# Spencer Pointe News

# <u>MAY 2022</u>

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## **Principal's Message**

**Happy May Spencer Pointe Families!** 

This month brings us joy and sadness. We are so joyful that we have completed the 21-22 school year with so many accomplishments. Our students have made new friends, learned and followed our school expectations, and increased their academic achievements. Be proud of your child for reading new sight words, getting their green light on Reflex, becoming a better citizen, mastering math facts, learning how to work with peers and independently, coming to school ready to learn and spreading joy to all of us. We could not be more proud of them. We are looking forward to a bright future.

On a sad note, we must say goodbye to two retiring staff members. CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. Mack (3rd grade) and Mrs. Maggio (school nurse). Both of these wonderful women will be retiring at the end of this school year. They have both added so much to our school community through the years and they will be missed. We wish them both the best of luck!

To our 3rd graders: we wish you the best of luck at Spencer Crossing. We know that you are well-prepared for 4th grade and will make us proud as you transition to intermediate school. To our first and second graders: have a wonderful summer. We know that you will continue to do great things and will come back to us in August ready to take on the challenges of your next grade.

Stay safe this summer.



#### **Calendar Events**

#### MAY

2nd - 6th - Teacher Appreciation Week (write your teacher a nice note this week)



6th - Teachers' Institute - half day (12:15 dismissal - no lunch)

 $\mathfrak{M}\mathfrak{G}\mathfrak{M}$  8th - Mother's Day

13th - 3rd grade Beach Day

17th - 1 day Bookfair

18th - 2nd grade Fun Day

19th - Field Day

20th - TCBY Day

25th - 1st grade Fun Day

27th - Last Day of School - half day (12:15 dismissal - no lunch)

27th - Report Cards Go Home

30th - Memorial Day







## **FIRST GRADE**

We can hardly believe that our fantastic first graders are nearly our spectacular second graders! They have all worked so hard this year! In April, we enjoyed celebrating spring and learning about Earth Day. We look forward to welcoming our little caterpillar friends into the classroom. We will watch and document their transformation into Painted Lady Butterflies. We will have a releasing ceremony this month. We are excitedly planning our end of year school countdown, Field Day, and the return of 1st Grade Fun Day. More information

will follow. Lastly, we thank you for an amazing school year and allowing us to be a part of your child's learning experience. We could not have done it all without your dedication and at-home support. Have an awesome, happy and safe summer!

Mrs. Bobbe - Mrs. Crobie - Mrs. Giannetta - Mrs. Kumke Mrs. McElroy - Mrs. O'Leary - Mrs. Stream - Miss Yager

### **Second Grade**

summer!

The second grade teachers would like to thank all of the parents for their support and encouragement this school year. As the end of the year is quickly approaching, we ask that you continue to encourage your child to do their best. May is a very busy month for us! We have many special events planned such as Field Day and Second Grade Fun Day! Please be sure to check our weekly newsletters for details regarding these activities as well as our end of the year school countdown. We are honored to have taught your children this school year and are so proud of all of their accomplishments. Have a wonderful

Mrs. Anderson – Mrs. Brennan – Mrs. McClain – Miss Nahas Mrs. O'Malley – Mrs. Oberts – Mrs. Rush



### THIRD GRADE

It's hard to believe that May is here and the end of the year is approaching! The last month is packed with many fun third grade and Spencer Pointe activities. We are looking forward to the end of the year school countdown. Be on the lookout for information that will be sent home about these fun activities. It has been our privilege to teach your children this year. We are proud of all of their accomplishments! Thank you for all of your support this year, and we wish you all a happy, fun and safe summer!

Ms. Hennessy - Mrs. Kinney - Mrs. Mack - Ms. Mangun -Mrs. Petrinos - Mrs. Proffitt - Mrs. Van Dyke - Mrs. White



# P.E. NEWS

I cannot believe how fast this school year has flown by! I have enjoyed every second of working with our students on how to exercise, participate in team activities, as well as demonstrating sportsmanship and sports skills. Our students have worked extremely hard and should be proud of all their effort this year. We will end the year with soccer skills and some fun team activities.

