

“Setting the Course for Lifelong Learners”

# Lakeport Clipper

## OCTOBER 2009



### Lea Gourlay, Principal

Julee Ferguson, Secretary  
Karen Jennings, Secretary  
Lakeport Elementary School  
3835 Franklin Street  
Lakeport, MI 48059  
(810) 984-6521

*We have some left over containers from the Bake Sale. A metal one, a cupcake container with blue handles and one with the name Praet on the back. If these containers belong to you, please come to the school to pick them up. Thank you for your donations!!*

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Oct 7 Fundraiser ends, orders and money due
- Oct 9 Picture Day  
Mrs. Jokie's class to Dr. Seuss Play 9-11:40
- Oct 13-29 MEAP
- Oct 16 Mrs. Jokie's class to McCallums 8:35-11:30
- Oct 28 Mrs. Jokie's class to Pine River 8:35-2:00
- Oct 30 **HALF DAY** - Classes Dismiss 11:38  
Teacher In-Service
- Nov 3 Fundraiser Delivery 2:50-6:00
- Nov 4&5 Hearing and Vision Screening
- Nov 16 Hearing and Vision Rescreen
- Nov 16-20 Book Fair
- Nov 17-20 **HALF DAY**-Classes Dismiss 11:38  
Parent Teacher Conferences  
AM Kdg attends 17th & 18th (8:19-11:38)  
PM Kdg attends 19th & 20th (8:19-11:38)
- Nov 25-27 **NO SCHOOL**-Thanksgiving Break
- Nov 30 Classes Resume
- Dec 8 Retake Day
- Dec 21-Jan 1 **NO SCHOOL**-Winter Break
- Jan 4 Classes Resume
- Jan 29 **NO SCHOOL**-Teachers' Records Day
- Feb 1 Classes Resume
- Feb 3 Report Cards go home
- Feb 11 Spring Picture Day
- Feb 12-15 **NO SCHOOL**-Mid Winter Break
- Feb 16 Classes Resume
- April 2-9 **NO SCHOOL**-Spring Break
- April 12 Classes Resume
- April 21 Report cards go home
- May 14 Water Safety, Ms. Petersen 9:15-11:15
- May 31 **NO SCHOOL**-Memorial Day Recess
- June 1 Classes Resume
- June 16 5th grade breakfast, 8:45  
3-5 Awards Assembly, 1:30
- June 17 **Last Day of School**



### \*\*\*Important Reminder\*\*\*

Phone calls **will not** be transferred to the classrooms during instructional time. Calls can be transferred to the classroom on teacher's prep. Please find out from your child's teacher when their prep time is. Calls will be sent to the teacher's voice mail during instructional time.

## LUNCH BUNCH

Every month, as a reward for student achievement or behavior, Mrs. Gourlay will have lunch with a bunch of Clippers. One lucky student from each classroom will have their name drawn from the group of students who have met the Lunch Bunch criteria for the month. The criteria, chosen by the Lakeport staff, changes monthly, but will cover the areas of reading, math, spelling, science, good behavior and homework during the school year. ***Responsibility will be the Lunch Bunch criteria for the month of October. Behavior was the criteria for September.***

**DAKOTA BOKANO  
BROOKE BOWERMAN  
EMILEE BRACKENBURY  
PAUL BRETTSCHEIDER  
PETER LUCIDO  
BRETT O'NEILL  
JAMES ONGIE  
GRACE ROGERS  
GRACIE SNYDER**




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### NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PORT HURON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE PORT HURON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE 2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE HELD AT 7:00 P.M. ON THE FOLLOWING DATES UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED AT A LATER DATE BY POSTING.

October 19, 2009	Holland Woods
November 16, 2009	Port Huron High School
December 14, 2009	Thomas Edison Elementary
January 18, 2010	Keewahdin Elementary
February 8, 2010	Michigamme Elementary
March 15, 2010	Kimball Elementary
April 19, 2010	Port Huron Northern
May 17, 2010	Roosevelt Elementary
June 21, 2010	Fort Gratiot Middle School

The Port Huron Area School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, height, weight, religion, or marital status in its programs and activities.

Ken Kraft, Director of Administrative Services, has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies.

## CONTACTING TEACHERS

You can contact teachers through voice mail or through email. If you would like to send email, you will need to enter the first initial of the teacher's first name, followed by the teacher's last name, with the following: @port-huron.k12.mi.us.

