



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

A NOTE FROM MR. HOSKINS

Dear Landmark Academy Families,

Happy March! As we step into a new month, we are excited to bring you our latest newsletter filled with updates, events, and news from our school. This month, our focus habit is teamwork, and we are thrilled to see our students embracing this value both at home and at school.

****Teamwork Spotlight:****

We encourage all our students to reflect on how they have shown teamwork today, both at home and at school. Whether it's working together on a project, helping a classmate, or supporting family members, teamwork plays a vital role in our daily lives.

****Absolutely Incredible Kid Day**

Absolutely Incredible Kid Day is Thursday, March 21st. Our hope is that every student will receive a letter from a loved one. Please keep it a secret & see page 3 for more information.

****March Reading Month:****

March is not just about the arrival of spring; it's also Reading Month at our school! We have planned a variety of fun and engaging reading activities throughout the month to celebrate the joy of reading.

****One School, One Book:****

This year, we are thrilled to announce that our school-wide reading initiative will focus on the book "8 Class Pets + 1 Squirrel / by 1 Dog = Chaos." We can't wait to dive into this fun and creative story with our students and spark their love for reading.

****Reading Adventure:****

Students will have the opportunity to take their One School, One book to read at nine different local restaurants. Remember, if they complete this challenge, make sure to get the logo associated with the restaurant signed off by a restaurant staff member.. Each location signed off will be an entry into a drawing for some fantastic prizes! Also make sure to take some pictures. There will be an opportunity in March to show those off on our school Facebook page!

****McDonald's Reading Challenge:****

In partnership with McDonald's, we have a special reading challenge for our students. Those who complete the challenge will earn a free McFlurry! Let's encourage our young readers to embark on this exciting reading adventure.

As we embark on this journey of reading and adventure in March, let's continue to foster a love for learning and collaboration among our students. Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community.

Wishing you all a wonderful month filled with fun adventures and great reads!

March



MONTHLY FOCUS: TEAMWORK!

IMPORTANT DATES: MARCH 2024

March is Reading Month!

One School, One Book, One Community -
Students can Read & Eat at participating
restaurants for entries into fun drawings all
month long!

Mon., Mar 11 - Fri., Mar 22

Open Enrollment

Thurs., Mar 14

St Patricks Day Dress in Green fundraiser \$1
5th Grade Transition Night which is 3-5pm in the
MSHS Building

Sat., Mar 16

Mom2Mom Sale is 9am-1pm MSHS Building

Weds., Mar 20

\$1 Root Beer Float Day at lunch
Kindergarten Roundup is held from 4-6 pm in
the Elem Building

Thurs., Mar 21

Absolutely Incredible Kid Day (see page 3
for more details)

Fri., Mar 22

End of Term 3

Mon., Mar 25- Fri., Mar 29

Spring Break- No School

Mon., Apr 1

Staff PD Day-
No School for Students

WHAT I LOVE ABOUT LANDMARK ACADEMY!



Abigail B. - Grade 1

*My favorite thing about
Landmark Academy is...
The Mornings*

Aliyah D. - Grade 5

*My favorite thing about
Landmark Academy is...
The People*

Atticus D. - Grade 2

*My favorite thing about
Landmark Academy is...
All the Teachers*



March 1, 2024

Dear Parents,

Thursday, March 21, 2024, we will celebrate "ABSOLUTELY INCREDIBLE KID DAY™!" We would like to honor all of our incredible students this day. We are asking you to write a special note or card to your child reminding them of how incredible they are. It is our hope that every child will receive at least one letter from a parent or a special family member. You may send this letter through the U.S. mail or you can bring the letter to hospitality. **Please do NOT tell your student about this. We would like them to be surprised.** We will open the letters on March 21st. Letters may also be dropped off to hospitality before or after school.

You may send a letter between now and March 19th to the address listed below.

Your child's name

C/O Landmark Academy Elementary
4800 Lapeer Rd
Kimball, MI 48074

Absolutely Incredible Kid Day™ is celebrated annually on the third Thursday of March. It is Camp Fire USA's national call to action asking adults to write letters of love and support to youth-sons, daughters, nieces, nephews, and neighbors. This national campaign to honor children has been recognized as an event to inspire adult-to-children interaction.

Sample sentences to get you started...

- You always make me smile...
- You are very special in your unique way...
- I know that growing up is sometimes really hard...
- Spending time with you makes me so happy! I really enjoy when we...
- Has anyone ever told you that you can do anything you truly believe in? You can!
- You can accomplish anything if you set your mind to it.

Only letters will be delivered. **Please do NOT send flowers, balloons, etc.** We would like each child to be acknowledged with a simple letter. Research shows that simple words of encouragement and compassion can make a difference in a child's life. Putting those words into a letter allows the recipient to hang onto those encouraging words, and return to them for inspiration and guidance, often for years to come.

Thank you for your cooperation and we would like this day to be a surprise.

Sincerely,

Landmark Academy Staff.

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Parent

Info!



DONATIONS

Landmark Academy is accepting gently used or new school appropriate clothing. If your student has outgrown clothing that you would like to donate, you can drop off to our hospitality office. Thank you!

Travel Club Looking for Rummage:

The travel club will have a rummage table at the Mom2Mom sale. If you have any items you want to get rid of, they will take them for their table.

Any items not sold will be donated to the American Veterans Association. You can drop off the items to the MS/HS building.

WADHAMS VINCKIER

GROCERY STORE

Bring all your Wadhams Vinckier Grocery Store receipts in or put them in our box at the store to help us turn those into points so we can order items for our school district from their catalog. This year's receipt collection will be ending March 31.

