline.

CURRICULUM CONVERSATIONS

Paula Cowling, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Close reading—What is it? How do we do it?

Hopefully, your child received a stack of great books this holiday season. Fantastic! However, if you opted to purchase the new coat or the bike instead, we can help. The School Library as well as the LaFayette Public Library has mountains of books on hundreds, probably thousands, maybe millions of topics, just waiting to be 'checked out'! Now, about '**close reading**'---

In last month's newsletter we talked about the Six Shifts in English Language Arts: 1. Balancing Informational and Literary Texts; 2. Knowledge of the Disciplines; 3. Staircase of Complexity; 4. Text-based Answers; 5. Writing from Sources; and, 6. Academic Vocabulary. **Close reading** pertains to these shifts and is defined as a process through which students slowly and carefully make meaning of complex text by examining it from multiple angles. In her book, Common Core Unit by Unit, Cheryl Dobbertin breaks it down into three parts: "First, students learn about whatever they are reading about, the content or story the text contains. Second, students learn about vocabulary and syntax, and, with enough close reading, integrate new words and structures into their own writing and thinking. Third, they learn about the text itself—how it is written, the specific structures the author employed, the words the author chose, the impact the author was trying to make, and the strength of the author's argument." In some capacity, close reading (in the early grades, 'close listening') occurs in all standards in all grade levels in all subjects. It is critical to a depth of understanding of any topic.

Close reading can be fostered by parents as well as teachers. Step 1— Encourage your child to select both fiction and non-fiction texts, preferably appealing to their interests, baseball to bugs. Step 2—Read it yourself first. This will enable you to discuss the content and anticipate any vocabulary challenges. Step 3—If you own the book, you may want to let the reader use a highlighter as they slowly and carefully read to understand the content as well as the author's purpose and process. Step 4-- Enjoy! Sharing the book with your child is the best of all!

Happy New Year to You and Yours!

SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT INPUT

Hello LaFayette,

As we look forward to the year 2014 and consider the accomplishments of our students, faculty, administrators and staff, there are many signs that our District is continuing to move in the right direction.

In November of 2013, Michelle Miske sent a note to Mrs. Blosssey about her son, Ryan, who was a 2012 graduate of LCS. In the note she stated, "I wanted to let you know that Ryan had approximately 40 college credits from LaFayette and is now considered a sophomore at SUNY Oswego." Ryan entered SUNY Oswego in September of 2013. WOW! Can there be any more proof of the potential that is resting in the LaFayette Central School system? Ryan can now finish his Bachelors Degree in three years, saving himself, and his family the cost of room, board, tuition, and all of the related costs associated with a year of college. More importantly, he will be prepared to take the next steps in his life one year earlier than his contemporaries who need the full four years to finish their Bachelor's studies. Congratulations, Ryan, for a job well done!

The questions we all need to ask are: "How does this happen? Who created the opportunity for Ryan to excel as a student"? I think we all know that Ryan's opportunity was created by a dedicated group of teachers and administrators who strive every day to make our children's education in LaFayette a successful adventure. In this particular case, it was the teachers who took the time and effort to work with colleges to prove their ability to teach the content of the course they wish to offer to our students, and then convince them that LCS is a good fit with the mission of their schools. Many of the courses require additional and very rigorous study by the teachers. LaFayette Central

School offers twelve courses that carry college credit. The Colleges and Universities that we are associated with include Rochester Institute of Technology, Syracuse University, Tompkins Cortland County Community College, and Onondaga Community College. The courses and the teachers responsible for teaching them are listed below.

- Design/Drawing, Rochester Institute of Technology
Mrs. Angello and Mr. O'Donnell
- Civil Engineering, Rochester Institute of Technology
Mr. O'Donnell
- PA Sociology, Syracuse University -- **Mr. Fox**
- PA Psychology, Syracuse University
Mr. Fox and Dr. Storie
- SUPA Calculus, Syracuse University -- **Mr. Winans**
- Environmental Science SUNY ESF -- **Mrs. Terry**
- AP Biology -- **Mrs. Hummel**
- AP Chemistry -- **Mr. Piccotti**
- AP English -- **Mrs. Daly-Piccotti**
- College US History, Tompkins Cortland Community College -- **Mr. Baker**
- Business Math, Onondaga Community College
Mr. Morel
- Pre-Calculus, Onondaga Community College
Mr. Winans

When talking to any of these teachers, please take the time to thank them for their tireless efforts on behalf of our children.

On the behalf of the Board of Education, I want to wish everyone a joyous and safe holiday season, and to say that we are all looking forward to the coming New Year.

Tom Scofield, President, Board of Education

Budget Update

Planning for the 2014-2015 school budget began over this summer and is well under way. The Budget Calendar was adopted at the October 10th School Board of Education Meeting and the first budget update will be at the January 23, 2014, Board of Education Meeting.

The Governor is anticipated to release his preliminary state budget on January 21, 2014, or the third Tuesday in January following the first Monday. We will use those revenue figures until the final State budget agreement between the Governor and the Legislature that is due April 1, 2014.

The District is anticipating a small increase in State Aid over last school year and will continue to use a conservative approach to budgeting in the upcoming school year. As you may know, the two largest areas for revenue sources in our District are State Aid and Real Property Taxes.

The tax levy limit (tax cap) will still be in effect for the 2014-2015 school budget year. This means that the tax levy increase is limited to the lesser of 2 percent or the change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Trends are showing that the CPI will be less than 2 percent.

The District will continue to seek out options for maximizing its revenues and will carefully analyze potential savings through attrition. Below is a list of important board meeting dates for the budget process:

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| February 13, 2014 | Administrative and Capital Budget Review |
| March 13, 2014 | Program and BOCES Budget Review |
| March 27, 2014 | Revenue and Tax Levy Limit Information Review |
| April 10, 2014 | Full Draft 2014-2015 Budget Review |
| April 24, 2014 | 2014-2015 Board Budget Adoption |
| May 8, 2014 | 2014-2015 Budget Hearing |
| May 20, 2014 | 2014-2015 Annual Budget Vote |

◆ LaFayette Junior/Senior High School News ◆

JSHS PRINCIPAL INPUT

Dear Parents and Students,

Happy New Year to everyone!!!

This new semester will provide an opportunity of renewal for those that need the chance to improve on their academic success, while we wish those who thrived during the first 20 weeks continued success. In order to improve and/or continue success, one must remember two things: Rigor and Responsibility...Rigor stretches your mind, but as you stretch your mind, there comes challenges and frustration. However, with these challenges and frustration comes growth and responsibility to overcome the hurdles. Our purpose as a school is to foster rigor and responsibility and we do that by encouraging students to investigate the many college credit-bearing courses and moving outside their comfort/friend zone when making course selections.