For example, if you need to contact Mrs. Lea Gourlay, her email address is lgourlay@port-huron.k12.mi.us. Please feel free to use this form of communication if you have access to the internet.

You may contact a teacher through voice mail by dialing 989-2781, you then enter the teacher's mailbox number. If you do not have the teacher's mailbox number, you may access it by the teacher's name.

Below is a list of teachers and voice mail numbers.

Mrs. J. Bain-Schwanz	409
Mrs. S. Ballinger	403
Mrs. B. Basner	417
Mrs. M. Bonner	408
Mrs. K. Butler	419
Mrs. Y. Caldwell	403
Mrs. J. Dunkel	413
Mrs. D. Erdman	411
Mrs. S. Fagan	407
Mrs. J. Ferguson	400
Mrs. M. Garrettson	430
Mrs. L. Gourlay	401
Mrs. L. Hall	435
Mrs. K. Jennings	402
Mrs. A. Jokie	418
Mr. P. Kenner	423
Mrs. M. May	429
Mrs. M. Paladino	416
Ms. M. Petersen	414
Mrs. K. Sanderson	412
Mrs. B. Shumaker	427
Mrs. K. Slumppf	422
Mr. S. Stapleford	424
Mrs. D. Walke	410
Mrs. J. Weston	406
Mrs. M. Wilson	421
Mr. R. Wydrzynski	436
YMCA	420



## PESTICIDE APPLICATION

Lakeport Elementary will undergo pesticide application on the 4th Wednesday of every month after 5:00 PM.



## **IMPORTANT!! AVOID BUS CONFUSION!**

All students will be put on their regular bus at dismissal time unless we have a note from the parent giving different directions. If a student is to ride the bus home with another student, the parent of the student making the bus change must write a note or call the office for a bus deviation for his/her child.

**BUS NUMBER AND BUS STOP  
INFORMATION MUST BE GIVEN TO AVOID BUS  
CONFUSION.**

**You can find this information on our website  
([www.lakeportclippers.org](http://www.lakeportclippers.org))**

Deviations are not allowed for parties, visits to friends' homes, etc. These calls should be made and notes brought to the office in the morning. Often we have students who tell the teacher that they are going to be picked up by mom, dad, grandma or someone. If the student does not have a note, the student will be put on the bus. We do this to avoid confusion and students left at the school after buses leave. Thank you for your help in these matters!

### **YMCA**

YMCA Prime Time and Warm Worlds is offered at Lakeport Elementary. This program is Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. It provides a variety of group and individual activities including gym, homework time, crafts, and snacks. Please call the YMCA for more information at 987-6400.



## **Burtchville Township Library events**

Lapsit: a program for children ages 1-3 and their parents  
Tues, Oct 6 and Tues, Oct 20 at 10:30 a.m.

Small Wonders: a program for children 4-5  
Fri, Oct 2, 9 and 23 at 10:00 a.m.

Visiting Nurse Association: Friday October 23  
from 12:00-2:00 pm  
Flu shots will be available for \$25.00, pneumonia shots available for \$40.00

Friends of the Burtchville Township Library  
Book Sale:  
Saturday October 31, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

**Congratulations to  
Maddie Frank  
who won our "Take the Clipper  
Tour" drawing.**

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## **BUS SAFETY**

Please review "proper" bus boarding and bus exiting rules with your child.

### **Boarding**

- Remain back off the road
- Stand where the bus driver can see you
- Stand in line and remain there until bus stops and door opens
- Get on quickly and quietly, say "Good Morning" to the driver
- Quickly find a seat and sit down, bottom to bottom and back to back

### **Exiting**

- Get ready when you see your stop coming up
- Wait until the bus stops before standing up and then quickly exit the bus
- Walk about 5 steps in front of the bus so you can see the driver
- Wait until the driver waves you across and then look both ways and quickly WALK across the road and get into your driveway away from the road...Go directly to your house

### **T-SHIRTS**



Show your school spirit on Wednesday by wearing your Lakeport Elementary t-shirt. We have youth large t-shirts available in the office for \$7.50.

## School Lunch Program

We encourage everyone to fill out a free/reduced lunch application. Applications were mailed home and are available in the office. Please return them promptly. **If a student qualified last school year for free or reduced lunch, that qualification will continue this year until the end of September. Please get a new form turned in as soon as possible!** If the student does not qualify this year, parents are responsible to pay back charges from the beginning of the year.

