



## LES MISSION STATEMENT –

"Increasing Reading Comprehension & Expressive Writing Across the Curriculum"

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### Dates to Remember



25 Mar – New Parent Coffee  
03 Apr – Teacher Workday – NO SCHOOL  
6-7 Apr - SPRING BREAK

### LUNCH MENU

(Optional choice is for 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)



23 Mar: Meat Loaf (or Chef Salad), Mac & Cheese, Garden Salad, Soft Wheat Pretzel, Fruit Cup / Fruited Jell-O, and Milk

24 Mar: Pepperoni Pizza (or Grilled Turkey & Cheese), Seasoned Corn, Garden Side Salad, Fruit Cup, Fruited Jell-O, and Milk

25 Mar: Soft Taco w/Cheese (or Chicken Quesadilla), Carrots/Broccoli/Cauliflower, Chilled Pears, Blueberry Muffin, Fruited Jell-O, and Milk

26 Mar: Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce (or Chef Salad), Green Beans, Chilled Fruit Cocktail, Garlic Toast, Fruited Jell-O, and Milk

27 Mar: Baked Chicken Fries (or Baked Baja Fish Sticks), Pasta Salad, Cucumber & Carrot Sticks, Banana, Dolphin Crackers, and Milk

Check out the month's menu at:  
<http://odin.aafes.com/nutrition/08/index.html>

## The Principal's Column

### ZERO TOLERANCE FOR WEAPONS



DoDDS "zero tolerance for weapons" policy is fully supported by our base commander. To help us support this policy, please remind your child that weapons, replicas of weapons (even toys), or other items that can be used as weapons (including pen knives or laser pen pointers) can harm others or instill fear, are not allowed at school. **The penalties required are severe, and a warning may not be given beforehand if a student brings a weapon or replica to school, or is found in possession of one.** Students who bring such articles or participate in their use, regardless of ownership, will be suspended and may be expelled. Rocks are considered a weapon; throwing rocks is dangerous and may result in suspension.

Additional prohibited items include matches, bullets, firecrackers, caps or other explosive devices, knives, slingshots, cap guns, water pistols or other play guns, itching powder, shaving cream, and other objects likely to be dangerous. Drugs and any gang-related clothing or paraphernalia are considered forbidden articles. Any such items in evidence at school will be confiscated. In addition, DoDDS E3.515 includes: bullying (including cyber bullying) another or a group, name calling (pertaining to race, religion or other characteristics of a

person), cursing, or gesturing are all grounds for discipline.

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



Parents, please ensure you inform the AYA if your child is participating in any after-school activity. On a daily basis the AYA program assistants experience problems trying to locate students that appear to be "lost" when, in fact, they are attending an after school activity.

It should also be noted, that you are responsible for transportation to the AYA if the student is to go there after the activity.

## GOLDEN ROCKY'S



Four students received their Golden Rocky award today. Congratulations to all!

## ATTENDANCE REPORTING PROCEDURES



If you need to report your child absent or late, please contact the school **by email at**

[les.attendance@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:les.attendance@eu.dodea.edu) or on **01638-523721 / 226-3721**. Due to circumstances beyond our control, we do not have a service where you can leave a message at this time. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

## LES FUNDRAISING MAKES FORWARD MAGAZINE!



Attached is an article from the spring issue of Forward magazine—published by the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association.

Scroll down to the bottom of the page and you will see us mentioned, along with a photo taken at a recent visit by Annie, our guide dog.

## SPRING REGISTRATION JUST AROUND THE CORNER!



LES will be conducting a weeklong registration during 30 Mar-3 Apr. Please note that registration is required for all returning students. We will also accept registration packets for new kindergarten students. **Please remember new kindergarten students must be 5 on or before 1 Sep to qualify.** See below for dates, times, and locations.

30 Mar – Lakenheath Elementary School (0830-1530)

31 Mar – Liberty Intermediate School, RAF Lakenheath (0900-1500)

1 Apr – Bob Hope Community Center, RAF Mildenhall (0900-1500)

2-3 Apr – Lakenheath Elementary School (0830-1530)

The sponsor or the sponsor's spouse must sign the registration forms. Please bring in a current copy of your orders and your child's immunization records. If your DEROS date has changed, then we will also need a copy of your DEROS extension or any other official documentation to support the new DEROS date. Birth certificates are needed for all parents registering new kindergarten students.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [Diana.panchal@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:Diana.panchal@eu.dodea.edu) or 226-3721 if you have any questions.

## FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE



Parents: I wanted to make you aware that we have seen a few cases of strep throat in the school.

If you suspect that your child might have strep, then you can make an appointment with the peds clinic at 01638-528010. They also have the option of having a throat culture done on a walk-in basis from 1-3pm.

Below are some of the symptoms that could indicate strep throat and when to seek medical attention. You may also get personal advice and help by calling the nurse advice line at 0800-896-409.

- red and white patches in the throat
- difficulty swallowing
- tender or swollen glands (lymph nodes) in the neck
- red and enlarged tonsils
- fever—usually greater than 101
- general discomfort, uneasiness, or ill feeling
- loss of appetite and nausea
- sandpaper rash along abdomen and back—seek medical attention for a rash accompanied by a sore throat

If your child has been diagnosed with strep throat, please keep them home for the first 24 hours after treatment so that we can minimize the spread of the disease to their classmates.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 01638-523721.

## WORLD LANGUAGE TEACHING IN U.S. SCHOOLS



The Center for Applied Linguistics, based in Washington, D.C., is an organization dedicated to the advancement and enhancement of language learning in the United States.

Each decade, they do a survey of schools all over the United States with regard to world language programs offered in our country. The survey provides information on the types of programs offered, as well as explains the differences between the different types of programs offered here and in schools stateside.

The preliminary results are available at:

<http://www.cal.org/flsurvey/prelimbrochure08.pdf>

## PTSO BOARD ELECTIONS

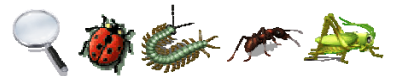


It's that time of year again to elect new PTSO executive board officers of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. If you would like to be nominated for a position on the board please email

[lakenheathES.ptso@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:lakenheathES.ptso@eu.dodea.edu) indicating which position you would like to be considered for.

Elections will be held at our general membership meeting on April 30th. At this time we are only taking nominations and more information on the meeting will follow in the near future.

## Going Buggy for Spring Grams!!



Spring Gram order forms were sent home this week. Grams are on sale until March 30<sup>th</sup> and cost \$3.00. Each gram consists of a reusable bug catcher box filled with a bug magnifying glass craft kit, a cute bug finger puppet, mini insect erasers, a sticky stretchy frog, a pair of bug catcher tongs, a colorful bouncy ball, and a mini swirl lollipop.



We do have limited quantities and this will be our last season gram for this school year so please place your orders early if you are interested in purchasing one for your child.

Spring grams can also be ordered for siblings that do not attend LES. Please indicate "sibling" next to the child's name on the order form. All grams will be delivered to the *student's* classroom on April 1st. There is a sample gram in the display case in the front lobby of the school as well as on the monitor in the front lobby. There will be extra order forms available in the Parent Center or you

can contact me at the email address given below.

Also, please don't forget that the PTSO will be selling Spring Bugs for the students to purchase at lunchtime in the cafeteria on Wednesday, April 1st and Thursday, April 2nd. Spring Bugs cost 50¢ each. If you are interested in your child purchasing these items, please send them to

school with money on those two days only. A reminder will be sent home that week.

For any questions or comments please contact Summer Elliott at [jsbellott@yahoo.com](mailto:jsbellott@yahoo.com).