This process will begin in the early part of the second semester and we encourage you to have that important conversation with your child about challenging themselves and moving outside the comfort zone. One important point to remember about course selection is that the courses listed in the catalog have been developed prior to the district budget approval. Course availability is impacted by budget as well as availability of highly qualified staff, course interest, the master schedule process, and program constraints. While we try very hard to ensure that all students have all access to all desired courses, this may not always be possible based on the reasons mentioned above.

As the semester concludes, we will be administering both local and January Regents exams during the week of January 27th thru January 31st. A complete schedule will be provided to students and will be available on our website. Again, this is an opportunity for students to demonstrate their abilities to be successful and responsible for their own learning.

Thank you so much for a wonderful 2013 and we look forward to prosperous 2014.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Jennifer M. Blossey,
Principal
LaFayette Junior-Senior High School

LaFayette Students Visit Onondaga Lake to Research its History and Clean Up

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Tadodaho Sid Hill talks to the 8th Grade students about the cultural importance of the lake.

dominated the shoreline, students also took a tour of the museum.

The group returned to Honeywell's Visitor Center for a presentation by Dr. David Matthews from the Upstate Freshwater Institute. He was involved in a research investigation that studied increasing nitrate levels at the lake bottom and decreased the levels of mercury present in the water column. Dr. Matthews outlined the steps of the Scientific Method the researchers followed as they develop their plan, conducted their experiments and reported their findings.

Finally, the class returned to school and listened to a special presentation by Tadodaho Sid Hill who explained why Onondaga Lake holds such a special significance for the Onondaga Nation. He provided a brief history of the Nation and the development of the Haudenosaunee Confederation. Additionally, Ms. Sarah Wraight from the Onondaga Environmental Institute helped outline some of the issues that the Onondaga Nation have concerning the current clean-up of the lake.

Students are using the information gathered to complete an interdisciplinary project based on how industrialization and urbanization negatively impacted Onondaga Lake, the current clean-up efforts being completed by Honeywell and Onondaga County, and the possibilities of a cleaner lake in the future. In addition to the speakers and presentations, students will conduct internet research and email a professional, scientist or professor to ask them specific questions. In addition, students are defining words and answering curricular questions for their science and social studies classes, as well as completing a Document Based Question (DBQ) essay about the Lake.

Finally, students will distill all of their learning and research into a persuasive essay for their ELA class that discusses what they think about the current work being done and what they think could be done in the future.

◆ LaFayette Junior/Senior High School News ◆

Trip to Cornell University

First, I'd like to thank Paula Cowling for presenting me with the information I needed for this trip to even happen.

On November 20th, my HSTY 201 (college US History) students planned a trip to Cornell University to view one of only five known copies of the Gettysburg Address in Lincoln's own handwriting. To make the trip even better, Mrs. Cowling suggested that Nancy Hummel's AP Biology students come along, and that part of the day be spent at the Cornell Ornithology Laboratory at Sapsucker Woods. There was still room for people on the bus, so April Palmer, the Social Studies teacher from Big Picture, brought some of her US

History students and some of Lenny Oppedisano's Biology students. The trip was nothing less than amazing!

We received an extremely wonderful presentation from Lance Heidig about the Gettysburg Address. Lance is in charge of Cornell's rare collections department of the library system on campus. Immediately following Lance's presentation, Talyse LaDora Hampton, an Assistant Director of Admissions at Cornell, gave a presentation to the students about Cornell's available programs. It was an extremely well-prepared plan, and the students received a lot of information. Before heading to Sapsucker Woods, the students had lunch on campus, where we got to see two former Lancers, Cornell Freshman Tia Dickhut, and Senior Nick Lamson.

Lastly, the students got a chance to see the walking trails at Sapsucker Woods as well as the Ornithology Laboratory itself. The whole day was a great success. Thanks so much again to Paula Cowling for getting me the information about the Gettysburg Address. Much thanks to Lance and Talyse at Cornell for their awesome presentations. Thanks to Carol Gardner for being our bus driver. Thanks are also due to Nancy Hummel and April Palmer for their help in making it all happen.



Mitchel Dadey and Jared Palmer watch Lance Heidig presenting photos from Cornell's rare collections department.



*-Tim Baker,
History
Dept., High
School*

Two former Lancers, Tia Dickhut and Nick Lamson met with us briefly.



Maggie Coulter and Chloe Terrell admire Lincoln's sculpture.



Emerson Shenandoah, Halee Beebe, Kaitlyn Agedal, Paige Skinner, and Lexi Peebles on the walking trails at Sapsucker Woods.

◆ LaFayette Junior/Senior High School News ◆

Phys Ed Activities

The Seniors at LaFayette enjoyed a day full of activity on November 26th! The NYS Standard in Physical Education states that students will understand and be able to manage their personal and community resources. By taking the students off campus, we are making students aware of the many resources that are in close proximity and, hopefully, they will feel confident engaging in physical activity throughout their lifetime using the many resources in existence.

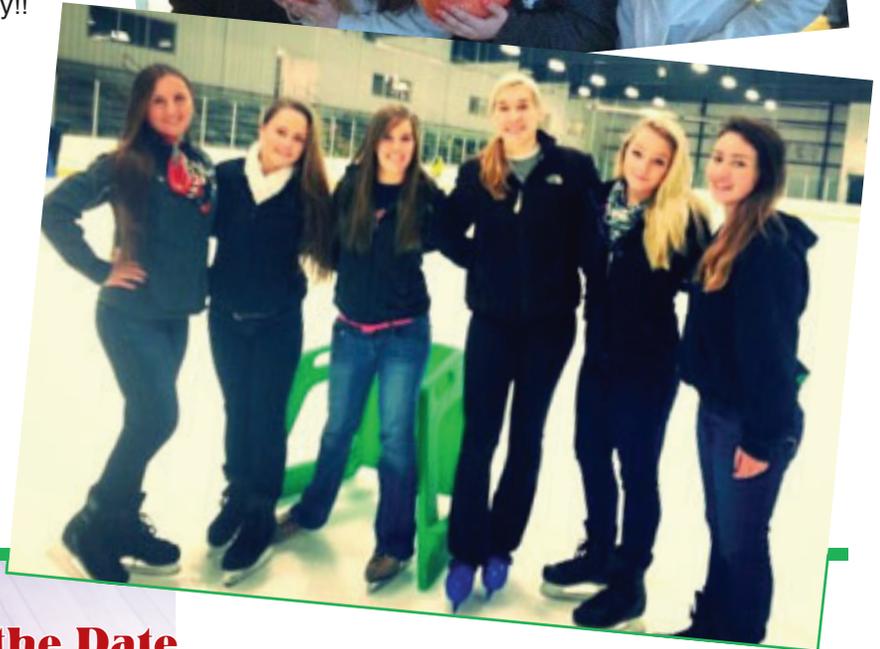
They started off in the gym learning how to actually score a game of bowling without the automatic scoring machine and then hopped on a bus and went to the Homer/Cortland area to put our new knowledge to use.

