

Dear Lee Eaton Families,

Judging by the weather, summer is beginning to fizzle and fall is upon us. Fall is a wonderful time of the year, full of events, community celebrations and spectacular colors. Don't forget that the fall also can bring extremes in weather, from hot to cold as well as rain and wind. Please dress student's wisely during this time and remember that we will try to enjoy as much time outside as possible in both PE classes and recess.

Over the next few weeks, there are several important events happening at Lee Eaton, so if you know anyone who has not received our Lee Eaton "all call" or is not receiving this newsletter, please let us know. Most of the contact information we get from parents comes to us via the online forms you have filled out for this school year. If you have not completed these forms, or have filled them out incorrectly, we will be contacting you in the next week to remedy these issues. It is not only important that we get this information as soon as possible for emergency contact information, but also for reminders and updates from the staff and front office. If you have yet to fill out online form, please go to: <https://www.nordoniaschools.org/ParentPortal/PortalLogin.aspx>

In the past two weeks, students at Lee Eaton commemorated both Patriot Day, in remembrance of 9/11, and Constitution Day. Our social studies teachers spent time in the classroom devoted to lessons, activities, and conversations that encouraged our students to consider the actions of brave and courageous people. Students wrote letters to local police and fire personnel, and Lee Eaton even received a thank you letter from Chief Wentz from the Village of Northfield. Although many of our students are too young to remember 9/11, Chief Wentz wrote "the openness and sincerity of their words is a testimonial to them, their parents, and the school." We are very proud of our students and their efforts! If you would like more information on Patriot or Constitution Day, please go to:

<http://www.constitutionday.com/>

<http://www.history.com/9-11-anniversary>

Also, the PTA met on September 6th to discuss our goals for the year and to begin looking at new ways to generate support here at Lee Eaton. The PTA website is a great place to go to find out about events, membership and general school information, including levy support specifics. Please consider making a donation of time or money to our PTA this year. The programs they support at school truly help drive home a sense of community. We are still in need of chair people for various committees! Visit the PTA site for forms and important dates:

<http://www.teacherweb.com/OH/LeeEaton/LeeEatonPTA/apt4.aspx>

Also, please come out and support our PTA "fun" raising event at Rosati's Frozen Custard this Thursday October 6th from 6:30-8:30PM. The last event was well attended and remember, 20% of sales go directly back to Lee Eaton. You must present the flyer at the time of the purchase, distribution of the flyer on the property is prohibited. Here is the flyer, hope to see you there!

<http://www.teacherweb.com/OH/LeeEaton/LeeEatonPTA/Rosatis-10-11.pdf>

This Wednesday marks our annual Magazine Sale final turn in. The students have worked hard this year and we should have an idea of how well sales returned in the next week or so. Remember, 40% of all sales made through QSP come back to Lee Eaton. The monies we receive from this event go toward activities/assemblies, event planning, and equipment/classroom materials for students.

http://www.nordoniaschools.org/leeeatonelementary_home.aspx

On Wednesday September 28th , a training event for [Ambassadors for Learning](#) was held at 6:30PM in the Lee Eaton Cafeteria. Quite a few parents signed up to volunteer and help our students with Math and Reading. Even if you missed the training, you still can sign up and get involved. Check out the Lee Eaton homepage for more information. We look forward to seeing you here at school!!

Another group that is emerging at Lee Eaton is the Student Leadership Team. This team will replace student council as the student governing body for Lee Eaton. Just as past service with student council, this group of students will be working on community outreach, event planning, and charity work as their main focus. Participation in this group involves a commitment to 1 meeting the second Tuesday of each month, as well as other opportunities outside of the school day. Parent transportation is a must. Additionally, students will need to get 2 recommendations from LE staff members promoting their presence as a leader within the school. The application deadline for participation is this Friday, October 7th. Forms for participation, as well as information about the 6 Pillars of Character (used by staff in recommending students) can be found on the Lee Eaton website under student resources or here:

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Finally, I was able to attend a levy kickoff meeting on September 21st featuring a presentation by independent auditor Lowell Davis. He spent some time speaking to an audience of about 200 people about the bleak future of finances in Nordononia given the 5 year financial forecast and his analysis of NHCS D operation revenues and expenditures. Mr. Davis' speech was frank and detailed a heavy list of further reductions that may impact the district, including possible takeover by the state in "receivership." Whether you support the levy or not, the content of his talk voiced immediate and long lasting impacts on the district, and the communities that we represent. For more information, please read: <http://www.the-news-leader.com/news/article/5101690>

Thanks for all of your hard work and efforts to get this school year started! Thanks for a wonderful end to our September and we are looking forward to our turn into fall this October☺

Sincerely,

Josh Hayes

Coming Attractions

October Events

- 5 Magazine Final Turn in
Levy Volunteer Meeting-NHS 7pm
- 6 Staff Meeting 2:30-3:30 Library
PTA Event at Rosati's 6:30-8:30
- 13 PTA Meeting 6:30pm Cafeteria
- 14 NOOEA Day-No school
- 17 District Inservice Day-No school for students
BOE Meeting 7PM