

1001 Lakeland Dr SE
Willmar, MN 56201

School Phone Numbers

- Main Line:
(320)263-5020
- Attendance:
(320)263-5021
- Nurse:
(320)263-5014
- Fax:
(320)263-5030
- Cardinal Place:
(320)263-5025
- Palmer Bus:
(320)382-6421
- Willmar Bus:
(320)235-2110
- Woodlands
Mobile Crisis
Hotline:
(800)432-8781

Stay Connected!

- Lakeland Twitter
@WillmarLake
- Lakeland Remind
@willlake
- WPS Facebook

Lakeland Elementary

March 2024

Parent Satisfaction Survey Results—February 2024

During the month of February, Lakeland's annual Parent Satisfaction Survey was sent to all families. It was offered in three languages, and the results have been compiled:

- * 97% of households believe they are greeted with courtesy and respect.
- * 97% of households like the school.
- * 97% of families report their child looks forward to coming to school.
- * 95.5% of responses show that there is at least one trusted adult

their child knows he/she can go to for help.

- * 97.9% of households report their child feels safe at school, and 96.9% of the adults who responded felt their child is safe at school.
- * 98.5% of households would recommend Lakeland to a parent of an elementary child.
- * 97% of our households respond they are satisfied with Lakeland.

Facebook was the social media platform 95.5% of families would like to see Lakeland use.

As a district, we are only allowed a Twitter account. We hear you! We will try to advocate for a school Facebook account.

In looking at the comments for areas that families would like to see changed, we saw three trends with the most feedback:

- ⇒ The parking lot and drop-off, pick-up
- ⇒ Smaller Class Sizes
- ⇒ Bringing back more school wide celebrations

Thank you for taking the time to respond! We will use the feedback for future planning.

Kinder Registration is Open!

It's that time of year!! Registration for next year's kindergarteners is now open. If you have a child, or know a child, who will be five by September 1, 2019, we would love to see him/her at Lakeland next year!

Registration is done online for all students. When on

the district homepage, www.willmar.k12.mn.us, simply click the "Registration" tab at the top of the screen. Once on that page, there are two options. If a family has a child already enrolled in Willmar Public schools, they select "Families with siblings already attending

Willmar Public Schools". If a family is new to the district or does not have older siblings already attending Willmar Public Schools, they select "New Families to the District". Please call our office at (320)263-5020, if you have questions.

**Register
NOW!**



Ms. Alissa:
"Hawaii"

*We asked our
office staff...
"What has
been your
favorite
vacation
destination?"*

Ms. Lexi:
"Cozumel,
Mexico!!"



Character Word: Responsibility

Each month, students learn about one character word. During the month of March, that word is **RESPONSIBILITY**.

Throughout the month, ask your child what he or she is learning about responsibility and how he or she is demonstrating it at school.

As a parent/guardian, here are some ways you

can help practice being responsible at home:

- ◇ Have your child complete age appropriate chores such as doing the dishes, setting the table for a meal, picking up his/her toys, or making his/her bed.
- ◇ Help your child practice the bedtime routine to be in bed by

the designated time. Tasks may include brushing teeth, reading a book, and saying goodnight to family members.

- ◇ Use a calendar to help remind your student about returning his/her library books to school or the public library on time.

February is Women's History Month

During March we recognize the amazing contributions women have contributed to our country. This year's national theme is "Women who Advocate for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion."

Here are Lakeland, we have women in many roles throughout the

building including teachers, support staff, and custodians. In fact, our building is made up of over 90% females. This building is also led by two female administrators, Mrs. Baumgarn and Mrs. Wilson.

As the women of Lakeland continue to set a

positive example for young women, they do it with the charge of advocating for the next generation. We are grateful for the contributions women have made in education in United States history. They have led the path for many people in this building.

Come work at WPS!

WPS Openings:
Full and part time
available

Substitute Teacher: Four year degree
required (any area)

Substitute Paraprofessional: High school diploma or GED required



Family Engagement Night—April 8th!

Our annual Family Engagement Night will look a little different this year. Instead of keeping things on the activities side of the building, we will be expanding and using the whole building.

In addition to activities being in the gym, STEM, music, and orchestra room, we will also have activities in each of the grade level pods.

A free meal of pizza, apples, milk, and a cookie will also be available for all attendees.

Also new this year, we will be opening up an hour early for our incoming kinder families. Our “Kinder Round Up” portion will run from 5:00-6:00 and will feature stops to help welcome our newest Lakeland members.

Because of the Kinder Round Up portion of the night, families with current Lakeland students in grades kinder through fifth, will be welcome to join the fun from 6:00-7:30pm.

DATE:

Monday, April 8th

KINDER ROUND UP:

5:00-6:00pm

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT NIGHT:

6:00-7:30pm

“Do the best you can in every task, no matter how unimportant it may seem at the time.”

--Sandra Day O'Connor

Book Talk—All Ages

During the first week of the March, Lakeland will be celebrating “Read Across America”. This national event recognizes the importance of reading and remembers the work of Dr. Seuss.

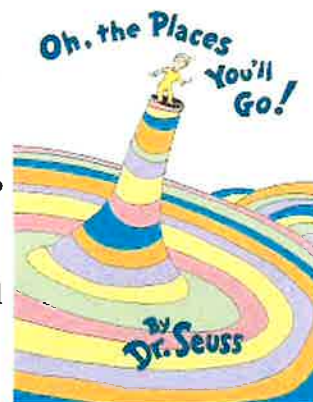
Oh, the Places You Go! is a favorite of many of the staff at Lakeland. The themes in

this book are appropriate for people of all ages in all journeys of life.

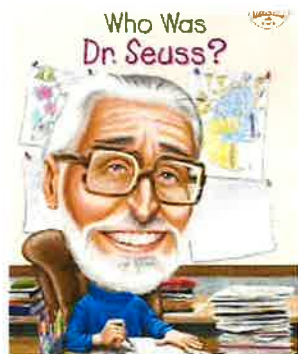
If you haven't picked up this book in awhile, give it another read and think about how the message applies to whatever phase of life you are in right now.

To all of our Lakeland kids, know that our staff loves you....

“And will you succeed? Yes, you will indeed. (98 and 3/4 percent guaranteed) Kid, you'll move mountains!”
—Dr. Seuss



Book Talk— Intermediate



Did you know that Dr. Seuss liked to doodle and often threw dinner parties where attendees wore funny hats? Have you wanted to learn more about who Dr. Seuss was as a person and author?

This biography is written

in student friendly form and is suitable for readers who are ready for chapter books.

Our library features a whole series of “What Was/Is” and “What Was/Is” non-fiction books. The topics of the books range

from historical figures to athletes to famous events.

If your student would like to try this series, our school staff can help him/her find a topic that would he/she would find interesting.

March 2024

				2
4 Cat in the Hat Day— Wear Stripes	5 Lorax Day—Take care of our school day!	6 Drop Everything and Read Day—Wear your pajamas 4th Grade to MS Musi- cal Dress Rehearsal	7 Thing One and Thing Two Day—Wear a cra- zy hat or crazy hair day	8 Fox in Sox Day—Wear crazy or mismatched shoes and socks Yearbook Orders Due!
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22 End of Term 3
25 No School—Spring	26 Break, March 25-19	27	28	29

Upcoming Events...April 2024

April 1: School Resumes

April 4: 5th Grade DARE Graduation, 2:00pm

April 8: Kinder Round Up and Family Night—note date change!!

April 10: No School

April 15: "We Are Lakeland" Staff/Parent Advisory Meeting, 4:00pm