#### Field Day Information:

- Thursday, May 19th
- Wear your SP t-shirt & gym shoes
- Bring a water bottle with your name on it



Each grade level will participate in Field Day for a 1 hour 30 minute time slot.

Thank you for a wonderful year! Have a great summer!

## Mrs. Gibson



## Social Work News from Mrs. Porter



### School Supplies

We are currently putting together a list of families who need assistance with purchasing school supplies for the 2022-2023 school year. Please contact Mrs. Porter at <a href="mailto:cporter@nlsd122.org">cporter@nlsd122.org</a> by May 16th if you would like more information.



## **Library News**

The *Summer Slide* is not a fun activity at the park. It is the academic loss children go through during the summer.



### Avoid the Summer Slide by:

- Read for a short time daily. Stock up on books during our 1-day Book Fair!
- Participate in the New Lenox Public Library programs including the *Summer Learning Challenge*.
- Practice skills by having the children help you cook and read menus.
- Play games where the children have to add or subtract points.

Ms. Vanderwall





## INSPIRATION FROM THE ART ROOM

# Please join us...

# 1st Grade Art Show!

Island Influence & Ice Cream

Wednesday May 11, 2022 Spencer Pointe Cafeteria 5:00 - 6:00 pm

- Student Artwork
  - How to draw...
- Make and Take project
  - Ice Cream Photo Op
    - Coloring Banner





2nd Grade Art Show! Asian Influence & Ice Cream

> Thursday May 12, 2022 Spencer Pointe Cafeteria 5:00 - 6:00 pm

- Student Artwork
  - How to draw...
- Make and Take project
  - Ice Cream Photo Op
    - Coloring Banner







I hope to see you there!! Mrs. Nolan

# Introducing our April Students of the Month...



Lucas M	Audrey B	Hugh H
Myla B	Owen G	Gabriella P
Kaiden P	Thomas $M$	Rick Z
Patricia T	Lucas L	Payton D
Lucas T	Keagan B	Adriana O
Gianna L	Aubrey A	Ben R
Caleb J	Daniel C	Phoebe A
Nadia G	Max C	Weston W
Harper W	Danijela V	Adeline F
Kelsie D	<b>Arthur P</b>	Tommy P
Daniel H		

# Cops Care Food Drive



Congratulations to Mrs.O'Malley's 2nd grade class. Her class donated <u>584</u> food items to the Cops Care Food Drive. Second & third place winners were Mrs. Van Dyke and Miss Hennessy's classes.

Thank you to everyone who participated!