It is our policy to not allow students to have more than one lunch charge. Please be sure that students have lunch money daily to avoid lunch charges. Parents will be notified if there are excessive lunch charges.

Every month, we will send a menu home with each student. Please remember that even though there are sometimes two choices for lunch, your child should be willing to eat either selection. We are sent a certain number of each choice and may run out of your child's "favorite" before they come through the lunch line.

## YMCA PARENTS Great news!!

Parents calling the YMCA at Lakeport Elementary can now call the room directly rather than going through the office.

**Parents, please dial  
989-2781 ext. 420**

when you are calling the YMCA room. Please jot this number down for future reference.

**Thank you!**

## “Our Schools” Newsletter

The “Our Schools” newsletter is now available online only.

Visit [www.phasd.us](http://www.phasd.us) for school calendar and busing info.

## Parent/Community Advisory

The Lakeport Parent/Community Advisory Committee consists of grade level representatives and/or community leaders. They meet with Mrs. Gourlay to discuss current programs, learn what occurs in our school community and to provide input for the future of Lakeport Elementary. Anyone interested may attend.

Meetings are scheduled for 9:45 on

October 1

November 19

January 21

February 18

March 18

May 20

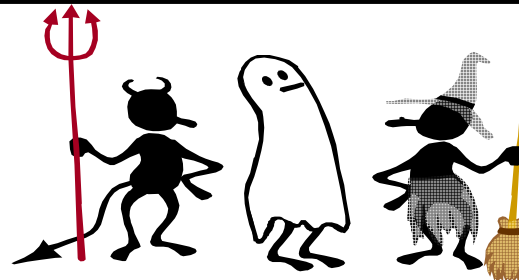
It will last for approximately one hour. Please feel free to come to any of the meetings. The first topic will be to review the Lakeport School Improvement Plan. Future topics include school surveys and the EdYES! Component of the school report card.

## REMINDER

PICTURE DAY  
FRIDAY, OCT 9



HALF DAY  
CLASSES DISMISS 11:38  
FRIDAY, OCT 30



## SCHOOL SCHEDULE

8:05 a.m. Breakfast Begins

8:12 a.m. Students may enter the Building

8:22 a.m. Tardy Bell Rings

11:20 a.m. A.M. Kindergarten Dismissal

11:54 a.m. P.M. Kindergarten Arrival

2:55 p.m. Student Dismissal

From October 13 through October 30, third fourth, and fifth graders at Lakeport Elementary School along with third, fourth, and fifth graders across Michigan, will be participating in the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP). All students in these three grades will be measured in the areas of Language Arts (Reading) and Math. Fourth graders will also be tested on Writing. The fifth graders will be tested in the Science area.

Please make sure your child school on these dates:

- Tuesday, Oct. 13 (Reading Session 1)
- Thursday, Oct. 15 (Reading Session 2)
- Tuesday, Oct. 20 (Math)
- Thursday, Oct. 22 (Science 5<sup>th</sup> Grade only)  
(Writing 4<sup>th</sup> Grade only)

**How can you help?**

- Make sure your child attends school on testing days.
- Be sure your child gets a good night's sleep during the testing period.
- Provide breakfast on the mornings of testing.
- Remind your child to ask the teacher questions if he/she does not understand the test directions.
- Encourage your child to approach the test with a positive attitude.
- Be an encourager for them. Let him/her know that you think he/she will do well on tests.
- Be sure your child leaves home happy and arrives to school on time.

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**Advisory Alert to All Parents**

As part of the Port Huron Area School District's pest management program, pesticides are occasionally applied. You have the right to be informed prior to any pesticide application made to the school grounds and buildings. In certain emergencies, pesticides may be applied without prior notice, but you will be provided notice following any such application. If you need prior notification, please complete the information below and submit to:

Ms. Katherine Peternel  
Purchasing Department  
P.O. Box 5013  
Port Huron, MI 48060-5013  
984-3101, ext. 205

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Pesticide Prior Notification Form  
Lakeport Elementary

Parent/Guardian Name : \_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Name : \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone : Day \_\_\_\_\_ Night \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to be notified prior to a scheduled pesticide treatment inside of the school/building.  
\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to be notified prior to a scheduled pesticide treatment outside of the school/building.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Both of the above.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

