

# Knightly News

**Lisbon Central School**  
**6866 County Route 10**  
**Lisbon, NY 13658**

**February 2014**

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## From the Superintendent

BRRR...this winter has been one of the coldest we've experienced in a long time. I'm happy to write this letter for the February newsletter, as that means that January is coming to an end. In a few days we will know if the groundhog sees his shadow. Let's hope for a cloudy day so he doesn't and spring will be just around the corner, bringing with it green grass and warmer temperatures!

Spring also brings registration for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes for the 2014-2015 school year. Governor Andrew Cuomo's proposed budget includes a plan to fully fund pre-kindergarten across the state. Regardless of whether his budget passes, we are pleased to offer a pre-kindergarten program at Lisbon Central. Students that participate in this program will get a high quality pre-school experience that meets the NYS Learning Standards and helps to prepare them for future school success by developing strong foundational skills in early literacy and numeracy. **Children who turn 4 years old on or before December 1<sup>st</sup> are eligible for pre-kindergarten.** Transportation to and from school will be provided for children that are 4 years old. Parents will need to make transportation arrangements for their child if they are 3 years old until their 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. We currently run a morning session and an afternoon session: 8:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Breakfast is served to the a.m. group and lunch is served to the p.m. group.

**Children who turn 5 years old on or before December 1<sup>st</sup> are eligible to enter kindergarten.** Students currently enrolled in our pre-kindergarten program are automatically enrolled in kindergarten. Screening is done by Mrs. Thompson throughout the school year. Those not

already enrolled will need to be registered and screened by the kindergarten teachers. This screening usually takes place in May.

If you have a child, or know of someone who has a child, that falls into these age categories, or if you have any questions, please contact Sue Houmiel at 393-4951 x1101 or [houmiels@lisbon.k12.ny.us](mailto:houmiels@lisbon.k12.ny.us).

The 100 Mile Club is presenting a Winter Run/Walk fun night on February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Everyone who attended the event in December had a great time. Students in grades K-4 had a great time running or walking in the hallways and older students enjoyed cheering them on and counting laps. It is a fun activity that encourages kids and families to be active and healthy during the winter season.

Mid-winter recess is February 15-23. Although winter seems cold and long, time spent with your children goes quickly. I hope you take this opportunity to enjoy some fun activities with family and friends.

Happy Valentine's Day!

*Erin E. Woods*

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 Superintendent of Schools



# Guidance Office News

*Mrs. Putman*

## **Now that it's tax time, don't forget to complete financial aid paperwork, too!**

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is available online now. To be eligible for any type of financial aid, including student loans, the FAFSA must be filled out using the 2013 tax year information for the student and the parents. The FAFSA is available online at: [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)

The FAFSA online is a quicker way to send in the forms and helps to flag problem answers as they are entered on the computer. The FAFSA is a free form and should not cost any money to file – be aware that other websites exist that have you fill out the FAFSA with them and pay a processing fee. IT SHOULD BE FREE!

Remember that many colleges have financial aid deadlines or priority dates by which they would like you to submit your FAFSA (some are as early as February 1, February 15, or March 1). Adhering to these deadlines may result in more financial aid awarded to the student.

For information specific to federal student loans, the following website includes all of the details: [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov)

To find information about NY state grants and scholarship programs, access the following website: [www.hesc.ny.gov](http://www.hesc.ny.gov) At the Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC) site, you will find NYS TAP grant estimators and financial aid calculators.

## **How safe is the college campus you want to attend?**

This is an important question, particularly for students attending college away from home. There is a government website that gives safety reports of 6,000 U.S. colleges and universities. Look up your college of choice at: <http://ope.ed.gov/security/>

## **SATs, ACTs, and all that jazz...**

Most four-year colleges require the results of the SAT or ACT standardized tests for admission decisions. The tests are sometimes required to compete for particular scholarships as well. The tests are generally taken by juniors in the spring of the junior year or seniors in the fall of the senior year. Both tests can be taken multiple times if a student wishes and are given several times per year at OFA or Canton HS on Saturdays. Students must register several weeks in advance.

