

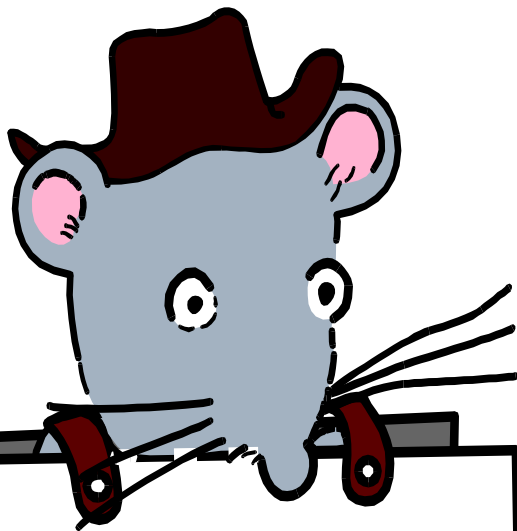


**LOTTIE M. SCHMIDT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
L A C S A I N T E C L A I R E
C H R O N I C L E**

November , 2005

Mrs. Anne Berglund, Principal

Our mission is to develop personal responsibility, strong academic skills, social sensitivity, and a sense of well being in each child.



THANKSGIVING RECESS

No classes will be in session from Wednesday November 23rd through Friday, November 25th so that our families can observe and enjoy the Thanksgiving Holiday. School resumes on Monday, November 28th. The Staff at Lottie wish all of you a happy and restful Thanksgiving. We certainly have a great deal to be thankful for and we are especially thankful for the great children and families that are part of the Lottie community.

Market Day pick-up will be on Monday, November 14th from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in our cafeteria. Don't forget, if you're not here and your order hasn't been paid for, the order is returned on the truck.

Dress for the Weather

Make sure your child dresses for the weather every day. We go outside every day unless it is raining or the wind-chill is below 15 degrees. It is easier for a child to take off a hat, jacket, or gloves than to try and stay warm without them.

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER IN
NOVEMBER**

- November 1st **No Students in Attendance**
Professional Development Day
- November 3rd 2nd Grade Musical (2:00 pm and 7:00 pm)
- November 4th Popcorn & Sucker Friday
- November 8th Report Cards Sent Home
- November 8th Parent/Teacher Evening Conferences (6:00/8:15 pm)
- November 9th Scope Meeting (6:30 pm)
- November 10th Parent/Teacher Evening Conferences (6:00/8:15 pm)
- November 11th **Half Day of School - Dismissal at 11:36 am**
- November 11th Parent/Teacher Afternoon Conf. (1:00/3:00 pm)
- November 14th 2nd Grade Field Trip (9:00/11:45 am)
Macomb Center for the Performing Arts
- November 14th Market Day Pick-Up (5:00/6:00 pm) Cafeteria
- November 18th Popcorn & Sucker Friday
- November 23rd **NO SCHOOL** Thanksgiving Recess Begins !
- November 28th **SCHOOL RESUMES**

North South East West....HOME is BEST !!!



JINGLE BELL RUN
Sunday, December 11th, 2005
Info@JingleBellRun.com



Principally Speaking: Please remember that you should pick-up and/or drop-off your child at the side of the building. When the buses are in the **BUS LOOP** at the beginning of the day, and at the end, ***there should not be any cars*** traveling through that area. If you choose to use the front parking lot, you will need to walk your child to and from the building. I feel that it is ***unsafe*** for the children to walk unsupervised between the buses. In addition, if you have been walking your child to their lockers or classrooms, please drop them off at the front doors of the building. The lower elementary sections of our halls have become congested with adults. Thank you in advance for cooperating with these matters. *Mrs. Berglund, Princi-*



Welcome Sandra Gniazdoski to Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary as our Literacy Tutor. Sandra obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and minors in Science and Language Arts. She has been in a variety of classrooms from kindergarten through the fifth grade for the past four years and loves her work. Her goal at Lottie M. Schmidt is to work with students to improve and strengthen their literacy skills. We are happy to have Sandra as part of our Lottie family.