We began at Cort Lanes and scored our first game on paper before entering our names into the computer and letting the machine do the work! Congratulations goes out to Kaitlyn Agedal for scoring a 164 – our highest score of the day!!

After filling our bellies at the Cortland Buffet, we headed to the JM McDonald complex to hit the ice for ice skating and turf for a little kickball, soccer and flag football. The students were awesome and the best part was how appreciative they were for having this opportunity.

A huge thank you to Mr. Miller and Mr. Derbyshire for helping to chaperone. Another HUGE thank you to Cort Lanes for taking us on such short notice, and to the JM McDonald complex for being so accommodating.

PE STAFF
Karyn Meaney & Karl Seemann



BOWLING FUN – Save the Date

When it's too cold to venture outside and you're looking for something to do, look no further, we have the answer for you. Come on out to Cazenovia Sports Bowl for a game or two of bowling fun! This is not only something fun you can do with friends or family, but a great way to support the LaFayette 10th Grade Class.

Cazenovia Sports Bowl has agreed to donate 50% of all monies made from bowling **on Sunday, February 16th** and **Sunday, February 23rd** from 12:00 - 4:30 p.m. to the 10th Grade Class. Cazenovia Sports Bowl is located off of Route 20 in Cazenovia behind Tops Supermarket. Reservations are not necessary, but if you are coming as a big group you may want to call in advance (655-3000). There is also a full snack bar available.

So, mark your calendars. This will be a great way to start and end your February break and support the LaFayette 10th Grade Class. We hope to see you there!

Thank you in advance for your support, the 10th Grade Class.

◆ **LaFayette Junior/Senior High School News** ◆



Guidance And Counseling Department

COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Congratulations to the following students who have been accepted to colleges for the upcoming 2014-2015 school year: Elliott Mueller -- Keuka College; Casey Young -- Daemon College.

FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

Thank you to the representative from the LeMoyne Financial Aid Office for presenting to parents on Tuesday, December 2nd.

Applying for Financial Aid?

SUNY'S Statewide Financial Aid Days are offered as a service to all prospective college students and their families. The programs are designed to answer questions and provide assistance regarding the financial aid application, types of aid available, and the award process.

Many campuses will provide hands-on assistance from SUNY financial aid professionals in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA is required for all financial aid, including New York State assistance. Web access to complete the online FAFSA will be offered on some campuses. You may register online at www.suny.edu/studentevents or by calling 1.800.342.3811.

The dates are not yet available but will be by the time this goes to print. It is typically on a Saturday in February. OCC is one of the schools that can provide assistance (you do not need to apply to OCC to receive financial aid assistance in filling out the form).

PSAT REVIEW

All students who took the PSAT in October met with Mr. O'Leary and received their results this past month.

FREE SAT PREP CLASSES

Syracuse University is offering free SAT Prep classes on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. The sessions run from February 8 to March 1 and from April 5 – April 26. You can register online at sayyessyracuse.org under "High School." For more information call 443-4558.

SCHOLARSHIPS

All scholarships that come to the guidance office are listed online on Naviance. Most scholarships you can apply to online; some require you to pick up an application in guidance.

ATTENTION JUNIORS

Beginning in late January, Mr. O'Leary will meet with Juniors and their parents/guardians. The purpose of this meeting is to schedule for the senior year and discuss preparing for college or other post-high school plans.

The 2013-2014 Yearbook is now \$60.00 plus shipping

All personalization and icons for the yearbook cover needs to be purchased by **February 2, 2014.**

Place your orders on www.jostens.com **TODAY.**

Price will remain \$60+sh/h until Picnic Day when the 2013-2014 Yearbook will be \$75.

Don't miss out, and don't pay more than you have to!

ACT/SAT Testing Dates:

ACT

ACT recommends registering online at: www.actstudent.org/start

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required
4/12/14	3/7/14	3/8-3/21/14
6/14/14	5/9/14	5/10-5/23/14

SAT

SAT recommends registering online at: sat.collegeboard.com

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required
1/25/14	12/27/13	1/10/14
3/8/14	2/7/14	2/21/14
5/3/14	4/4/14	4/18/14
6/7/14	5/9/14	5/23/14

◆ *LaFayette Junior/Senior High School News* ◆

Honor Roll ◆ 1st Quarter ◆ 2013/14

7th Grade

High Honor

Celia Bertlesman
Leanna Crouse
Joshua Denué
Mya DeJoseph
Alexis Dishaw
Anna Guenther
Nathan LaJoie
Kyle Lamson
Carol Meldrim
Bethany Miller
Nathan Mott
Ashley Ohstrom
Olivia Prince
Regina Prince
Charlotte Ryan
Kyle Tracy
Michael Wais
Carha Williams

Honor

Hunter Boyle
Cheyenne Bush
Alexandra Campbell
Timothy Crouse
Kyle Darrow
Isaac Dow
Samantha Formoza
Emily Haines
Cory Hart
David Jackowski
Thomas Long
Anthony McAllister
Matthew Meyer
Mary Moltion
Grace Quick
Brianna Szentmiklosi
Jada Tupper
Taylor-Sierra Watson
Amanda Wilson

8th Grade

High Honor

Josef Akl
Sean Corby
Ian Evans
Alexi Harrington
Joseph Lamson
Patrick Prince
Jorge Romeu
Ian Schaefer
Jacob Shaffer
Morgan Shute
Carla Soules
Evan Spratt
Brennen Thrall
Bridget Walsh

Honor

Jasmine Appleton
Catelyn Battelle
Samuel Camaione
Caitlin Campbell
Mackenzie Caron
Allison Carroll
Parris Chrysler
Andrew Clemens
Natalie Fagan
Molly FitzPatrick
Claire Frier
Serena Harrington
John Mongellow
Cameron Reiss
Roman Reiss
Tucker Reiss
Ethan Theel
Taylor Tummino
Bert White
Kevin Williams

