

Spencer Loomis
Newsletter
November 6th, 2009
Principal: Grant Seaholm

Spencer Loomis...a partnership where individuals are valued and learning is inspired

Just a Reminder: The SL Attendance number is (847)719-3366. Please Use this number to call in Late Arrivals, Vacations etc...

Early-Release Day on Tuesday, November 10th 12:50 dismissal
No School on Wednesday, November 11th: Veteran's Day

Reading Incentive

The new communication process for my newsletter and incentive idea seems to be very successful. Last week Joey Boreczky was the lucky winner. Joey and a friend won a free lunch with me this week. My newsletter is scheduled to be sent at noon every Friday. Good luck finding the special phrase!

This week it will be the 6th e-mail!

Parent-Teacher Conferences

We will be having parent-teacher conferences next week. I always look forward to seeing all of you. This is an important time for teachers and parents to share information, ask questions and celebrate successes. It is very important the teacher and parents stay on time. It becomes very difficult to try to catch up once the teacher falls behind their schedule. Please do your best to honor the time dedicated for your child's conference. If you are unable to get all your questions answered within the given time, please ask to schedule an additional time.

A Brief History Lesson

World War I officially ended when the Treaty of Versailles was signed on June 28, 1919, in the Palace of Versailles outside the town of Versailles, France. However, fighting ceased seven months earlier when an armistice or temporary cessation of hostilities, between the Allied nations and Germany went into effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. For that reason, I love Spencer Loomis School November 11, 1918, is generally regarded as the end of "The war to end all wars." In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11th as the first commemoration of Armistice Day. After WW II Congress changed Armistice Day to Veteran's Day to honor all people that served their country.

Character Counts
"Citizenship"

<http://www.lz95.org/sl/care/citizenshippillar.html>

November is “Citizenship” month at Spencer Loomis. We will be doing a variety of activities to reinforce the importance of being good citizens. A key part of District 95’s mission statement says we should help our students be “responsible, caring **citizens** in a global community”. Listed below are some of ways we can be better citizens:

- Volunteer
- Help your school be a better, cleaner and safer place
- Protect the environment/recycle
- Conserve resources
- Voice your opinion
- Play by the rules
- Obey parents, teachers and others with authority
- Observe laws/classroom and school rules

H1N1

If you have any questions regarding H1N1 please go to the District webpage www.lz95.org and read the most current information on this topic.

♪ Music in the Morning ♪

Next week’s featured composer is Nicolò Paganini (1782-1840). Our featured composition will be:

Centone di Sonate Vol. 1
Sonata No. 1 for Violin and Guitar
2. Rondoncino

For information regarding our *Music in the Morning* program,
please contact Mr. Danz- michael.danz@lz95.org

Recess and Proper Cold Weather Attire

Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for outside recess. We had some students without coats/jackets, gloves, hats etc. at recess this week. Check with your child before they walk out the door to make sure they are all set for recess!

Preschool Screening

CUSD 95 will be offering a preschool screening for 3 and 4 year olds. Screening Location: St. Francis de Sales Ministry Center. The screening will take place from 9:30-12:30 on December 3rd and 4th. For a screening appointment call 847-540-7060.

Important Dates

Tuesday, November 10th
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Wednesday, November 11th
Thursday, November 12th
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Wednesday, November 18th
Friday, November 20th
Wednesday, Nov. 25th -29th

Early Release Day

Parent Teacher Conferences 2-7PM

No School

Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences 4-7PM

Innisbrook Pick-up 4-7PM

Yogi’s SL Fund-raiser

SL Movie Night 6-8PM

Thanksgiving Break- No School

Monday, November 30th
Thursday, Dec. 3rd & 4th
Saturday, December 5th
Monday, December 7th

Classes Resume
Pre-School Screening @ St. Francis 9:3-12:3
SL Winter Wonderland 9-12
Author Visit

HELP FUND RAISE FOR SPENCER LOOMIS

Target stores have an incentive called "Take Charge of Education". Currently there are very few families from the entire school signed up for this scheme. Target donates up to 1% of your REDcard purchases to the K-12 school of YOUR choice. You don't have to be a parent of a child in that school. You can be an Aunt, Uncle, Grandparent, friend, etc. PLEASE, sign up for the fantastic scheme. You can either call **1.800.440.0680** or go online and register your card, it's fast and easy and best of all raises money for your school!

After School Program – November 10th, 2009

We had a tremendous response for the After School Program on November 10th (early release day) and we tried our best to accommodate as many students as possible. **If you did not send in your registration by Friday, November 6th, your student(s) will NOT be able to attend the program.**

Spirit Wear Updates

Attached to this issue of the newsletter are the newest selections of spirit wear for girls plus the order form. If you are interested in ordering and receiving these items before the holidays, please submit your orders to Denise Rasbid by November 10th. You may send the order form to school via backpack mail in an envelope addressed Spirit Wear, Attention: Denise Rasbid denise.cqc@comcast.net.

Don't forget to submit your class t-shirt order for each student by November 10th. Order forms went home early this week. We highly encourage that all students have a class t-shirt for field trips and for Field Day events in the spring. The cost is low at \$10 to hopefully make this easily available to all students.

Parent/Teacher Conference Dinner

During conferences on Tuesday, November 10th and Thursday, November 12th, the PTO will be providing dinner for our teachers. If you would like to donate food or beverages, please contact Cathy Dickson at rccjdickson@gmail.com for more details.

Innisbrook Pick-Up

The pick-up date for Innisbrook is Thursday, November 12th from 4pm-7:30pm in the Cafeteria. Please mark your calendars.