Crafters needed for Lottie Elementary Santa Shop on December 1st. The table rental fee is \$10.00 for a crafter and \$20.00 for a vendor. Items should be priced for children \$5.00 and under. More expensive items can be displayed after school hours. We even supply the table for you. If interested, please contact



Student Council

The following students have been appointed to represent their class on the 2005-06 Student Council: Ella Potter, Alex DeRita, Lexi Harris, Paige Zukowski, John Yank, Shane Lohr, Erica Alex, Brianna Failla, Bryce Perala, Victoria Badia, Garrett Hare, Valeria Curlett. Congratulation to all of our Lottie representatives and a special thanks to Mrs. Harrison our Student Council Coordinator.



The Importance of Reading

The importance of reading to and with a child cannot be over emphasized. Many say that good reading skills can be the best predictor of a child's success in school.

Did you know:

1. Average children enter school knowing about 5000 words.
2. In 1st and 2nd grade children need to learn at least 800 new words a year.
3. From 3rd grade on, they need to learn almost 3000 new words a year.

The main way to learn new words is through reading and repeated exposure. It takes an average of 15 to 19 exposures before a child is truly comfortable with a new word. This refers, being able to read it but also understanding the meaning and how to use it.

Unfortunately, the average 5th grader spends less than 5 minutes per day reading outside of school. The top 20% of 5th graders in reading, read more than **20 times as many words** as children who at the bottom 20%. Many children are good at sports or video games because they practice so much. These same children often never read. The only way to become a good reader is to READ, READ, READ! Everyday, there should be family reading time when all electronics are off and the family all read at the same time. Even 20 minutes a day will increase your child's skills. Make reading as important as sports and video games to your child and he or she will have a successful school career.

Jane Morgan, School Psychologist

Anchor Bay School District Indian Education Program

The office of Indian Education (Title VII-A) grants money for special educational needs of American Indian children. If you fall in this category, please contact Susan Wrobel, Project Coordinator @ 725-0284.

Macomb Intermediate School District

in collaboration with

Karen Davison

Presents:

GET THEM OFF TO A GREAT START

A workshop for elementary school parents. The presentation covers the very important topics of study skills, helping with homework and test-taking. The hands-on format is fun and practical.

Areas of concentration include:

Homework; All About Studying/Conditions; and Test-Taking

This workshop is for the parent(s) only.

Date: Tuesday, Nov. 8th

Location: Macomb ISD, Room 100C

(Enter the building through the SOUTH ENTRANCE)

44001 Garfield Road

Clinton Twp., MI 48048

Time: 7-8 p.m.

Fee: \$15/Parent(s)-register online!

www.misd.net and click on course offerings

C O L D A N D F L U S E A S O N

Mary had a little cold, but didn't stay at home.

And everywhere that Mary went the cold was sure to roam.

It wandered into Molly's eyes and filled them full of tears.

It jumped from there to Adam's nose and then to Josh's ears.

It painted Amber's throat bright red, and swelled poor Mindy's head.

Dora had a fever, and a cough put Joe to bed.

The moral of this little tale is very quickly said.

Mary could have saved a lot of pain with just one day in bed!

Doctor's recommend your child be **FEVER FREE** for 24 hours or on an antibiotic for 24 hours before returning to school.

END OF DAY MESSAGES: If you need to get a message to your child near the end of the day, you need to call before 2:45 p.m. At the end of the day the office and the classrooms get extremely busy and it is very difficult to get messages to students about changes in schedules or pickups unless you call early. Thank you.

TAKING A DIFFERENT BUS HOME: Children are not allowed to ride a different bus home from school unless they have a note from their parent. The note must be brought to the office in the **MORNING**.

Keep your emergency card up to date with accurate phone numbers and contacts. Your child's care is your responsibility and their safety is important to our staff.

Under NO circumstances are children to bring any medication to school or on the bus. This includes aspirin, cough syrup, and over-the-counter medications.

Pesticide Notice: Just a reminder that applications and treatments for pests by certified applicators occur on the last Friday of the month or when persons are not using the treated areas. In certain emergencies, area may be treated without prior notice, but you will be provided with notice following such application.