9th Grade

High Honor

Sara Beresovoy
Andrew Hall
Jennie Lamson
Riley LaCava
Wadely Miller
Shelby Ohstrom
Grace Terrell
Zackery Thrasher

Honor

Rhiannon Abrams
Logan Booth
Mattie Caughey
Taylor Cook
Kurt Dickhut
Kayla Doupe
Lauren Gates
Lashiva Gonnella-Sigworth
Jannah Grant
Emily Long
Natasha Powless
Sophia Powless
Cecelia Robinson
Gunnar Schumacher
Olivia Travis
Thomas Whitney

10th Grade

High Honor

Ryan Agedal
Justin Applegate
Samantha Claffey
Rachel Coulter

Honor

Hannah Blum
Joseph Campbell
Cassandra Dodge
Mallory Edwards
Allie Esposito
Tanner FitzPatrick
Lucas Frigon
Matthew Hughes
Benjamin Kramak
Jacob LeBlanc
Jordyn Marchiano
Emerson Shenandoah
Megan Skinner

11th Grade

High Honor

Margaret Coulter
Maureen Fagan
Chase LaCava
Kaylee Skeval
Chloe Terrell
Jade Williams

Honor Roll

Allison Baird
Jeanette D'Agostino
Carl Dickhut
Cassidy Doster
Nicholas Geswaldo
Morgan Gonnella-Sigworth
Jacob Henning
Kara Knudsen
Kali Loughlin
Alyssa Murray
Lianna Potak
Zachary Travis

12th Grade

High Honor

Kaitlyn Agedal
Halee Beebe
Chloe Blaisdell
Leann Lambert
Eric Liddy
Patrick Liddy
Elliott Mueller
Alexa Peebles
Daniel Prince
Jennifer Spelder
Solveig Sumstad

Honor

Zachary Anthony
Noni Crouse
Kaitlyn Dodge
Caitlyn Garbutt
Joshua Hall
Bryce Haynes
Mikhail Kenealy
Nathaniel Malara
Alexis Manley
Cayli Marnell
John Miske
Jordan Mitchell
Skye Schumacher
Ainsley Smith
David Turner
Ashley White
Casey Young

◆ The BIG PICTURE School News ◆

We are jumping into the New Year busy as ever! We go in 52 different directions every day following our student's passions. Just like you do if you have multiple children at home; each of your children has different interests. They may play different sports, have different musical taste and concerts they want to see and are involved in several activities unique to their own selves. This is true for us here at Big Picture as we follow the unique learning plans for each student and assure that their learning is engaging and relevant to their interests. Like your family, the holidays are a time where we can sit around the table and celebrate one another. Our Big Picture family shared dinner together on December 18th, it may be one of our favorite nights of the year. For on this night we share a meal that is filled with gratitude and infinite blessings.

2013 ended, but not before some of our Big Picture students were fortunate to sit in on a lecture by Dr. Neil deGrasse. Dr. Neil is the most well renowned astrophysicist in the world. Our students got to hear how he was one of the scientists that discovered Pluto was not a planet. He also went on to discover a new planet, himself. Our students left energized and inspired by his message: 'That we all need to work together to make our tiny insignificant planet better and how doing just that is far more important than all the differences we may have.'

Big Picture students, along with students from the High School, went on college visit to Cornell University. They were moved when they got to view the original Gettysburg Address written in Abraham Lincoln's own hand. At lunch the group was joined by LaFayette Central School District's alumni who are currently attending Cornell.



To learn about all the ways we are moving and specific projects our students are working on please feel free to visit our school's website for our weekly TGIF Newsletter. If you'd like to receive the weekly TGIF, please send your e-mail address to Susan Osborn at sosborn@lafayetteschools.org with TGIF in the subject.

◆ Grimshaw School News ◆

PRINCIPAL INPUT

From the Desk of the Grimshaw Principal

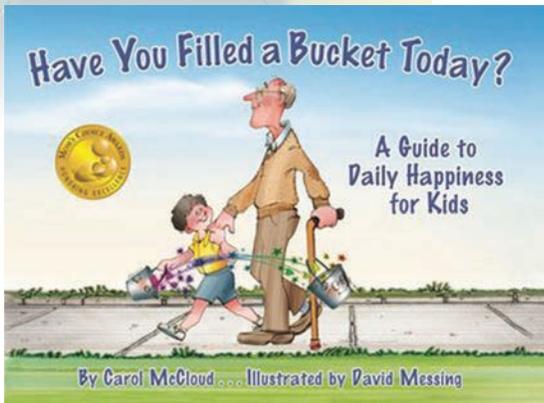
Family Literacy Night

Sixty-three children and forty-three parents attended our PK-3 Family Literacy Night. The United Way of Central New York's Success by 6 staff partnered with the Grimshaw staff to put on the event. The book "Have You Filled a Bucket Today?" by Carol McCloud was read by Mike Mahoney and was the theme of the evening. This book shows how rewarding it is to express kindness and appreciation on a daily basis. Each child received their own little bucket that they filled as they rotated between the three literacy stations: Literacy Games, Literacy Craft, and Family Fun.

Recent Changes to the NYS Assessments

The New York State Education Department recently announced that adjustments will be made to both the Math and ELA assessments. The next round of assessments will contain fewer questions, reducing the time the state is estimating it will take the students to complete tests. In addition to reducing the number of questions, the time allotted for the math assessments will be reduced by 20 minutes.

Greg Bump, Elementary Principal
(Phone) 315-677-3152 • (Fax) 315-677-3154



grimshaw Physical education news

We have had a very productive start to the school year in Physical Education! Kudos to the Board of Education for their help in restoring many of our weekly minutes allotted to Physical Education this year! It is well documented that with regular and vigorous physical activity, children do better in school.

Thus far, we have completed units in flag football, soccer, cooperative Project Adventure activities, volleyball, and indoor cross country in Grades 3 through 6. In Grades K through 2, we have completed units on body and special awareness, locomotor movements, hand/eye coordination, and cooperative games, along with cross country.

Along the way, all of our students have completed their preliminary state assessments in Physical Education. Students in Grades 3-6 have also completed The Fitnessgram fitness testing.

Recently, our Grimshaw students completed our indoor cross country unit, running a combined 1,775 miles to reach our virtual goal of running to the Alamo in Texas! Congratulations on a job well done! During Christmas break, many Grimshaw students elected to participate in our Vacation Fitness Plan! The students participated in a variety of physical activities of their choice. Participants had their completed packets displayed in the gym lobby.

