

Hello LNES Families!

We'd like to welcome you all back to what is shaping up to be an exciting and busy school year. Hopefully with a month of school behind us we have all survived and are back in the school routine! We would also like to welcome all of the new families to LNES! We are so excited to have you at Lower Nazareth!

Thank you to everyone that came to our Back to School Night at Rita's. What a great night it was to enjoy a refreshing treat while spending time with other LNES families. Newburg enjoyed seeing all of his friends. The money we raised that night goes towards field trips, assemblies and classroom supplies.

It was wonderful to see so many new faces at the PTA Open House at the beginning of September. We hope you found the evening to be very informative. There are so many ways you can volunteer with the PTA. We're excited to work with all of you on the many activities our PTA brings to LNES every year. Our **next PTA meeting** will be held on **Thursday**, **October 11**th **at 7pm**. We hope to see you there!

There are a lot of great things planned for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year. We are starting the year with our Fall Fundraising Fitness Walk event at LNES on **Thursday**, **October 4**th (rain date: Fri. October 5th). The kids enjoy a fun morning of exercise, music and school spirit all while helping to raise funds for class trips, assemblies and classroom technology. Newburg will be there along with Nazareth High School cheerleaders and football players to cheer the kids on! Parents are invited to come and cheer on your child and their classmates. Kindergarten and 1st start at 9am and 2nd and 3rd start at 10am. Hope to see you on the playground.

Other upcoming events include Fire Prevention Week, (week of Oct. 10th) and our Halloween costume parade and classroom party (**Friday October 26**th).

October also means Activity Nights! Grade specific activity nights are: **Third Grade: Friday October 19**th, **Second Grade: Friday October 26**th, **First Grade: Friday November 2**nd, **Kindergarten: Friday November 9**th. These are excellent opportunities for your child to get to know the other children in their grades and a fun evening for parents to volunteer. More information will be coming home soon!

Your PTA has been working hard to make this school year another amazing and memorable year. We are looking forward to working with all of you! If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Tracey Reilly, LNES PTA President 2018-2019 TraceySReilly@gmail.com

BOOK FAIR



I want to thank all the volunteers who gave their time to help with the Back To School Book Fair. I was so amazed how fast the volunteer time slots filled up. Wow! The fair

wouldn't had run so smooth without each and every one of you!! The sales total was much higher this year compared to last year. I owe a big thank you to all the parents who shopped at the Open House and who allowed the kids to shop with their class. The school will get a percentage back to offset the costs of activities that is supplied to the students. I greatly appreciate all your support for the children, the school, and the Scholastic book fair. I hope everyone is enjoying their new books. There will be two more book fairs this school year to help build the children's home and school libraries. The next one is the Holiday Book Fair that is scheduled for December 4-6, 2018. The last one is in April and it will be a Buy One Get One Free Book Fair.

This is my last year at LNES and the book fair will need a new chairperson next year. I've had 7 successful fairs so far and I can offer my knowledge this year to leave you a better understanding for next year. Please contact me if you would be interested in shadowing me this year or if you have any questions. Thank you!

Crystal Skutches, Committee Chair suncrystal@rcn.com

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteering is one of the best ways a parent can help support our students, faculty and staff. We are busy finalizing our volunteer lists. If you didn't get your volunteer form turned in yet there is still time! We'd like to thank all of the parents who have signed up to volunteer and those who have been helping out during lunch and in the art room! If you are interested in volunteering please make sure your clearances are on file with the district office. There will be plenty of opportunities for you to get involved this year, so please consider donating some of your time. If you have any questions please email me at LNESVolunteer@gmail.com

Tracey Reilly, Volunteer Committee Chair

MEMORY BOOK

In just the first month of school we have already started capturing memories for our 2018-2019 memorybook. Thank you to the parents who sent in first day of school pictures! If you are at an LNES event and you take pictures we'd love to have them for the memorybook. Please send any pictures to LNESMemorybook@gmail.com

Tracey Reilly, Committee Chair

ARTS IN EDUCATION

Who do you admire? Tell us with your Reflections art contest entry. The theme for this year is "Heroes Around Me." You can enter in the following categories: visual art, photography, writing, dance, film, or music composition. Entries are due to the office on Friday, Oct. 26, 2018. Winners will receive awards at our awards ceremony on Friday, Apr 26, 2019. School winners advance into the regional competition for PTA participants in Northampton, Lehigh and Berks counties. Last year, we had 47 school winners, 5 regional winners and 2 state winners. This is a great opportunity to spark your child's interest in the arts! For questions contact Cathy Gordon. Cathy Gordon, Reflections Chair CLL153@hotmail.com

HOSPITALITY

The hospitality committee provides refreshments for the PTA meetings throughout the school year and PTA sponsored events. Our main events are held in May. We provide refreshments for the Memorial Day Program and coordinate Teacher Appreciation Week. If you are interested in joining this committee or donate refreshments please contact me.