The SAT will be offered on March 8, May 3, and June 7 this spring, but the registration is due more than a month before the test dates, so keep an eye on the due dates! The SAT includes critical reading, math, and writing sections, and the cost of the SAT is now \$51.00. Sample tests and questions are available at the website at: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

The ACT also offers an optional writing test, but students may still choose to take the traditional ACT with reading, English, math, and science sections, or can take the four sections plus writing. The ACT will be offered on April 12 and June 14, but registrations must be postmarked more than a month before that; watch those dates! The ACT assessment costs \$36.50 this year, and the ACT assessment plus writing costs \$52.50. If you need further information about the ACT, please refer to the website: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

Both the SAT and ACT have fee-waiver programs for qualified students; for example, many students receiving free or reduced-priced meals will qualify for a waiver to cover the cost of the SAT or ACT. Please see Mrs. Putman for more details.

## **Last minute college applications?**

If your senior has not completed college applications yet, it may not be too late. Many schools will continue to accept applications through the spring as space permits; however, be aware that particular majors may be filling up as well. He/she may be accepted to a particular college,

but not into the major of choice if slots are filled already. If your student wishes to apply and hasn't begun the process, push them to come see Mrs. Putman immediately to begin the process.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS ~ SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarship applications continue to arrive in the guidance office. Each senior has a labeled mailbox in the guidance office in which copies of scholarship applications are placed as they arrive. Students need only to come in and periodically check their mailbox to pick up new applications. However, keep up with them and don't let the deadlines pass you by!

There are many ways to search for scholarships but beware of scholarship scams! Whether you receive something in the mail or via the Internet, note that if something seems too good to be true, it may be. Check it out further before getting involved in a program of which you are unsure. Also, be aware that you should never have to pay for a scholarship application – any processing fee or required payment is wrong! If you are interested in searching for more scholarship ideas, check out these websites:

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)  
[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)  
[www.srnexpress.com](http://www.srnexpress.com)  
[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)  
[www.nationalmerit.org](http://www.nationalmerit.org)  
[www.wiredscholar.com](http://www.wiredscholar.com)  
[www.collegeview.com](http://www.collegeview.com)  
[www.xap.com](http://www.xap.com)

## **PSAT/NMSQT & College Quick Start**

My College QuickStart is an easy-to-use, online, personalized college and career planning kit available free of charge to all students who take the PSAT/NMSQT. The information and answers your child provided when they took the test are incorporated into this useful tool, and it presents their data back to them in four main parts:

- My Online Score Report- an enhanced score report that allows students to review each test question, the student's answer,

# Board of Education Meeting Summary

The Board of Education met on January 9, 2014. A summary of the meeting is as follows:

## BUSINESS:

- Review of the instructional portion of the proposed 2014-2015 Budget
- A Change to the date of the February Meeting – The meeting date was changed from February 13<sup>th</sup> to February 6<sup>th</sup>
- Approval of the 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Municipal Cooperative Agreement for the Health Insurance

## PERSONNEL

- Acceptance of a letter of resignation from Toni Epprecht as 7/8 Spanish Teacher

## FINANCIAL

- Review and approval of financial documentation for December 2013

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- Athletic Report
- Buildings and Grounds Report
- Upcoming Events

The next Board of Education Meeting will be held on February 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room.



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and the correct answer with answer explanations.

- My SAT Study Plan- a customized SAT study plan based on student PSAT/NMSQT test performance, highlighting skills for review and practice.
- My College Matches- A starter list of colleges based on the student's state and indicated choice of major.
- My Major and Career Matches- Major and career matches that are compatible with the student's general interests and personality type.

Access is available using the access code printed on the student's paper score report, and the tool can be utilized throughout high school. Using My College QuickStart together with your child is a great way to introduce and guide your child through important aspects of the college-going process. Visit [www.collegeboard.com/quickstart](http://www.collegeboard.com/quickstart).