Lastly, this is our year to participate in the Jump Rope for Heart, where students obtain donations for the American Heart Association. Our event will be held in the spring. Also, please continue to send in your emptied Capri-Sun pouches, as they will be turned in to benefit the PE Program this year. As always, if you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact your Physical Education staff.

*Yours in becoming a Physically Educated Individual,
Mr. Ryan and Mr. LaRose*



◆ Grimshaw School News ◆

Free Book Every Month

The GAPS' Imagination Library program provides a free book each month to every child who is under the age of five that resides in the LaFayette Central School District.

Each participating child will receive their free book through the mail until their fifth birthday.

Families may register their children by e-mailing the following information to gaps@lafayetteschools.org

Please include the following information:

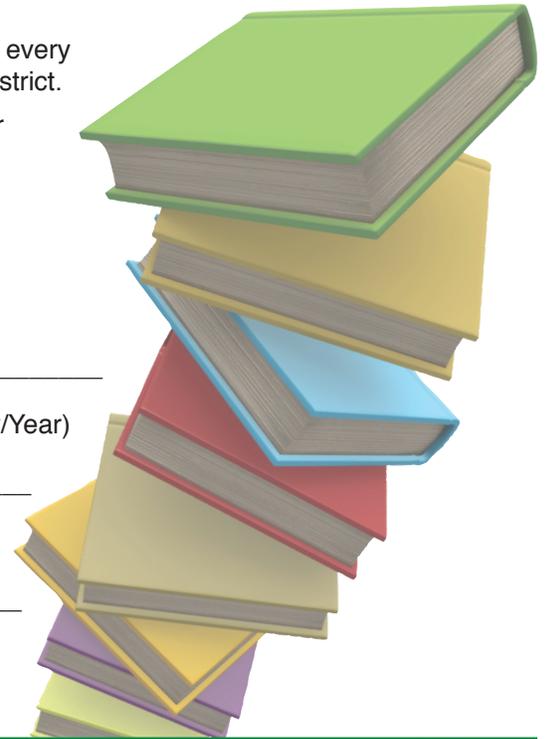
Child's Name _____

Birth Date _____ (Month/Day/Year)

Names of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone # _____



+ Health Office News +

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone has a wonderful holiday break! Welcome to winter! Please be sure your child is dressed for the cold weather with hats, gloves and boots as well as a warm jacket.

As for illnesses, we've mainly been seeing a variety of upper respiratory infections (colds/bronchitis/pneumonia/croup) and a stomach virus here at school (as of press time anyway!). No doubt flu season will be here soon, and may be here by the time you read this. Please notify me if your child is absent for any reason and please keep them home for 24 hours after a fever, vomiting or starting on antibiotics. It would be best if you call me directly (677-5501) even if you let the teacher/office know. You may leave a message on my voice-mail if I'm not available, or send me an e-mail.

A relatively new immunization requirement for 6th graders is the Tdap vaccine which is given after the student's 11th birthday. A detailed letter about the Tdap requirement will be sent home with students with their report cards in February. If your child will be in 6th grade next year, please discuss this vaccination with his/her physician so your child can have this done and on record before school starts in September.

Every year, each student at Grimshaw has a vision and hearing screening done. You will be notified if I feel that your child needs further evaluation. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any concerns regarding your child's

vision or hearing. If your child has a professional exam, please send a copy in to me for their record.

Physicals are required in grades Pre-K, K, 2 and 4 and if you are new to the district. At this time, there are about 30 students with outstanding physicals, so we're in good shape thanks to all your cooperation! If you're one of the last 30 please notify me of the date your child's exam is scheduled and send in a copy of your child's exam as soon as it's completed.

Remember to keep updating those emergency phone numbers and be sure extra clothes are available for your little ones.

Another reminder regarding medications: a note from a physician, as well as a parent, is required to give any meds at school. This includes over-the-counter meds as well.

One last reminder: if a doctor writes your child out of gym class, he/she must have a doctor's note before they can resume gym or other physical activity.

As always, please feel free to call me with any concerns/questions, and thank-you all for your cooperation and support!

Sincerely,
Paula Bush, Grimshaw Nurse
677-5501(direct line) • 677-3154 (fax)
pbush@lafayetteschools.org (email)

◆ Onondaga Nation School News ◆

Drawing for iPad At ONS



This year, all students at the Onondaga Nation School (Grades PreK-8) will be participating in our end of the year drawing for a free iPad.

Every five weeks, beginning with 9/17, students with perfect attendance will be entered to win the iPad, which will be pulled at the end of the school year.

Students can earn a ticket by having perfect attendance, which includes being to school before 8:00 a.m. and prepared to learn. Once determined after the five-week period, the student's name will be placed on a ticket and a new five weeks will begin.

The following students have earned a ticket or tickets towards the drawing for perfect attendance:

First Five Weeks

Bruce Benedict
Ivy Bennett
Ellie Booth
Pierce Hemlock
Brennan Hill
Calen Hill
Gavin Hill
Raena Hill
Trevor Hill
Tysen Johnson
Gabrielle Lazore
Elan Lazore
Makiyah Lazore
Tresah Lazore
Avis Lewis
Knoll McCoy
Jerome McDonald
Bryant Moses
Destin Pitre
Skyler Pitre
Augustus Powless
Jade Printup
Kaia Shenandoah
Jonaca Thornton
Riley Thornton

Second Five Weeks

Tiheson Gibson
Denny Pitre
Ellie Booth
Gahowainens Shenandoah
Petey Shenandoah
Avery White
Mykala Girvin
Tysen Johnson
Skyler Pitre
Arrow Booth
Sophia Hill
Kaia Shenandoah
Jamisin Cathers
Kyler Potak
Augustus Powless
Jonaca Thornton
Riley Thornton
Madison Homer
Keely Jocko
Mason Homer
Erika Isaacs
Destin Pitre



Physical Fun Facts

- ◆ Nerve impulses to and from the brain travel up to 170 miles per hour
- ◆ 80% of the brain is water
- ◆ Every day the average person loses 60-100 strands of hair
- ◆ The fastest growing nail is on the middle finger
- ◆ Blondes have more hair
- ◆ The lifespan of a human hair is 3 to 7 years on average
- ◆ The acid in your stomach is strong enough to dissolve razorblades
- ◆ The human body is estimated to have 60,000 miles of blood vessels
- ◆ The surface area of a human lung is equal to a tennis court
- ◆ Coughs clock in at about 60 mph
- ◆ Over 90% of diseases are caused or complicated by stress
- ◆ It takes 17 muscles to smile and 43 to frown.
- ◆ The most common blood type in the world is Type O

Taken from:

<http://www.nairaland.com/1178211/40amazing-facts-human-body>

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Onondaga Nation Middle School News

English Notes

The students in both grades 7 & 8 are working hard on their novel units. 8th grade continues with *Forgotten Fire* and 7th grade with *Milkweed*. These novels both provide rich, grade appropriate literature practice as well as important historical settings and knowledge.