Spencer Loomis PTO Restaurant Event!

Yogi's will be donating all day! Have lunch or dinner and a portion of the proceeds will go to the PTO.

When: November 18th, 2009

Where: Yogi's Pizza, 830 S Rand Rd, Lake Zurich, IL 60047
~Classroom with highest attendance between 5:30-7:30 pm will win an ice cream party~
~50/50 Cash Raffle~

Art Parent News

We hope you all enjoyed the beautiful artwork the children created with the October Art Parents. These drawings/paintings were the result of the study of the artist Georgia O'Keefe. She is a classic American artist who transformed realistic subjects into beautiful abstractions and challenged the boundaries of modern artistic style. The key of the lesson was to help the children understand and appreciate O'Keefe's careful attention to tiny details, the way scale can be used to draw our attention, and how one can "fill a space in a beautiful way." A huge thank you goes to all of the Art Parents who volunteered their time and made this project a success. If you did not yet do the Georgia O'Keefe projects in the classroom please contact Debbie Pike at debbiepikester@gmail.com

For the months of November and December we will be moving on to an art interest created by the Native American people. The tribes of the Coastal Pacific Northwest are unique in their woodcarving totems. A dip of the spoon into the culture of the area and the fine art of pole carving would not be complete without the creation of our own student and class totem poles in the Talking Trees Project. In order for this project to be a success we are still in need of toilet paper rolls. If you have a child in 4th or 5th grade you can send as many as you can collect to their classroom. If you do not have a child in those grades we could use your help as well so we will have a collection box in the Spencer Loomis PTO workroom. With your help we can make this project a success for the students! Art parents please schedule your classroom time with the teachers as soon as possible as this is a busy time of year. If you have any questions about the Art Parent program please contact Debbie Pike at debbiepikester@gmail.com

Spencer Loomis Thanksgiving Food Drive

Friday, November 13th. Please bring in:

Kindergarten: Tuna

First Grade: Peanut Butter

Second Grade: Canned Fruits and Vegetables

Third Grade: Cereal

Fourth Grade: Canned Soups

Fifth Grade: Canned Pasta (Ravioli, Spaghetti O's, Beefaroni, etc.)

All items collected will be donated to the St. Francis Food Pantry.

Save the Date!

November 20th - *Come watch Monsters vs Aliens*. The cost of the event is \$5 per family in advance or \$7 per family at the door. The cost includes a bag of popcorn per family member and (1) bottle of water per family member. Please note: This is a family event and therefore all children must be accompanied by an adult. Please return your reservation forms to the attention of "Family Events: Movie Night". If you have any questions contact Lora Rampino (llrampino428@sbcglobal.net) or Stacey Marguerite (staceyandtodd@comcast.net)

December 5th - *Winter Wonderland* - 9am-12pm (Silent Auction; Cake Walk; Ornament Workshop; Vendor Fair; Holiday Shoppe; Refreshments; RSVP details coming soon.)

New Spirit Wear Items



Raglan T-shirt w/ crystal "Mustangs"
Sweatshirt
\$25



Pink Hoodie Spencer Loomis
\$24



Plaid Flannel Sleep Pants w/ Spencer Loomis
\$29

Spirit Wear Order Form--Please Return Both Pages

The Spencer Loomis PTO is offering an opportunity to purchase Spencer Loomis Spirit wear as a way to show our school spirit while also serving as a fundraiser. The PTO will receive a portion of the proceeds from each item ordered to help fund learning enrichment and technology enhancement projects.

Please be sure to mark the quantity of items ordered and the size needed for each item on the form below.

The following sizes are offered in the clothing items: Youth Small (YS, size 6-8), Youth Medium (YM, size 10-12), Youth Large (YL, size 14-16), Adult Small (AS), Adult Medium (AM), and Adult Large (AL).

Please consider ordering a size larger than your child usually wears.

Description of Item	Price	Quantity Ordered	Size (Please Circle)
Forest Green Hoodie Sweatshirt w/ SL Mustang logo in white	\$24		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL
Forest Green Long Sleeve T-Shirt w/ SL Mustang logo in white	\$15		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL
Green Tye Dye Short Sleeve T-Shirt with SL lettering in white	\$15		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL
Ringer T-Shirt Short Sleeve in Gray with forest green trim, SL Mustang logo in forest green	\$15		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL
Forest Green Sweatpants w/ Spencer Loomis on front leg in white	\$23		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL
Gray Sweatpants w/ Spencer Loomis on front leg in green	\$23		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL
Flannel Sleep Pants in Forest Green, Black and White plaid with Spencer Loomis in White	\$29		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL
Sling Pak in Forest Green with SL Mustang logo in white	\$15		one size

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GIRLS SPIRIT WEAR ITEMS: SEE BELOW			
Pink Hoodie Sweatshirt w/ SL Mustang logo in green	\$24		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL
Cap Sleeve Raglan T-Shirt with pink sleeves and white shirt w/ "Mustangs" in green crystals	\$25		YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, or AL

Student Name:

Grade and Teacher's Name

Total # of items ordered:

Total cost for items:

Items will be delivered to school in time for the holidays, approximately three weeks from the time the order is submitted.

Checks should be attached to the order form and made payable to the Spencer Loomis PTO.

Thank you for your support. If you have any questions regarding Spirit Wear, please contact Denise Rasbid at denise.cqc@comcast.net or 720-480-3512.

All orders are due via backpack mail by November 10, 2009.