

Dear Lake Garda Families,

Week two was a success! Your children have adjusted well to the new routines that we have instituted. They are all doing a great job wearing their masks and keeping appropriately distanced. We look forward to having both cohorts in school together beginning tomorrow. We anticipate that there will be another small learning curve for everyone as the number of students in school each day increases, but we know that we are ready!

Open House is traditionally held toward the end of September. We regret that we won't be able to host families in person this year but our staff is working on video open house presentations. We will be sharing them with you during the week of September 21st.

In the event of a COVID-19 case within the school, the community will be notified. The level of information shared will be more specific with those who are closest to the case and less specific for those further away from the case. The absence of notification means there has not been a case.

Thank you so much to the LGS PTA who visited Lake Garda last weekend and painted amazing stencil activities on our grades 2-4 play area! The kids are absolutely loving these new games. If you are the parent of a younger student...don't worry! That play area will be stenciled at some point too!

Enjoy the rest of the weekend!

Stefanie

CALENDAR:

- Monday, September 14th
 - First day that all K – 4 students attend
 - Region 10 Board of Education
 - Meeting, (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87306778807>)
- Wednesday, September 16th – 1:00 Dismissal for Staff Professional Development
 - AM preschool will dismiss at 10:35, PM preschool will attend 11:30 – 1:00
 - K-4 students will have lunch at school

UPDATES:

EMERGENCY DRILLS: At LGS, we practice emergency drills regularly with the students and staff. The intent of these drills is to ensure that the students and staff know how to respond in the

event of an actual emergency, identify further refinements that we can make to our plans and procedures, and for staff and students to practice and experience what is expected of them during an emergency. This week students learned about and practiced what happens during a fire drill. Classes did this as a “walk-through” so that students wouldn’t be frightened, and would understand the purpose of the drill and learn the procedures while maintaining appropriate distance. As expected, everyone did a wonderful job! We will continue to practice safety drills throughout the year.

REPORTING STUDENT ABSENCES: If your child is ill and won’t be attending school (this includes students that are attending school remotely), please call our school nurse, Jenn Burgos, to report their absence and the reason for the absence. Her number is 860-673-2511, X14206. Please remember to screen your child before school each day for the symptoms below. If you child has any of them, please keep them at home.

- Fever of 100.4 or higher
- Chills
- A new uncontrolled cough
- Shortness of breath
- Difficulty breathing
- Sudden loss of sense of taste or smell

PRE-ORDERING LUNCH: Parents whose children are purchasing a school lunch should be pre-ordering lunches online. There have been some questions about how to do this. Please read below for clarification.

You can download the Nutrislice app on your phone and use the app to place your child’s order. Or you can go to the Region 10 website, click on *Parents*, then click on *Nutrition Services* and *Get Your School’s Menu*. In the top right corner of the screen click on the 3 lines. Go to log in, then create an account. Pick the type of user, click next. Complete *Student Information*.

Homeroom teacher is mandatory for elementary and intermediate students. Complete *About Yourself* and then create a password.

You will then pick your child’s school, click on *Breakfast or Lunch*. Choose the item you would like to order and add to cart. It is possible to order breakfast and lunch for the same day although it is necessary to check out after each day. Click on your cart and then checkout. Choose either breakfast or lunch and choose your meal location. Submit Order.

If you have additional questions, please contact Keri Lam, the LGS Cafeteria Manager at 860-673-2511, X14101

HELP LGS: Register your grocery store rewards cards to earn points & money for Lake Garda School. Some of the stores require you to update your preference every year, so please take a minute to register/update your cards.

- **Stop & Shop:** <https://stopandshop.com/pages/a-plus-rewards>

- **Shop Rite:** <http://www.shopriteforeducation.com/index.php>
- **Box Tops:** <https://www.boxtops4education.com> (download the app!)

TECH INFO: The Region 10 Tech Department has put together a number of resources for parents. Please take a few minutes to check them out! <http://www.region10ct.org/technology>

FLYERS:

Spanish letter for 3rd and 4th grade