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November 1, 2022

Principal's Message

Hello Leitch Families and Friends,

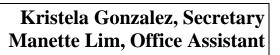
November is here and students are working hard and finishing up 1st trimester. First trimester is lots of review and setting routines. Now as we move through second trimester the academic expectations will increase, and the curriculum will start to move faster. I have no doubt our students will continue to push themselves and continue to grow.

It was great to see so many parents come on site yesterday to watch the Halloween parades. The students had a great time walking in the parade and loved the audience!

As rainy days are approaching us please make sure you continue to follow all arrival and dismissal rules. Parents should not be on campus and still need to remain in the waiting areas. 1st and 2nd graders will line up at their classroom doors under the eaves when it is raining at arrival and will not go to the playground. During the rain I suggest giving yourself more time to arrive as the traffic is usually much heavier.

I hope everyone has a wonderful fall break. Take time to rest and enjoy your families!

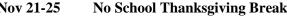
Sincerely, Tammy Pachote Principal





Mark your calendar for upcoming events: *Every Wednesday is a minimum day for 1st & 2nd grade*

Nov. 10	Minimum Day 1 st and 2 nd grade only
Nov. 11	No School – Veteran's Day
Nov. 14-18	1:15 Minimum Day 1 st and 2 nd grade only
Nov. 16	Fall Stampede
Nov 21-25	No School Thanksgiving Break







Fall Stampede

This month we have our Fall Stampede Boosterthon. This is our PTA's biggest fundraiser and it will take place from November 7-16. During this time you will receive information and challenges all in hopes that we can make our fundraising goal. Our PTA works hard to put the money raised right back in the classrooms. This year our PTA has already covered the expenses for our pumpkin patch, Scholastic Readers and classroom allocations. Technology is always a big undertaking in keeping items up to date and in working condition and we are hoping Fall Stampede Boosterthon will help with purchasing newer devices. Please join us and help raise funds for our wonderful PTA.

Valet Lane



The Valet Lane is closed during the middle of the school day. Therefore, it is not available for TK/K parents picking up AM or dropping off PM students. Also, parents are NOT allowed to park in

the staff parking lot. This includes pick and drop off for AM and PM classes.

<u>Library</u>

Our library has gotten off to an amazing start thanks to Mr. Ronald. The library is open for students and their parent/guardian afterschool between 2:35-3:00 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. A student MUST have their parent/guardian with



them to visit after school. If you choose to visit the library during this time please be sure to check in to the office as school is still in session for some grades. To learn more about our library, as well as volunteer opportunities, please visit our <u>library website!</u>

School Breakfast



Students may not arrive earlier than 7:45! Breakfast will be served daily in the MUR for any interested students. Breakfast is not a grab and go. Students need to remain on campus to eat. Breakfast serving will start at 7:45. For menus and more

information please use this link.

<u>Counselor Corner</u> Please see the link for our counselor's newsletter.

Welcome to Leitch

Welcome to Ms. Chinnan who is our new science prep teacher. Ms. Chinnan has joined our Leitch family and will be teaching our students science through lessons and experiments. Please help me in welcoming her to our Leitch Community!

Preparing for Teacher Conferences

November 14-18 are set aside for Parent/Teacher Conferences with your child's teacher. These are the only days set aside for designated parent/teacher meetings during the year. *Please make every effort to attend your child's virtual conference*.

How your child relates with his/her environment at home and in the neighborhood can provide insight into your child's social and academic adjustment at school. With this in mind, please consider the following points in preparation for your conference:

Tips for a Successful Conference

- 1. Plan for conferences. Talk to you child. Jot down questions. Glance over your child's textbooks and the work he/she brings home. Think about your child's learning style and study habits.
- 2. Ask questions about your child's schoolwork, his/her relationship with students and teachers, and any class or school rules you don't understand.
- 3. Stay calm. Don't get angry or defensive, argue or try to assess blame. Concentrate instead on anticipating problems, finding solutions and developing a good working relationship with the teacher.
- 4. Share any information that might help the teacher develop a better understanding of your child.
- 5. Decide with the teacher what, if anything, needs to be done to support your child. Agree on plans, responsibilities and future steps before you leave.
- 6. Talk with your child after the conference and share what was discussed. Be positive and encouraging.
- 7. Follow up. Implement your end of any agreement. Keep in touch with the teacher. If the plan doesn't seem to be working, or if new problems develop, call the teacher and ask for another meeting. You are partners with the teacher in fostering your child's learning.

Above all when talking to your child's teacher about him/her, remember to be open! Do not try and tell a teacher what you think they want to hear; tell them your honest assessment of your child or a situation. We are here to help and work with you to have the most successful school experience possible for your child!