Dear Lake View Families,

I hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and happy. Time with family is one of life’s most precious gifts and I know you join me in looking forward to taking advantage of the extra time that Winter break offers.

As I reflect on this semester, teachers and students continue to work together in the classrooms to engage in challenging curriculum, build relationships, and establish caring communities that make Lake View the special place that it is. I continue to truly appreciate the level of family involvement with all of our school events. I thank you all for your commitment to Lake View where it is a great place to learn and play above the line every day.

In connection with the district’s end of the quarter review that you received last week (if you would like to take another look you can find it at www.mmsd.org/quarterly-review) we have included our updates of our work with our school improvement plan. It represents the professional development work and planning we are doing with learning and climate school wide.

Here are a few highlights:
- Teacher teams working to support work with Common Core State Standards.
- Creation of Phonics and Foundational skills blocks
- School wide PBS systems and structures
- Increased number lessons being used in outdoor classroom and school forest.

It is critical that every quarter, we check our progress and plan for our next steps. Please be sure to look at our Family friendly SIP and feel free to ask any clarifying questions you might have.

Upcoming events:

**Tuesday, December 9th**
- Family Literacy Night 6:00-7:30
- Book Fair in LMC 3:15 - 7:30
- Dinner at 6:00 in gym
- Student and parent learning sessions 6:00-7:00. (Create fun reading activities for home)
- UW Northeast clinic staff will come and do fun reading activities about healthy choices

**Tuesday, January 13th**
- PTA Meeting from 6:00-6:30 where we will serve dinner and provide child care then, directly afterwards will have Family Math Night. This event will go from 6:30-7:30. Please come ready to play some educational math games with your child that you can take home and enter a raffle to win a math board game to bring home.

These are great ways to celebrate learning and community at Lake View and we can’t wait to see you there!!!

I want to remind you that my door is always open to families to discuss any concerns or share any thoughts you might have. Please make sure to continue to contact me at any time at 204-4040 or at kkloos@madison.k12.wi.us.

Respectfully,

Kristi Kloos
Mark Your Calendars!

Family Literacy Night at Lake View

December 9, 2014

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Dinner will be provided.

MSCR is hosting a literacy based experience

MSCR will have a cozy reading space for families to read together.

Parent make-and-take literacy sessions.

The Book Fair will be held in the Library from 3:20 - 8:00 pm.

UW Northeast clinic staff will be available to share books and learn about healthy living.

We hope to see you there!

Book Fair Questions - Contact Shannon Furman - 204-4048 or sstetter@madison.k12.wi.us
MSCR Event Questions - Contact Rachel Deterding - 204-4055 or rdeterding@madison.k12.wi.us
Music Updates

Up Close and Musical/Opera for the Young

Opera for the Young presented its version of *Beauty and the Beast* on October 14. Students from grades 2 and 3 were selected to perform onstage as part of the production, and everyone seemed to enjoy the performance.

This year we have also collaborated with the Madison Symphony Orchestra and the University of Wisconsin-Madison to present *Up Close and Musical*. Members of the Hunt String Quartet have and will be visiting with classes in grades 1-3 to play their instruments for the students and present a lesson on a musical concept. Students also attend a mini-concert featuring the full quartet during each visit. So far we have had two classroom visits, and the students have been very enthusiastic. Future visits will happen in March and April.

5th Grade Strings

Thank you to everyone who attended our first concert of the year on November 11. We had 30 students performing their new string instruments, and we look forward to more opportunities to perform later this year, including the East HS attendance area string festival on Saturday, March 14. Please encourage your child as he/she begins this new endeavor – beginning a new instrument takes patience and practice, and the hard work will continue to pay off well beyond 5th grade.

Madison BoyChoir Festival

Boys in grades 2-5 are invited to join the Madison BoyChoir Festival on Saturday, February 7. The event will take place at West High School throughout the morning, with a closing concert at 12:30. Please look for more information coming home soon in backpack mail.

2014-15 Concert and Event Schedule

Please note the following concert and event dates for this school year:
Saturday, February 7 – Madison BoyChoir Festival – West High School
Tuesday, March 3 – 2nd and 3rd grade concert (plus choir) – Lake View gym
Saturday, March 14 – East Area Strings Festival – East High School
Tuesday, May 19 – Fine Arts Night and K/1 concert (plus strings and choir) – Lake View gym

These concert dates may be subject to change, and more performances may be added throughout the year – please continue to check the Chalk Chat newsletters and backpack mail for updated information. Thank you!

Wrapping Paper Tubes Wanted

If you are doing any gift-wrapping in preparation for the holiday season, please consider saving your wrapping paper tubes – they come in very handy for making musical instruments and other projects. Tubes can be dropped off at the music room anytime. Thank you!

Ms. Felton’s Contact Info
608-204-4069
tmfelton@madison.k12.wi.us
Lake View Endowment Makes Grants Possible

The Foundation for Madison’s Public Schools’ School Endowments provide each school with annual income that is used to fund creative and innovative programs and projects that are not funded within the core school budget. Recently 49 schools were awarded grants totaling $78,290.

This year Lake View had $950.00 in endowment income available to use to make grants for imaginative programs and projects that propel student learning which can’t currently be funded through the core school budget.