## Sophomores are making MAJOR educational decisions for next year. Do you know what your sophomore has decided?

The 10<sup>th</sup> grade students visited Northwest Technical Center (our local vocational-technical training center) in January to view two programs of interest to each student. Sophomores are being asked to make major decisions about their high school education plans and future career plans; please talk with your child about these options if you are the parent of a sophomore.

Northwest Tech offers a number of outstanding hands-on educational opportunities to our students, and every program offered now includes options to earn college credit, as well. Students attending Northwest Tech for half-day as a junior and senior will attend Lisbon the other half-day to take the required English, social studies and PE classes. Current program offerings include:

Automotive Technology  
Building Trades

Cosmetology  
Criminal Justice  
Culinary Arts  
Early Childhood Education  
Electronics  
Environmental Technology  
Graphic Communications  
Intro to Health Careers  
Precision Metalworking (welding)  
Allied Health (seniors only)  
Pharmacy Tech (one year program)

If you have any questions about the offerings, please contact us at the LCS Guidance Office or call Northwest Tech at 393-4570 to schedule a parent visit if you would like.

## Guidance Direct

Lisbon Central School has a guidance software program which allows students to create an account and do college and occupational searches, scholarship searches, interest inventories, resume preparation, etc. The program is Guidance Direct. Any student is welcome to sign on using the information below. We encourage students to access the program in study hall from student computers and from home via the Internet, and some teachers may use the program with an entire class. Once a student creates an account, Mrs. Putman can see any saved searches or data they have completed so that we can use it with them on future plans. Students and parents are welcome to use Guidance Direct throughout the summer from any computer with Internet access.

To sign on, the students can go to: [www.guidancedirect.com](http://www.guidancedirect.com) or can link to it from the LCS website.

School ID: 2339829  
School Password: L30L5123

If you are a new user, CREATE NEW ACCOUNT and click login.

If you are an existing user, enter your USER NAME and PASSWORD, and click login.



## **Frogs Assembly – January (Dec. points)**

### **New Members**

Alyssa Mills  
Riley Burwell  
Nicholas Kerr  
Averee Bouchey  
Abbaghail Compo  
Justin Dean  
Ty Jacobs  
Mason Ziemba  
Leah Warren  
Aaron Morrow  
Gabrielle Taylor  
Mathew Dean  
Benjamin LaRock  
David Pirie  
Christina Bice  
Kamdyn Johnson  
Guy Moore  
Noah Martin  
Griffin Walker  
Megan Perry  
Luc LaFlair  
Sara Denny  
Cassidy Hargrave  
Joshua Morrow  
Mrs. Hooper  
Mrs. Roddy

### **Super Kids: 25 pts**

Allison Bell  
Brielle Ashley  
Silas Estes

Rowen McCarthy  
Tanner Fonda  
Cooper Rutherford

### **Star Readers: 50 pts**

Esther McKeever  
Connor Claxton  
Connor Bell  
Rylie Flack  
Rowan Rishe  
Liam McCarthy  
Justin Adams  
Ivey Davison  
Karter Jordan  
Alexa McKee  
Elizabeth Mitchell  
Kallie Wood  
Hailee Farrand  
Kristian Perry  
Nathan Spooner  
Miss Duprey  
Mrs. Feldt

### **Star Readers: 75 pts**

Connor Flack  
Krysten Dean  
Karter Jordan  
Harrison Wert  
Alford Lawton  
Cameron Shippee  
Miss Duprey

### **Star Readers: 100 pts**

Connor Flack  
Julia Rishe  
Riley Baxter  
Pyperanne Bender  
Gabrielle Kroeger  
Abbagail Flack  
Ian Kennedy  
Miss Livingston  
Mrs. Wert

### **Star Readers: 150 pts**

Gabrielle Kroeger

### **Star Readers: 200 pts**

Vanessa Dawson  
Michael Bolesh  
Mr. Doyle  
Mrs. Rabideau

### **Star Readers: 250 pts**

Vanessa Dawson  
Amanda Walker

### **Star Readers: 400 pts**

Jacob Skeels

### **Total # of Books Read**

8,038 books

## **100 MILE CLUB NEWS**


THE NEXT FAMILY FUN RUN IS FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> AT 6:00 P.M.  
ANY K-4 LCS STUDENT WHO ATTENDS WILL BE ENTERED  
INTO A DRAWING FOR A BRAND NEW IPOD!!!!

