



# FROM THE LION'S DEN LAKEROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**Lakeroad Public School**  
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### Covid-19 Updates

Get important information at updates related to our Covid-19 procedures by checking our LKDSB website ([https://www.lkdsb.net/Board/Community/PublicHealth/Pages/default.aspx#/=](https://www.lkdsb.net/Board/Community/PublicHealth/Pages/default.aspx#/)) and the Lambton Public Health website (<https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus/parents/>)

### School Bus Zone 2

Download the [MySBI](#) Bus Status app which displays up to date bus service information for schools in LKDSB. This app uses real-time push notification alerts to keep users updated. Users can subscribe to receive alerts for inclement weather cancellations and school bus delays. Also see <https://www.schoolbusinfo.com/>

### School Hours:

8:40- Yard Supervision Begins  
8:50- Instruction Begins  
10:50-11:30- 1<sup>st</sup> Nutrition Break & Recess  
1:10-1:50- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nutrition Break & Recess  
3:10 Dismissal

### Crossing Guards

A crossing guard is on duty at the intersection of Indian Road and Lakeshore Road in the morning between 8:00 - 8:50AM & between 3:10 - 3:30PM.

### Online Updates:

Facebook: [facebook.com/Lakeroad-Public-School](https://facebook.com/Lakeroad-Public-School)  
[www.lkdsb.net/school/lakeroad/](http://www.lkdsb.net/school/lakeroad/)

### Going to be Away?

If your child is late for school or absent, please let us know by using SchoolMessenger. You can also call the school and let us know. We have 24/7 answering machine: (519) 542-5771.

**Late?** If a child is late for school, they are to come to the office for a late slip before going to class.

Hello Lakeroad Families,

This has certainly been a challenging year for everyone. I wanted to take a moment to thank our staff and families for working so collaboratively and with such consideration during these difficult times. I believe it is so important to pull together during challenges, and our Lakeroad community has done that so well. May the upcoming Spring season bring with it a reminder of the incredible power of hope and our endless capacity to be resilient and persevere.

Sincerely,

*LMacDonald*

Lisa MacDonald, Principal

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### Playground Equipment & Gathering After School

Our playground equipment remains closed at this time until the annual spring inspection is completed. Please remember, as well, that we are working hard to ensure that students are not in close contact with others outside of their class cohorts. Therefore, please do not gather in groups on the yard/playground outside of the school day.

### **Covid-19 Screening**

All families must assess their children daily using the “Daily Screening Questionnaire” (<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>) If children are showing any signs of illness, please keep them at home. Students who develop any Covid-19 symptoms during the day will be assessed at school. Using some discretion around a student’s baseline symptoms (ie. allergies that we are aware of etc.), Mrs. MacDonald will decide whether that child needs to be isolated from other students and picked up by a caregiver. Mrs. MacDonald will consult with Lambton Public Health as necessary. If your child suffers from seasonal allergies, or has another condition that has symptoms that are Covid-like, a doctor’s note that shares those details would be helpful to us.

### **COVID Test Centres**

Currently Lambton Public Health’s Student Testing Centres are operating at reduced hours to accommodate capacity needed at COVID-19 vaccine clinics. We wish to remind parents that children in school or child care that require a COVID-19 test will always need to book an appointment. Drop-ins cannot be accommodated. If a School Testing Centre option is not available parents/guardians can book an appointment at a Public Assessment Centre. Access to additional details for local testing and assessment can be found at <https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus/testing-criteria/>.

### **Attendance**

If your child is going to be away, please be sure to let the office know. You can report an absence or late by using SchoolMessenger or by calling the school and leaving a voicemail. Any students who are marked absent at 9:10 without a reason will have a phone call made home by our automatic Safe Arrival system. Thank you for your help with this.

### **SchoolMessenger**

As you are aware, the Lambton Kent District School Board recently implemented the new SchoolMessenger automated attendance messaging system. As with all new systems, we are still working through some issues but the

system has been relatively easy for parents and staff to use.

At this time, we have had to remove the Early Departure and Leave/Return function in the app because the system is not working as expected and we have changed the Spring Break from March to April. For parents that are currently using the mobile app, we will need you to log out of the application and then log back into the application in order for the changes to appear correctly in the app.

We appreciate your support and cooperation with this new system.

### **Change in Learning Mode**

The next due date to notify the office of a desire to change from face-to-face learning to virtual learning or vice versa is Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> by noon. Please call the office if you have any questions.

### **Noelle’s Gift**

We are able to support families who may need financial assistance through the Noelle’s Gift Foundation. Please reach out, and we can help by paying for medical appliances (glasses etc.), food, clothing, or other items you may need. We are all here to help and support each other, so please don’t hesitate if you could use some support. You can email me directly ([lisa.macdonald@lkdsb.net](mailto:lisa.macdonald@lkdsb.net)) or call me at the school.

### **Milk Sales**

Our school uses a “milk card” system, where students can purchase a card that will be punched each time they get milk. A staff member will be delivering milk to classes this year. Cards can be purchased on School Cash Online, \$6.50 for 10 milk and \$13 for 20 milk.

### **Picture Day**

Lifetouch will be here on March 26 for individual student pictures & graduation pictures. Lifetouch has Safety Protocols that will be in place to ensure the safety of staff and students while pictures are being taken. Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

## Kindergarten Registration

Is your child ready for Kindergarten? If your child is four or five years old by December 31, 2021, registration is as easy as 1,2,3!

- 1 – Find your school
- 2 – Complete the online registration form.
- 3 – Sign up for a virtual meeting with our amazing staff.

We will be having a second Kindergarten registration evening session for those who did not attend one of our sessions in February. For more information please call the school or visit <https://www.lkdsb.net/Elementary/Registration/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

## 2020-2021 Staff List

FDK- Mrs. White & Mrs. Beaudoin (ECE)  
Grade SK/1- Mrs. Clarke  
Gr. 1/2- Mrs. Kedwell  
Gr. 3/4 – Mrs. Norcross  
Gr. 4/5- Mrs. Perron  
Gr. 6/7- Ms. Schultz  
Gr. 7/8- Mr. Core  
French- Mme. Ciccone  
Prep/Learning Commons – Ms. Beach  
Resource- Mrs. Murphy  
EAs- Mrs. Harley/Mrs. Shanks  
Secretary- Mrs. Bramham  
Custodians- Mrs. Hillman, Mrs. Eagleson, Ms. Planetta

