

# POINTS OF PRIDE

## LMS NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 11, 2018

### From the Principal's Desk

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving break. I can't believe that our winter break is already here. We certainly have experienced some cold temperatures lately. I hope you all enjoyed our snow flurries last night. Wouldn't it be nice to have a White Christmas?! ☺

Thank you to Mr. Griggs and our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade band members for getting us all in the Christmas spirit at the band concert last week. We have some talented musicians, and I am so thankful that these students share their gifts and talents with all of us.

Our dance showcase will be held on January 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the EPAC. I encourage you to come watch our students "Dance through the Decades" under the direction of Mrs. Jodie Branham. This is always an exciting performance filled with lots of energy and fun.

I am proud of all of the academic, athletic, and arts programs that we have going on here at LMS. They represent our school well, and I appreciate the students and faculty members who take time to keep these programs running. If your child is not involved in some type of activity, in or out of school, I urge you to get them involved.

As always, please feel free to contact me at [debra.morris@lattavikings.com](mailto:debra.morris@lattavikings.com) if you have any concerns or questions. I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

~Debra Morris, Principal

### Calendar of Events

December 11.....Progress Reports  
December 17.....Zaxby's Night 5:00-8:00  
December 18.....Half Day-Dismiss at 12:20  
December 19-January 1.....Christmas Break  
January 2.....Return to School  
January 10.....Dance Showcase 6:30  
January 18.....Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration at 10:00  
January 21.....Martin Luther King, Jr. Day-No School  
January 24.....Report Cards  
February 15.....Make-Up Day

### Business Partners

#### Pee Dee Skateland

4524 Hwy. 76, Marion 843-423-1802

#### Tiger Mart of Latta

102 N. Richardson St, Latta 843-752-4271

### Clemson vs. Carolina Food Drive

We want to thank each and every one of you who participated in the Clemson/Carolina Food Drive. We collected a total of 4,570 cans. (Exceeding our goal of 4,400 cans by 170 cans) Way to go!

### Our homeroom leaders were:

1. Mrs. Carmichael (1,477 cans)
2. Mrs. Martin (537 cans)
3. Mrs. Baxley (480 cans)
4. Ms. Herring (359 cans)

With a total of 2,633 cans collected for this team, the team winner of the food drive was the...

## Clemson Tigers!



### Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Graders

IGP conferences are in January and February...Appointment Sheets are due by Wednesday, December 12th. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Melton, guidance counselor. [Jenny.melton@lattavikings.com](mailto:Jenny.melton@lattavikings.com)

### Zaxby's Fundraiser Night

Please join us for our next Zaxby's Night on Monday, December 17 from 5:00-8:00 at the Dillon location. Dine in or drive thru to place your order anytime between 5 and 8, and 10% of the total sales will be donated to our school.

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Join us on the web: <http://www.dillon3.k12.sc.us/LMS/>

## Dance Showcase

The Dance Education students will present, ***Dancing through the Decades***, Thursday January 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Ellis Performing Arts Center. Each class, grades sixth through twelve were each assigned a decade starting with the Roaring Twenties to the most recent dance craze! Come and support these students as they DANCE through the DECADES! Cost to attend is \$3.00 and doors will open to the public at 6:00 pm.

## Office Reminders

- If your child is absent, please be sure to send in the doctor's excuse or a parent note.
- Tardy Bell-8:05
- If your child is late, a parent/guardian must be present to sign him/her in.
- Three tardies/early check outs constitutes one absence per our district policy.
- Please continue to follow our schedule below if you must check out your child:

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Times**  
 8:05-8:10 Core transition  
 10:40-10:45 Core transition  
 11:30-12:15 Break/Lunch  
 12:15-12:20 Core transition  
 2:10-2:15 Elective transition

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Times**  
 8:05-8:10 Core transition  
 10:45-11:30 Break/Lunch  
 11:30-11:35 Core transition  
 12:50-12:55 Elective transition  
 2:05-2:10 Core transition

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Times**  
 8:05-8:10 Core 1 transition  
 9:05-9:08 Core 2 transition  
 10:06-10:11 Elective transition  
 11:46-11:51 Core 3 transition  
 12:46-1:30 Lunch/Break  
 1:30-1:34 Core 4 transition  
 2:29-2:32 Core 5 transition

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Times**  
 8:05-8:10 Elective transition  
 9:45-9:50 Core 1 transition  
 10:45-11:30 Lunch/Break  
 11:30-11:35 Core 2 transition  
 12:30-12:34 Core 3 transition  
 1:29-1:33 Core 4 transition  
 2:28-2:32 Core 5 transition

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## Yearbooks for Sale

The 2019 Latta Middle School Yearbook is on sale NOW! To preorder your copy, **please order online at [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com)**, OR complete the order form enclosed and turn in at the school office with payment. Please make checks payable to Latta Middle School. Don't miss out-reserve your copy today! Orders must be placed by February 22, 2019.

## Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

This year, our school is hosting a Celebration of Life in honor of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 in the EPAC. This celebration is open to the public, and we invite everyone to attend. Some of our students will be performing, and we are so excited for them to show off their talents. Please make plans to attend.

## Positive Office Referrals

Alasia Nelson-being responsible

Trenitee Cooper-being her best

Mikaylah Walls-being responsible and her best

**Great job ladies and gentlemen!**  
**Thank you for going above and beyond what is expected!**

**The first 25 completed word searches returned to Mrs. Ard by the end of the day on December 12<sup>th</sup> will receive a special treat!**  
**Merry Christmas!**

## Christmas Word Search

CHRISTMAS  
 COOKIES  
 ELF  
 HOLLY  
 JOLLY

LIGHTS  
 MERRY  
 MISTLETOE  
 PRESENTS  
 REINDEER

RUDOLF  
 SANTA  
 SNOW  
 STAR  
 TREE