THE DRAWING WILL TAKE PLACE AT 7 PM!

COME OUT AND JOIN IN THE FUN!



# February 2014 Menu

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
BREAKFAST	Breakfast pizza with sausage & egg	Ham, Egg, & cheese on a muffin	Waffles w/ ham	Cinnamon Roll	Bagel Pizza	
2	3 <i>Day 1</i> Tacos w/ lettuce, tomato, & cheese; refried beans and corn	4 <i>Day 2</i> Ham or Turkey sub w/ tomato soup & celery sticks	5 <i>Day 3</i> Popcorn chicken w/ sweet potato fries	6 <i>Day 4</i> Hot beef over mash potatoes or rice; roasted cauliflower and bread w/ butter	7 <i>Day 5</i> Pizza wrap w/ garden tossed salad	8
9	10 <i>Day 6</i> Corn dog w/ baked beans & pickles	11 <i>Day 1</i> Bosco sticks w/ Caesar salad	12 <i>Day 2</i> Oven fried chicken w/ mash potatoes & carrots	13 <i>Day 3</i> Homemade macaroni & cheese w/ coleslaw	14 <i>Day 4</i> Homemade pizza w/ pasta salad 	15
16	17 No School	18 No School	19 No School	20 No School	21 No School	22
23	24 <i>Day 5</i> Hot Beef n cheese croissant w/ black bean salad & pretzel sticks	25 <i>Day 6</i> Pulled pork w/ tater tots & pickled beets	26 <i>Day 1</i> General Tso chicken w/ rice and oriental veggies	27 <i>Day 2</i> Baked goulash w/ green beans	28 <i>Day 3</i> Cheese sticks w/ spinach salad	

**Alternate Lunch Menu UPK—5:** Monday – Pizza; Turkey or Ham Subs; PBJ; or Chef Salad  
 Wednesday—Chicken Caesar or Chef salad; 1/2 PBJ w/ Fruited Yogurt; or Lisbon Lunchable  
 Tuesday/Thursday – Chicken Burger; Turkey or Ham Sub; PBJ; or Chef Salad  
 Friday only: Grilled cheese

**Alternate Lunch Menu 6—12:** Monday/Wednesday—Pizza; Turkey or Ham Sub; PBJ; or Chef Salad  
 Tuesday/Thursday—Chicken burger ; Turkey or Ham Sub; PBJ; or Chef Salads  
 Friday only: Grilled cheese

**Breakfast Choices Daily** – Assorted Cold Cereal; Hot Oatmeal; Bagel w/ cream cheese  
 English Muffin w/Peanut Butter; Yogurt Parfait's ;Pop tarts or Fruit Smoothies

Assorted juices; fresh fruit; fruit cup; fat free flavored milk; and fat free or 1% white milk offered Daily

Our new Lisbon Lunchable: 1 oz. mozzarella sticks, 1 oz. Pepperoni, 1/2 Cup apple sauce and pretzels

# February 2014 Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1  <i>Winter Ball</i> 7:30-10:30 p.m.
2	3 <i>Family Fun Run</i> 6:00-7:00 p.m.	4	5 <i>College 101-SLU</i> (Juniors)	6 <i>Board of Education Meeting</i> 7:00 p.m.	7 <i>FROGS/PBIS/FIM Assembly</i> 2:00 p.m.	8 <i>Lights on the River Volleyball Tournament</i>
9	10 <i>FROGS Reading Night</i> 6:00-7:00 p.m.	11	12	13	14 <i>9<sup>th</sup> Grade Bake Sale</i>	15
16	17 <i>Mid-Winter Recess</i>	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 <i>Read Across America Day</i>	





# Lisbon Central School Birthday Club

## Celebrate your child's birthday in a special way this year.



With a donation of one of the following amounts your son/daughter will receive a special treat on their birthday.

