

Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary

Lac Sainte Claire Chronicle

September 8th, 2009 1st Edition

Mrs. Anne Berglund, Principal



Mission Statement

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

Principally Speaking: The Staff at Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary School would like to welcome you back for the 2009-2010 school year. Let's get ready to "Set Sail" on a new school year. Please note below our staff changes. We welcome back Mrs. Amy Chaney as our 2nd grade teacher and Mrs. Hurley has joined our staff as a 1st grade teacher, Ms. Moore will be our new literacy tutor, and Mrs. Moore will join Mr. White in our technology department.

We will continue to place students' safety as our number one concern and responsibility. Therefore, once the children have entered the building each morning, all outside doors will be locked, except one. The **main office (door # 1)** will be the only door kept unlocked during the school hours. All visitors will have to enter the building through the office, sign-in and wear a "visitors pass" while in the building.

If you are planning on driving your child to school, please drop them off and pick them up on the side of the building. In addition, if you intend to walk your child to the building each morning, please park **on the side**, rather than using the front parking lot. We want to avoid having any children walking in between the buses. Also, please **do not** walk your child to their classrooms.

Book Fair, Book Fair, Book Fair !!!!! We will have a Book Fair at LMS the first full week of school which is September 14th—17th. Review the info that is being sent home today. If you would like to help at the Book Fair please fill out the appropriate form and have your child return it to their teacher. We will also run the Book Fair the night of our Open House on September 15th from 6:00—7:00 pm

Carbonated Beverages (POP)



Remember.....we do not allow students to bring in their sack lunch any

carbonated beverages such as POP/SODA.

Let's welcome our new staff members!

Mrs. Sarah Hurley, 1st Grade
Mrs. Amy Chaney, 2nd Grade
Mr. Chopp, Evening Custodian
Ms. Emily Moore, Literacy Tutor
Mrs. Kelly Moore, Technology

We are sorry to say Mr. Schoening has left our school. He has taken a daytime position at Ashley Elementary, which made him very happy, so he could spend evenings with his family. Let's welcome Mr. Chopp from Ashley Elementary who accepted his position here at Lottie. We hear that Mr. Schoening misses us already! Mrs. Dukes will be a stay at home mom to enjoy the birth of her handsome son Brody.

Important phone numbers:

LMS: 586-725-7541

Transportation: 586-725-4220

After School Care (SACC): 586-716-7862

Important Dates to Remember in September and October

September	8th	Students <i>First Day</i> (1/2 Day)	8:36 - 12:06
September	9th	Students <i>First Full Day</i>	8:36 - 3:32
September	14th - 17th	Book Fair	During School
September	15th	OPEN HOUSE and Evening Book Fair	6:00 - 7:00 pm
October	7th	Student Picture Day !!	
October	17th	MOM 2 MOM Sale (Saturday)	9:00 to 1:00 pm

The Macomb County Health Division provides health services for Macomb County residents, businesses, and educational communities. Visit the MCHD website at: www.macombcountymi.gov or call 586-412-5945

SCHOOL HOURS 2009/2010

Start Time	End Time	Bus Departure	1/2 Day Schedule	Bus Departure
8:36 am	3:32 pm	3:39 pm	8:36-12:06 pm	12:13 pm



Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary School is considered a Title I building.

This federal classification provides additional funding and programs to benefit our students.

Last school year our district was able to purchase a language arts and math program called "SuccessMaker."

LMS Open House

At our annual *Open House*, parents will have an opportunity to meet the teachers and visit their child's classroom. Our *Open House* is on Tuesday, September 15th, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Our *Fall Book Fair* will be open at that time.

Anchor Bay Board of Education

Meeting Dates 2009-2010

School Board Meetings are held on Wednesdays
At 7:30 p.m. in the Library of Anchor Bay
Middle School North unless otherwise indicated.

August 26, 2009	School Board Meeting
Sept. 23, 2009	School Board Meeting
October 28, 2009	School Board Meeting
November 18, 2009	School Board Meeting
December 16, 2009	School Board Meeting
January 27, 2010	School Board Meeting
February 24, 2010	School Board Meeting
March 24, 2010	School Board Meeting
April 28, 2010	School Board Meeting
May 26, 2010	School Board Meeting
June 30, 2010	School Board Meeting

Box Tops For EDUCATION

Did you know that every time you shop for groceries you can earn cash for Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary School? Please cut out the BOX Top for EDUCATION symbol from many of the canned and boxed foods you use daily. Each BOX TOP coupon you save is worth 10¢ to our school

Please start (if you haven't already) collecting these coupons as we will soon have a competition among classrooms and grade levels.

You may wish to log on to www.boxtops4education.com for more information.