Tracey Reilly, traceysreilly@gmail.com

PTA MEMBERSHIP

Together We Grow in our LNES PTA!

Hoot, Hoot!! The 2018-2019 membership drive is underway. Please consider supporting the LNES PTA by joining our schools PTA. Without all of your support the PTA would not be able to host the many events and activities the students are provided, as well as the end of year field trips. The cost is 8.00 for one membership and 15.00 for two memberships. Checks can be made out to LNES PTA. The class with the most members will receive a class party at the end of the year!! Any questions please contact the committee chair: Jennifer Novak at jnovakrdh@verizon.net

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FUNDRAISING

Welcome to the new school year! Once again, we have many wonderful activities planned for the children and fundraising is the way to make it all happen!

We are excited about our first fundraising event, our "Seventh Annual PTA Fitness Walk." It will take place on Thursday, October 4th (rain date – Friday, October 5th) during school hours. I am sure it will be just as fun and successful as it has been in the past! You can expect a visit from Newburg, our bulldog mascot. Please be as supportive as possible. If you would like to join this committee or have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Koula Kazista, Fundraising Chairperson 917/573-8675 (c) koula@kazista.com

WAWA Coupons!

Consider purchasing \$4 WAWA coupons! No expiration date, and each coupon gives \$1 back to the LNES PTA. Wawa shorti hoagies are usually \$4.59. Save money, while donating and eating dinner? Yes, please! See attached order form. Questions? Email Crystal Skutches suncrystal@rcn.com.

PARENTS-IN-ACTION HOLIDAY SHOPS



For three days in early December, our Large Group Room is transformed into a craft fair extravaganza and students are given time to shop for their loved ones with the help of PTA volunteers. The majority of the items are handmade and everything is less

than \$5.00.

If anyone is interested or knows any that is interested in crafting and would like to submit their crafts for the fair, please have them email me jayegrace@hotmail.com

Otherwise, expect fliers to start coming home in late October/November.

Jamie Rogan, Committee Chair Person jayegrace@hotmail.com

BUCK\$ for BULLDOG\$

Box Tops are due! Submit your box tops in a bag with your child's name, grade, and teachers name by October 24. Contest details will be updated soon!

If you have a Giant bonus card, and have never registered it, please go to giantfoodstores.com and register your card with LNES. The school ID is 23447. Once registered, some money will come back to LNES every time you shop!

Thank you! Any questions, please feel free to ask. Happy clipping!

Jennifer Keys, keys.jennifer@gmail.com

COMMUNICATIONS



There are many ways you can learn about upcoming school events, activities and PTA meetings - from sign in front of the school, or at www.lnespta.org, our bulletin boards and the monthly newsletter. If you wish to get involved in your child's school life,

you can find all of our committee chair contact information on our website at www.lnespta.org. We hope that you have completed **2018-2019 LNES Directory** order form – it is a great resource to have for play dates, summer parties or just to contact friends in your child class. The cost is \$5.00 per directory. Your child personal information will only be listed if you have completed the Order Form. You do not need to purchase a directory for your child's information to be published. If you do not return the form, only your child's name will be printed. With your help we can have Directory completed by early November.

All newsletters will be going out electronically! Please check your spam folder to make sure you receive all PTA Communications!

Don't forget to look for us on Facebook! Search for "LNES PTA Group" and click Join!

Katie Moretti, Committee Chair Person (mac6178@gmail.com)

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THE MONTH NOMINATION

We would like to recognize those volunteers who generously share their time and talents for the benefit of our school and its students. If you know someone who has done an outstanding job, please nominate them by completing this form, and leaving it in the PTA box in the office (you can also send it in with your child - please put it in the envelope marked "PTA Volunteer of the Month" One "Volunteer of the month" will be chosen by the PTA officers

FOR THE MONTH OF	
BECAUSE (optional)	



Shorti Fundraiser



\$4.00 per coupon

An easy lunch or dinner idea

LNES PTA is selling Wawa Shorti coupons! They are \$4.00 a coupon (which is a savings from the \$4.59 retail value). Each coupon sold will earn the PTA \$1 to support numerous school activities and technology. The coupon is good for one 6-inch shorti hoagie at any Wawa location and there is no expiration date! (There are a variety of hoagies to pick from at Wawa)

These coupons are perfect for work lunches, school field trips, sports events, high school & college kids, nannies, picnics, hikes, or a small gift to say "thank you". Perhaps you would like to stash some in the car for an emergency when cash could be low and you need a meal. It's a convenient way to grab food for the day.

Please send in the form below in an envelope marked *PTA* Wawa Shorti. If you're paying by check, make it payable to **LNES PTA**. The coupons will be sent home with your child within a few days of receiving the payment since we have the coupons on hand. (If you don't print this form, please leave a note in the envelope stating all the information below)

If there's any questions, please contact Crystal Skutches at suncrystal@rcn.com

Student's Name:		
Grade/Teacher:		
# of Hoagie Coupons	_ X \$4.00 each = \$_	
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