It is important that students remember to keep up with their outside reading assignments. Students should be spending about 20-30 minutes each day reading at home. Students should find a quiet, comfortable place that they can use to do this reading. They can choose any books they wish for outside reading as long as the books are on their reading level.

Math Matters

I am so incredibly proud of my 7th and 8th graders!! They are growing by leaps and bounds. My expectations for my students are high, and we are reaching and sometimes exceeding those goals. The work is challenging, but the students are beginning to believe in themselves.

In seventh grade we have finished Module 1 of the Common Core Learning Standards. We will be learning operations of integers. You can help by sharing real world examples of negative numbers and how they are used in our lives. (for example: temperatures below zero, when they don't have enough money to buy a desired item, etc.)

In eighth grade, we have finished Module 1 and Module 2! We will be exploring tessellations for the Academic Fair as well as moving into Module 3 which covers similarity. Our first topic in this module will be on dilations.

I have enjoyed getting to know your children! They are all special in their own unique way. It is a pleasure to have them in my class.

Science All Around Us

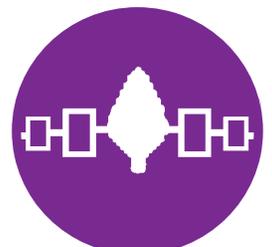
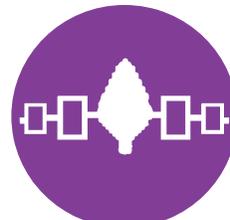
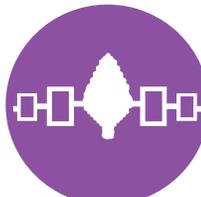
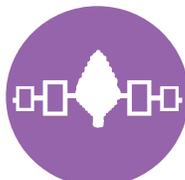
Science 8 is studying *Interactions Among Living Things*. They are aware that there is a living environment interwoven into an abiotic system, but now Science 8 will study how that living environment interacts with other living organisms. How do they compete? Do they prey? Do they hide and blend? The 3 types of symbiosis will also be discussed. Science 7 will continue learning how to measure matter. In the next 3 weeks they will measure mass, length and volume – all in metric units of course! Measuring tools will include a kg scale, triple-beam balance, metric rulers, meter sticks and graduated cylinders.

What's Up with Social Studies?

7th grade has been working on a research project titled "Famous American Companies." Each student chose a company that was founded in America, most in the 1800s, which still exist today. They have researched information such as the founder, the original products and product changes and additions. The students will present this information in the form of a short paper as well as three-sided presentation boards. We are inviting parents and family members to come view the projects and presentations and to help be a part of celebrating the students' hard work!

Academic Fair

This year the academic fair is January 2nd and 3rd. Seventh graders are completing their projects in social studies and eighth graders are completing theirs in math. The students will need to work hard and keep up with the steps in order to finish in time. We encourage all family members to come out to the school to see the finished products!



◆ ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS ◆



Booster Club News

One of the main goals of the LaFayette Athletics Booster Club is to increase positive school spirit. In our attempts, we have updated our official Lancer mascot costume which can be seen at one of the Basketball games this season! As a club we are always looking for new ideas on how to increase school spirit, if you have any suggestions please e-mail one of the Booster Club representatives as we would love to see “Lancer Pride” revived once again! You may contact any of the following at the emails listed below.

President – Lisa Shenandoah-Kurtz – Lisa.Kurtz@ebsrmsco.com
 Vice President – Ellen Coulter - emcoulter@yahoo.com
 Secretary – Mackenzie McElhannon – Mmcelhannon@lafayetteschools.org
 Treasurer – Tracy Schumacher - tschumacher@osmose.com

We are pleased to announce that the LaFayette Booster Club has a new website which can still be connected to through the school website, or you can visit it directly at: www.Lafayetteboosterclub.com. Our new website will be updated bi-weekly. You may also find us and “like” us on Facebook to see or hear the positive sporting events that are happening around our community. If you have any information that you would like the Booster Club to show or inform the community of, please notify a member so we can display it on our page or on Facebook.

We hope that you all have a safe and happy holiday season and are excited for a great Lancer Pride 2014!

Lancer Volleyball has a Very Successful Season

Congratulations to the Lancer Volleyball Team for a Successful Season! They were awarded as both **2013 OHSL Liberty National League Champions** and **2013 Section III Class D Sectional Champions**.



Individual Awards went to – **Skye Schumacher**: 2nd Team All-State All CNY Team, Co-Player of the Year, OHSL Liberty National 1st Team, OHSL Liberty National.

Halee Beebe: Co-Player of the Year, OHSL Liberty National, 1st Team- OHSL Liberty National.

Maggie Coulter: Libero of the Year, OHSL Liberty National, 1st Team - OHSL Liberty National.

Sophia Powless: 2nd Team- OHSL Liberty National
Paige Skinner: Honorable Mention- OHSL Liberty National.

Kaitlyn Agedal: Honorable Mention- OHSL Liberty National

Abigail Lerch: Coach of the Year- OHSL Liberty National.

LAFAYETTE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB BOTTLE DRIVE

Drop offs at Trailer
 Through January 11, 2014
 Dollar General Parking Lot

Important!

If anyone has a large bottle donation that they are unable to get to the trailer, please call Kim Agedal at 677-9545 and we will arrange to pick them up.



Thank you for your continued support!



◆ ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT NEWS ◆

Congratulations to the following Volleyball players who were selected to All League teams!

Great job!

Co-Players of the Year	Skye Schumacher and Halee Beebe
Libero of the Year	Maggie Coulter
Halee Beebe	1 st Team All League
Skye Schumacher	1 st Team All League
Maggie Coulter	1 st Team All League
Sophia Powless	2 nd Team All League
Kaitlyn Agedal	Honorable Mention All League
Paige Skinner	Honorable Mention All League
Coach Lerch	Coach of the Year



Skye Schumacher

Congratulations to **Skye Schumacher** on being chosen 2nd Team All State.