After School Arrangements

After school arrangements for your child, such as: going to a classmate's house, leaving with someone else, staying after for school activities, must be taken care of in ADVANCE. Permission slips are required to stay after school, ride another bus, or be dropped off at another stop from the bus. PLEASE discuss after school arrangements with your child in advance. Try not calling the office to give children directions. Hearing directions from a parent in the morning before coming to school works much better. This can be very confusing to your child, especially younger students. Safety is always first. If you need to make advanced after school arrangements with our SACC program you can call our Early Childhood Center at 586-716-7862 for more information. Keep in mind that if your child leaves with someone other than a parent that person must be on their emergency card in order for us to release them.



LMS Picture Day



*Our school pictures are scheduled for
Wednesday, October 7, 2009.*

We have a lot of fun on picture day!

When filling-out your order form please note there is a package for just ordering a year end class yearbook should you decide you don't want a whole package including single shots. By the end of the year every student wishes they had a yearbook...

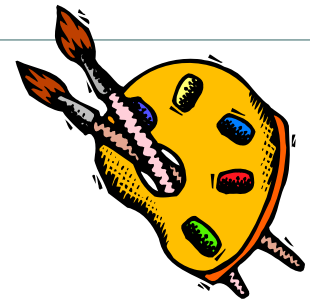
*Our school pictures are made available to us through
Photo-Factory.*

ART TO REMEMBER

*Our school will be participating in an **Art to Remember** program. Your child will have an opportunity to create his or her very own special piece of artwork. LMS children will start their artwork project immediately upon returning to school. Teachers will be handing out order packets & preview magnets to take home. Your child's affordable keepsake will make a perfect gift for any occasion and all items will be returned to our school and distributed by the holiday break.*

Coming Soon !!!!!

Mrs. Thomas and "Two Cats Pottery", would like everyone to know that she will be offering an after school art class in ceramics and painting. Adult classes offered too ! Look for information in the coming weeks.



MEDICATION

All medication to be administered during school hours must be registered with the Principal's office.

Medication must be brought to school by a parent/guardian. And will be properly secured in the main office.

Medications, either over the counter or prescription, will need our district form filled out and attached to it. Please ask for one in our main office.

This is per District Policy.



Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift. That's why it's called the present.

Information you need to know.....

THE MICHIGAN SCHOOL LAW STATES

Dear Parents/Guardian:

A new school year is beginning. Students are enthused about their classes and teachers are busy planning exciting lessons for their students. Please emphasize to your children the importance of being in school, as daily attendance is essential in order for a student to benefit from his/her educational experience.

If a student is not in school on a regular basis, it is not possible for maximum learning to occur.

Excessive **tardiness** is a concern because important announcements and classroom instructions are given at the beginning of the day. Good attendance patterns, which include punctuality, are developed at an early age. This must be emphasized in kindergarten and reaffirmed at every grade level.

It is the responsibility of the parent to instill in his/her child the importance of attending school.

All students in the Anchor Bay School District are expected to be in school on a regular day-to-day basis. Absences should occur only for legitimate, excusable reasons, generally illness. It is the responsibility of school personnel, according to the State of Michigan's Compulsory School Attendance Law, to monitor all students' attendance. Parents will be notified in writing following the seventh, fourteenth and twentieth absence/tardy accumulated within a school year.

Excessive absences must be reported to the Macomb County Independent School District Attendance Office.

We realize there are circumstances that contribute to a child's absences/tardiness.

When a child has excessive absences without medical documentation these absences may be investigated by school officials. School and home must work together to insure that students in the Anchor Bay School District develop to their maximum potential.

Your support in the matter of school attendance is appreciated.



**Protecting Our Water
... It's as Easy as Seven Simple Steps**

Did you know that over three million people depend on our lakes and streams for their drinking water? And that in Southeast Michigan there are over 300,000 registered boaters, and 3.5 million people visit a local park each year?,

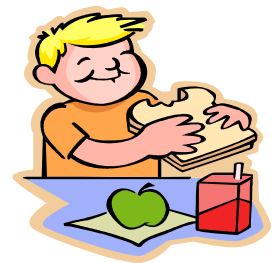
With this many people depending on our lakes and streams for drinking water and recreation, we need to be careful how we treat our water. You might not be able to see the stream or lake from your house, but it's there. It might be a small stream, ditch, or even a storm drain in the street. All of these lead directly to our lakes and streams.

So, what we do at home effects our water !

Here is one way you can take in your home and yard to protect our lakes and streams: **Carefully store and dispose of household cleaners, chemicals, and oil. Instead of putting hazardous products like antifreeze, motor oil, and pesticides in the trash, down the storm drain or on the ground, take them to a local hazardous waste collection day.**

Great news.....there are no meal price increases for the 2009/2010 school year.

Breakfast	\$1.00
Reduced Breakfast	.30¢
Lunch	\$2.00
Reduced Lunch	.40¢
Milk (Ala Carte)	.35¢



If you feel you would like to fill out a free/reduced meal form please ask for one in our main office. They are also available to you on our website at:

<http://anchorbay.misd.net/departmetns/foodservice/docs/combine.pdf>.