Our grants committee decided to fund the following projects using the available endowment income:

If you have any questions about the School Endowments, please contact Mary Bartzen at 237-7723 or mbartzen@fmps.org. To donate to our school’s endowment, visit the Foundation for Madison’s Public Schools’ website at www.fmps.org.

School Improvement Plan/Outdoor Classroom Update:
Our Grow Team reported that all classrooms have committed to doing one lesson this year in the outdoor classroom. Many classes would like to do more than that. If you are interested in volunteering in our outdoor classroom, please contact Erica Krug at ekrug@madison.k12.wi.us or Martha Stryker at mgstryker@madison.k12.wi.us. Thank you!
Is Your Child Well Enough to Go to School?

It is not always easy to decide if your child is sick enough to stay home or well enough to be in school. Children who come to school are expected, with few exceptions, to participate fully in school activities.

Here are some guidelines that might help in a parent’s decision-making:

1. **Fever**: A fever of 100 degrees or more signals an illness that is probably going to make a student uncomfortable and unable to function well in class. Your child should stay home until his or her temperature is less than 100 degrees for a day and he/she is feeling better.

2. **Vomiting, Diarrhea or Severe Nausea**: These are symptoms that require a student to remain at home until a normal diet is tolerated the night before and the morning of school.

3. **Infectious Diseases**: Diseases such as impetigo, pink eye with thick drainage, and strep throat require a health care provider’s visits and prescription for medication. Contacting the health care provider and using the medicine as directed for the full recommended length of time are necessary. A student may return to school 24 hours after the first dose of an antibiotic and if he/she is feeling well.

Students with chicken pox may return to school when all the scabs are completely dried and no new lesions are developing (usually 5-7 days).

4. **Rashes**: Rashes or patches of broken, itchy skin need to be examined by a health care provider if they appear to be spreading or not improving.

5. **Injuries**: If a student has an injury that causes continuous discomfort, the student should not attend school until the condition is checked by a health care provider or it improves. Injuries that interfere with class participation need a medical evaluation. If participation in physical education classes is not recommended, a health care provider’s excuse is required.
No School
December 22 through January 2
Winter Break

SAFE ARRIVAL/ATTENDANCE
The Safe Arrival Program represents our best efforts in partnership with parents, to have good communication every time a student is absent from school.

The parent’s part: If a student will be absent, CALL THE SCHOOL SAFE ARRIVAL LINE 204-4042. This is a 24/7 answering machine. State your child’s name, teacher name and reason for the absence.

The school’s part: We take attendance at the beginning of each school day. If we have not heard from you on the safe arrival line we will contact you to see if the child is at home. It is absolutely essential that we have a current number for each child. If your contact number has changed please contact the school office.
This is the brick entrance to Lake View School. It is made of hard brick and does not convey the warm welcome waiting inside. The Lake View PTA wants to change that and needs your help.

We are working with renowned local artist, Henry Hawkins, to create a mural on this wall (facing Tennyson Lane) telling Lake View’s story. Henry will be meeting with students and staff over the next month to see their ideas and hear what they think. He will prepare a design to share at the December Book Night. Then over the winter he will complete the design and work with everyone to paint it. It will be dedicated at our Fine Arts Night on May 5, 2014.

What are some of your favorite Lake View memories? What do you or your children love about Lake View? Would you like to help paint the mural?

Please email PTA President, Joel Johnson at nannybeard@gmail.com or Susan Hobart at sjhobart@wisc.edu and tell us! Or send a note to school with your child.

For more information on our school garden and OUTDOOR CLASSROOM, visit Lake View’s Path to the Outdoor Classroom http://youtu.be/AQLDGwFlno, the Lake View portal at Community Groundworks www.troygardens.org/content/youth-garden-portal or www.lakeviewgarden.blogspot.com
Congratulations to all the new 2013-2014 Student Senators
Thanks for making Lake View a Great place
For learning and giving back to our community.

Mary Thao          Samuka Bility          Tristin Sowell-Taylor
Muhammed Fatty     Joseph Lee            Lenna Xiong
Jordan Robbins     Aveyanunna Evans      Manny Ramos
Nathan Moore       Cher Lee              Xavier Yarn
Aleyah Easton      Damarion Harper       Deonte Lethlean
Deangelo Washington Kyleisha Little      Quinn Westbury
Cece Sherven       Terrion Hill         Elise DuChateau
Indigo Kopstein    Dakota Hericks        Metta Jarra
John Her           Le’Mya Hall           Kasey Templeton
Kimora Lewis       Nelani Pichon-Luser   Tavon Nammavong
Jon Soruson        Antwanette Lewis      Dylan Johnson
Mason Walter       Nalani Lucier         Atantza Avila
Shaw Jackson       Sami Snell           David Monfils
Lindsay Trimbell   Margot DuChateau      Gavin Johnson
Juliette Hayes     Austin Welsch         Eliana Monat
Suchart Her        Briana Welsch         Mantas Kudzin
Elyse Schwartz     Mason Shitford-Shemwell
Ulysses Kovach     Doris Lopez-Cardenas

Traffic Safety Reminder
Do not enter the school driveways between 7:00 am and 4:00 pm unless you
have requested and received permission from the school office.

No entrar la entrada escolar entre 7:00 am y 4:00 pm a menos que pidio y reci-
bio permiso de la oficina de la escuela.

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4:00 pm, tsuas tshwj tias koj tau lus tso cai hauv tsev kawmntawv chav tuav
ntaub ntawv.