Congratulations to **Connor Oakman** on being selected to the All State Cross Country Team and for finishing 19th at the State tournament. Great job, Connor!

Congratulations to the JV Boys' Basketball team who won the Lancers vs. Cancer Tip-Off Tournament Thanksgiving weekend. Great job, guys!

Congratulations to the Varsity Basketball team who won the Lancers vs. Cancer Tip-Off Tournament Thanksgiving weekend. **Chase LaCava** and **Ryan Agedal** were selected to the All Tournament Team. **David Turner** was the tournament's Outstanding Player.

Great job, everyone!



Connor Oakman



Chase LaCava



Ryan Agedal



David Turner

GRIMSHAW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LUNCH - JANUARY 2014

		Holiday Recess No School	Holiday Recess No School	Holiday Recess No School
6	7	8	9	10
Chicken Patty on a Whole Grain Roll Sweet Potato Fries, BBQ Baked Beans, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Ham & Cheese Melt French Fries, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Sweet 'n Sour Chicken Over Brown Rice Vegetable Egg Roll, Stir Fry Vegetables, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Homemade Meatball Sub Cut Green Beans, Baked French Fries, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Assorted Homemade Pizza Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Steamed Broccoli Cuts, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice
13	14	15	16	17
Sloppy Joe on a Whole Grain Bun French Fries, Celery Sticks w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Homemade Macaroni & Cheese w/Dinner Roll Cut Green Beans, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Cheeseburger on a Whole Grain Bun Baby Carrots w/Dip, Sweet Potato Gems, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Soft Taco w/Lettuce, Cheese and Salsa Steamed Brown Rice, Refried Beans, Roasted Corn, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Big Daddy Pizza Slice Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Steamed Broccoli, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice
20	21	22	23	24
Martin Luther King Day No School	Nacho Supreme w/Tortilla Chips, Salsa, Cheese Citrus Black Beans, Celery Sticks w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Whole Grain French Toast w/Sausage Star Potatoes, 100% Dragon Fruit/Veg Juice, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Turkey and Cheese Whole Grain Wrap w/Tortilla Chips Crispy Veggie Plate w/Dip, Homemade Cole Slaw, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice	Assorted Homemade Pizza Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Steamed Broccoli Cuts, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice
27	28	29	30	31
Pizza Dippers w/Sauce Tossed Salad w/Dressing, California Blend Veggies, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	BBQ Rib Sandwich on a Whole Grain Bun Baked Beans, Potato Gems, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Whole Grain Toasted Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup w/Crackers, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Chicken Patty on a Whole Grain Roll Sweet Potato Fries, Cut Green Beans, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Half Day No Lunch Served

SANDWICHES & WRAPS

SANDWICHES
Monday: Ham & Cheese
Tuesday: Turkey & Cheese
Wednesday: Cheeseburger
Thursday: Chicken Salad
Friday: Yogurt Meal

SALAD DU JOUR
Monday: Chicken Caesar
Tuesday: Julianne Salad
Wednesday: Garden Salad
Thursday: Chicken Cordon Bleu
Friday: Chef Salad

Peanut Butter & Jelly available daily

Student Meal
Breakfast: \$1.25
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Lunch 7-12: \$2.15
Milk: 60c

Breakfast During School Delays:
1 Hour Delay - Breakfast WILL be served
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JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH - JANUARY 2014

		Holiday Recess No School	Pizza Dippers w/Sauce Tossed Salad w/Dressing, California Blend Veggies, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Holiday Recess No School
6	7	8	9	10
Chicken Patty on a Whole Grain Roll Sweet Potato Fries, BBQ Baked Beans, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Ham & Cheese Melt French Fries, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Sweet 'n Sour Chicken Over Brown Rice Vegetable Egg Roll, Stir Fry Vegetables, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Homemade Meatball Sub Cut Green Beans, Baked French Fries, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Assorted Homemade Pizza Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Steamed Broccoli Cuts, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice
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Sloppy Joe on a Whole Grain Bun French Fries, Celery Sticks w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Homemade Macaroni & Cheese w/Dinner Roll Cut Green Beans, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Cheeseburger on a Whole Grain Bun Baby Carrots w/Dip, Sweet Potato Gems, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Soft Taco w/Lettuce, Cheese and Salsa Steamed Brown Rice, Refried Beans, Roasted Corn, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Big Daddy Pizza Slice Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Steamed Broccoli, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice
20	21	22	23	24
Martin Luther King Day No School	Nacho Supreme w/Tortilla Chips, Salsa, Cheese Citrus Black Beans, Celery Sticks w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Whole Grain French Toast w/Sausage Star Potatoes, 100% Dragon Fruit/Veg Juice, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Turkey and Cheese Whole Grain Wrap w/Tortilla Chips Crispy Veggie Plate w/Dip, Homemade Cole Slaw, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice	Assorted Homemade Pizza Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Steamed Broccoli Cuts, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice
27	28	29	30	31
Pizza Dippers w/Sauce Tossed Salad w/Dressing, California Blend Veggies, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Rib-A-Cue Sandwich on a Whole Grain Bun Baked Beans, Potato Gems, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Whole Grain Toasted Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup w/Crackers, Baby Carrots w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Chicken Patty on a Whole Grain Roll Sweet Potato Fries, Cut Green Beans, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Half Day No Lunch Served

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ONONDAGA NATION SCHOOL LUNCH - JANUARY 2014

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Martin Luther King Day No School	Nacho Supreme w/Tortilla Chips, Salsa, Cheese Citrus Black Beans, Celery Sticks w/Dip, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Whole Grain French Toast w/Sausage Star Potatoes, 100% Dragon Fruit/Veg Juice, Assorted Fruit Cup, Fresh Fruit, Milk Choice	Turkey and Cheese Whole Grain Wrap w/Tortilla Chips Crispy Veggie Plate w/Dip, Homemade Cole Slaw, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice	Assorted Homemade Pizza Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Steamed Broccoli Cuts, Assorted Fruit Cup, Milk Choice
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Community Council News

Youth Basketball

Grade 5/6 games begin January 11th! Grades 3/4 will be held in March, earlier if possible. Watch for flyers from school. Coaches are needed, call 677-7272.

Youth Wrestling

Starts January 7th, 6-7:30 p.m. at the JSHS. Call if you are going to be able to coach! 677-7272.

Community Recreation

Saturdays on January 11, 18, 25, and February 1, 8, 15 from 1-3 p.m., at the JSHS. One gym open for family games like dodgeball, kickball, volleyball, wiffleball, etc.

Ice Skating!