# HAPPYBURTHDAY

May

Paeyton G Mikayla T Lucas M Saen B

Christian W Aidan K

Connor L Kalliope T

Chase E

Emma K Logan B

Cameron G

Ethan K Olivia L

Mason A Bryce S

Sawyer B Rylan H

Nader A

Gianluca 0

Lian S Cayden P Henry R

Nicholas W

Avery C

Mason D Francesca N

Sydney G

Genevieve W

Ryan K Ethan K

Karla K

Charlotte S Isabella R

Kelsie D

Tyler M

Zoey D

Avery K Francesca H

Drew D

<u>June</u>

Danijela V Robert V

Maci T

Gianni H Emma K

Grace M Ella J

**Emerson G** 

Daniel H Ava G

Kelsey S

Tyler P

Marko V Daelyn I

Brayden'R Layla C

Josephine E

Luke S Taylor K

Christian K Nicholas D

Mason W Althaea M

Audrey W Collin F

Alexander D

Roman S Gwenevere P

McKenna M

Lucas L Ava S

Monica C

Owen J Reese D

Layth H

Lexy L

July

Elena B

Ryan Z Aria C

Jake G

Bailey L

Aubrey W Gianna R

Damion G

Cody M Isabella P

Jayce J

Benjamin R

Leo L Elizabeth C

Adelyn N

Toula R Adeline F

Colette W

Alden L

Ashlyn H Madelyn S

Leia W

Cora K Iohn M

Kenzie C

Adriana O Aubrey K

Violet R

Arthur P

Alysa C Trent F

Elsa C

Brendan C

Lois 💯 Mackenzie A

Madison A Annabelle G

> Beau G Sophia H

Alexia V

Tucker R

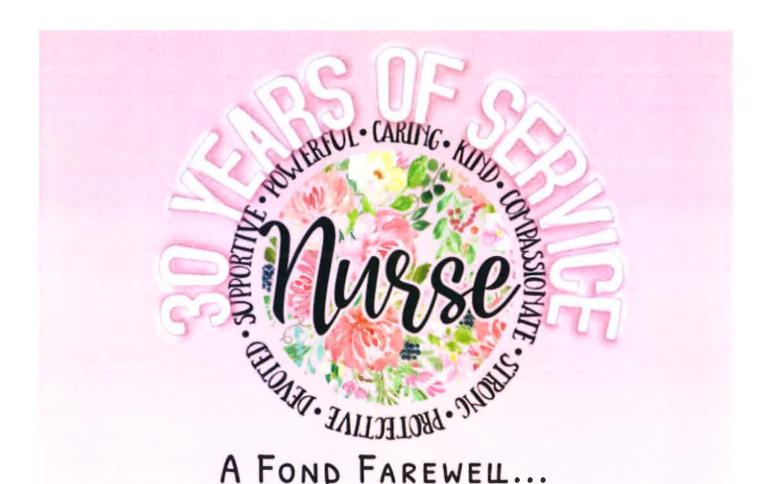
Jacob O

Rick Z Dylan B

Hudson R

Fares S

Adam A Ryan H



After 30 years at New Lenox School District, it is time for me to retire! It has been a fascinating journey with many changes and challenges along the way. Covid really gave all of us a run for our money, that's for sure! I have learned so much in this position. It has been a joy to work with New Lenox families over the years. I am now actually taking care of the children of students I had years ago! That's when you know you have been here a long time. I will miss the wonderful staff, students, and families of District #122. My husband and I plan to travel and see the USA! Everyone stay safe and stay well!

Mrs. Maggio

#### NLSD 122 MAY PTO CORNER

- \*5k walk/run for mental health and wellness registration is \$30 for 12 and under and \$40 for 13 and up. The event will be held on Saturday, May 21st. Registrants 12 and under receive a t-shirt, bib and timing chip with their registration. 13 and up receive a t-shirt, bag, bib and timing chip. There will be a wellness fair (10 a.m.-1p.m.) as well with local businesses that promote mental, physical and over all wellness and self-care. Free sample classes will be available, food trucks, etc. Volunteers needed. Sponsorships are available for businesses that contribute to mental, physical, and nutritional health as well as self-care
- \*Graduate yard signs Email went out to the 8th grade families to order a customized yard sign for their graduates. Orders are done online through Burns photography.
- \*Staff appreciation week is first week of May. Thank you to all those that contributed!
- \*Slammers game Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:35pm \$10 a ticket. It is Fireworks game and princess night!
- \*Calendar cover contest NLSD families the time has arrived for the PTO to begin preparation for the 2022-2023 calendar. The theme this is year is, "what does volunteerism mean to you"? We will hold our annual contest for the calendar covers. Please have your child submit their drawings to their school's front office and the office will send the drawing to our PTO mailbox. Over the summer we will hold a contest, via our PTO's Facebook. The top 4 winners will land the external and internal convers. Deadline is May 18<sup>th</sup>.
- \*DIY project has been sent out.
- \*\*Next PTO meeting is May 19th @ 9:30 a.m. at Nelson Ridge