- ✓ **NEW!!** For \$2.00 your child will receive a special greeting and their name in lights on the LCS marquee.
- ✓ For \$3.00 your child will receive a special greeting and a balloon.  
(add \$1.00 for name on the marquee)
- ✓ For \$5.00 your child will receive a special greeting, a balloon and a small goodie.  
(add \$1.00 for name on the marquee)

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*Please Complete and Return at Least One Week Prior to Child's Birthday*

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Homeroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

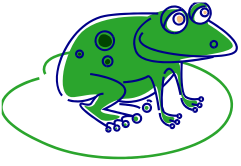
Greeting to be Included: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cash or Check (made payable to Lisbon Central School)

The Birthday Club is a fundraiser for Miss Leakey's class at Lisbon Central.

# ***FROGS / Library NEWS!!!***



## **New FROGS Challenges!!**

***Smarties Award*** – The homeroom with the most letters sent home will get Smarties and the Croaking Frog to keep in their classroom!!!

***Make Your Own Ice Cream Sundae Party*** –  
Get invited!!! Become a FROGS member by March 31<sup>st</sup>!!!



## **Mark Your Calendars**

### **FROGS Reading Nights**

February 10, 6-7 p.m.

March 24, 6-7 p.m.

### **Read Across America Day**

Friday, February 28

### **Book Fair!!**

March 24 – 27, 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Will also be open during the FROGS Reading Night and afternoon & evening parent/teacher conferences on Thursday!!



# Lion's Club – River Shiver



## Polar Bear 5K Run – Walk Registration Form

February 15, 2014  
Ogdensburg Community Center  
Race starts at 10:00 AM

Pre-register by 2/8/14 to guarantee your long-sleeve Tee

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ or F \_\_\_\_\_ Runner \_\_\_\_\_ Walker \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: (required) \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ 2X \_\_\_\_\_ (unisex size)

Pre-registration is \$15.00 and must be received no later than 2/8/14. Late entries received after 2/8/14 and Race Day entries are \$18.00. Please mail completed form along with entry fee to Lion's Club Polar Bear Run – Walk, PO Box 252, Ogdensburg, NY 13669 or bring to the Medicine Place at 511 State Street, Ogdensburg. Please, make checks payable to Lion's Club Polar Bear Run/ Walk. Send questions to [roethel@twcny.rr.com](mailto:roethel@twcny.rr.com).

Race day registration begins at 9:00AM at the Dobisky Center on Riverside Avenue. Long-sleeve tees will be given to late and race day entrants as available. All participants under 18 years of age must have the consent of a parent or guardian by signing this form below. Registration and entry fee must be received before racer can participate in the event. Once form and fee are received, the participant will receive a confirmation e-mail.

The Lion's Club and its members, the Ogdensburg Chamber of Commerce and its employees, and the City of Ogdensburg and its employees will not be held responsible for injuries sustained by individuals participating in this event that are caused by the participant's own actions or negligence or the actions or negligence of a third party other than those named above.

Participants signature

Dated

Parent/Guardian signature

Dated

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

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## ADMINISTRATION

Erin E. Woods, Superintendent of School/Elementary Principal  
Eric Burke, Secondary/Middle School Principal  
Wendy White, Business Manager  
Staci Vaughn, CSE/CPSE Chairperson/School Psychologist

The Board of Education meets on the second Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room, unless otherwise posted. The Board reserves the fourth Thursday of every month as an optional meeting date.

Thursday, September 12, 2013

Thursday, October 10, 2013

Thursday, November 14, 2013

Thursday, December 12, 2013

Thursday, January 9, 2014

Thursday, February 13, 2014

Thursday, March 13, 2014

Monday, April 28, 2014 – Vote for BOCES Board Member &  
Administrative Budget

Thursday, May 8, 2014 – Budget Hearing and Board Meeting

Thursday, June 12, 2014

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