The rink is up and running at Stafford Park!
Please enjoy the ice and skate responsibly.
Volunteers needed to shovel whenever you can help out.
Let's keep the ice nice!!

Yoga

Held on Mondays at Grimshaw.
Call to see if there is room as space is limited. 677-7272

Daytime Exercise

Held 3x's/week, 8:30-9:30a.m. at the Community Center.
Call Kathy, 677-9174 to find out exact days. You can join in anytime!

Walk the Halls!

Don't quit walking just because it gets cold and snowy!
You can walk the halls at Grimshaw, M-F, 5-7p.m.
You must enter by the cafeteria, sign in the log book and have dry shoes to walk in. Through March.

LCC Coaches

All volunteer coaches need to complete and submit a coaching application attainable from the town offices or at www.townoflafayette.com.
An online coaching certification, background check and CPR/AED are mandatory.
Thanks in advance!

LaFayette Public Library News

Town Commons, 2577 Rt. 11 North, PO Box 379, LaFayette, NY 13084

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Email: lafayettelibrary13084@yahoo.com

Website: www.lafayettelibrary.org • Accessible Wireless Internet

HOURS: Monday 10 AM - 8 PM

Tuesday 10 AM - 8 PM • Wednesday 10 AM - 5 PM

Thursday 12 PM - 8 PM • Friday 10 AM - 5 PM

Saturday 10 AM - 2 PM • Sunday closed

Our story hours are Wednesday, at 10:15 a.m., and Thursday, at 6:30 p.m. Please come and join us!

We would like to remind that we do circulate two Nooks. They have about 150 titles downloaded. For eBooks on your own device, go to www.onlib.org and go to the digital download catalog, where you can download audiobooks and eBooks for free with your public library card. We (the county libraries) are increasing the amount of eBook titles by the day. There are instructions there to download your eBooks. For any questions, please call 677-3782 and ask for Scott.

The library system has also taken on another vendor for ebooks – you will notice in the catalog the icon for “3M” which is eBooks only (no audio or video). We would also like to remind you that you can also download eBooks on to your Ipad and other devices, as well.

We have been getting many of the latest feature films on DVD, as well as many popular adult and juvenile audiobooks on CD. In addition, we are expanding our video game collection.

We are offering computer training for our patrons. This will be one-on-one sessions by appointment only. Please call 677-3782 and ask for Scott to make arrangements.

At the circulation desk, we have a publication called “Book Page”. It has up and coming novels, reviews, author interviews and much more. Pick up your free copy anytime. You can also view it on www.bookpage.com.

We would also like to remind you of the Grimshaw program for free books for preschoolers. We have the information at our circulation desk. We ask to you to supplement this early literacy experience at our story hours on Wednesday mornings.

We are always looking for fresh ideas for programming at the library. If there is something you would like to see, or would like our help facilitating, please feel free to call and ask for Scott – 677-3782.

The LaFayette Library Quilters hand-quilt old or new quilt tops. The fee charged for the quilting is donated to the LaFayette Public Library. If you have quilt top that you would like hand-quilted, please contact the library at 677-3782 and a quilter will call you. Thank you!

Here are some titles we have or are coming:

January Print

Evanovich, Janet – *Chase*
LaHaye, Tim – *Mark of Evil*
Michaels, Fern – *Kiss and Tell*
Oke, Janette – *Where Courage Calls*
Patterson, James – *Private LA*

January DVD

Horatio Horn Blower
Boys Don't Cry
Muppet Show- Season I
Young Frankenstein
Star Trek II – Wrath of Kahn
Star Trek IV- Journey Home

January Audiobooks

Welson, Fey – *Habit of the House*
Burnett, Carol – *A Mother and Daughter Story*
Angelou, Maya – *Mom & Me & Mom*
Link, Mardi Jo – *Bootstrapper: From Broke to Badass on a Northern Michigan Farm*

And many, many more... plus we are adding more and more eBooks to both the digital catalog and to 3M library.



VFW PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The LaFayette VFW will hold another Pancake Breakfast on **Sunday, January 26, from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.**

The price is \$6.50 for adults, \$4.50 for ages 6-12, and children age 5 and under are free. Hope to see you there!!!

7th/8th Grade Boys Basketball

The format will consist primarily of full court games. The goal of the program is for players to gain valuable game experience through scrimmage and game situations. It is not necessary to have played on the school team to participate. For more information, please contact Greg Long @ 677-9611. See you at the JSHS...starting January 11th.

REVISED February Newsletter Deadline

The Deadline for the February issue is Wednesday, January 8, 2014.

The LaFayette News (Greensheet) is published eleven times per year and is available online @ lafayetteschools.org.

Information should be sent to: ritabush@secny.net We must adhere to this deadline in order to publish the newsletter in a timely manner.

Thank you for your observance of this revised deadline.



Location: C. Grant Grimshaw Elementary School Cafeteria, Route 20 West, LaFayette, N.Y.

Monday and Wednesday ♦ Time: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.*
New Wednesday Session starts February 5th; Cost TBD
(Fall Session ends January 29th)

Join in Anytime as a walk-in: \$4.00 per class
Join Monday Session for \$40, January through March

Certified Zumba Instructor, Tina Knapp

*No Class if LaFayette Central School has no after school activities or if the school is closed for vacation.

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January IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Please check your LaFayette Central School District Directory/Calendar for the many activities going on in the month of January, 2014. Particular dates to note are:

Thursday	January 2	School Resumes at the Onondaga Nation School
Thursday	January 2 and	
Friday	January 3	Onondaga Nation School Academic Fair
Monday	January 6	School Resumes for Grimshaw, JSHS, and Big Picture
Wednesday	January 8	REVISED Deadline Date for February Greensheet
Thursday	January 9	Board of Education Meeting, District Office, 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	January 11	Last Day to Drop off Bottles in the Dollar General Parking Lot for Booster Club
Monday	January 13	GAPS Meeting, Grimshaw School Library, 6:30 p.m.
Monday	January 20	NO SCHOOL – All Buildings – Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance
Thursday	January 23	Board of Education Meeting, District Office, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday	January 26	Pancake Breakfast, LaFayette VFW, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.
Week of	January 27	Regents Examinations
Monday	January 27	JSHS Parent Group Meeting, Room 117, 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	January 29 and	
Thursday	January 30	Mid-Terms at JSHS – 12:50 p.m. Dismissal Each Day
Friday	January 31	EARLY DISMISSAL – All Buildings, 11:30 a.m. – Rating Day
Friday	January 31	7th & 8th Grade Career Fair, JSHS