FRIDAY JEAN DAY

Students in K-5 will be able to wear jeans, athletic pants or sweatpants each Friday for \$1.

They may also wear Laker Spirit wear on Fridays including hoodies. There are numerous items on the Laker Spirit Wear order that can be worn any day of the week such as polos, ¼ zips, and full zips. Order forms can also be picked up at hospitality. Orders can be turned into the teacher, hospitality or Mr. Hoskins.

EARLY PICKUP

As stated in our parent student handbook, early pickup must be done 30 min prior to the start of dismissal. 2:30pm Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri. & 12:30pm on early release Wed. Please be advised that your student's safety is our priority so we may ask to see identification from time to time (such as a driver's license or state issued ID).

Summer EBT Program Money

Families who qualify for free and reduced meals will qualify for the Summer EBT program. Parents will receive \$40 per child for 3 months over the summer to assist with food benefits. EBT cards will be sent directly to homes so **MAKE SURE YOUR ADDRESS IS CORRECT** in Skyward Family Access by March 5th. Contact hospitality if you do not know your login and password.

Household Information Surveys were emailed to families that currently do not have free and reduced meal status to complete if they are family income eligible.

If you have any questions or you need a form mailed to you, contact Mrs. Harnish at harnisha@landmarkacademy.net

Student Safety

Please **DO NOT USE THE BUS LOOP** during arrival and dismissal. The bus loop must remain clear for the busses to safely drop off and pick up students without additional traffic. Additionally, no students should be dropped off before 7:30am. They are not supervised until 7:30am, so they will need to remain in their vehicles until then. Thank you for ensuring the safety of our students.

Student Spotlight

We love to recognize student achievement in and out of school. If you would like your student's achievement recognized, you can email Mr. Hoskins at Hoskinsa@landmarkacademy.net

Open Enrollment and Kindergarten Roundup

We are excited to announce that enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year at Landmark Academy is soon approaching! Open enrollment will begin on March 10th, and we are thrilled to welcome new students to our wonderful school community. For families with incoming kindergarteners, we will be hosting a special Kindergarten Roundup on March 20th from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. This event is a fantastic opportunity for you and your child to meet our dedicated teachers, tour our facilities, and learn more about the exciting programs and opportunities we offer at Landmark Academy. We encourage all families interested in enrolling their child in kindergarten for the upcoming school year to attend our Kindergarten Roundup. If you know of any neighbors or friends who may be interested in joining our school community, please help spread the word about this event. At Landmark Academy, we are committed to providing a nurturing and engaging learning environment where every child can thrive and reach their full potential. We look forward to meeting our future kindergarteners and their families at the Kindergarten Roundup! If you have any questions about enrollment or the Kindergarten Roundup event, please don't hesitate to contact us.



A NOTE FROM YOUR NURSE

Winter greetings! As I care for your child at school, it is very important that I know all important medical information. Please update the school with information such as:

- Medications your child takes at the school
- Allergies - Please notify or confirm that the school is aware of severe allergies. If your child has food allergies, there is a form that can be attained at hospitality which will be how the cafeteria will be alerted.
- Please confirm by checking skyward which should have important medical information in the alert info box under emergency contacts. Contact the school if information needs to be added to skyward.

Tips from the nurse:

- Hand washing!
 - The single most effective way to prevent sickness.
 - Have soap available at home in an accessible place for family members to wash their hands when arriving home from public places and remind them to do so.
 - Wash hands before eating any food
 - Hand sanitizer should not replace hand washing, as it does not do as good a job.
- Best way to know if your child should stay home if not feeling well is to keep your child home if they have one or more of the following:
- Fever of 100 or greater the morning of school (be aware that medications such as Tylenol and Motrin can mask a fever). Note: Do not send your child to school until they have been fever free for 24 hours without the help of medicine.
- Persistent cough that brings up phlegm
- Diarrhea or vomiting in the last 24 hours
- Earache - contact your doctor without delay
- Rashes - only ok to send your child to school with a rash if your doctor indicates it is safe to do so
- Head lice- intense itching of the scalp is usually the primary complaint. After inspection of the hair which will display nits (eggs) that resemble dandruff but are difficult to pick out of hair and gray like parasites may be seen. Treatment for lice is done at home using a shampoo with a permethrin ingredient and the child must be checked by the school nurse before school re-entry.
- Remind your child to not share hats, coats and combs with other students as this is a way to transmit head lice. Check your child's hair and contact the school to notify if you suspect they have head lice

Reminders :

- Please do not send cough drops to school with your child. They are considered medication and may not be taken in school without a signed medication parent form.

Remember that I am always a resource available to answer any questions or concerns you may have and my contact information is:

810.982.7210 Ext. 1702

Roodm@landmarkacademy.net



Biggest Mom 2 Mom & Dads 2

Spring Cleaning Edition!

**March 16, 2024
9am - 1pm**

Admission: Donations accepted at the door
to support the Landmark Academy Travel Team

We are located at:

4800 Lapeer Rd.

Kimball, MI 48074

Middle School/High School Building

**Landmark Academy
Open House**

Take a tour of Landmark Academy
and enroll on March 16th during the sale!

**Visit: biggestmom2mom.com
for more info!**



2024 State Assessments

What's New?

- *Students will be required to take M-Step, PSAT, SAT, and MME on computers.*

What can you do to help your child prepare?

- *Get a good night's sleep.*
- *Eat a healthy breakfast.*
- *Make sure your child is on time to school on testing days.*
- *Make sure your child has charged his/her device fully.*
- *Make sure your child brings their Chromebook charger to school on testing days.*
- *Every student should have headphones for testing.*

Does my student test?

- *Students in grades 3-11 will be taking the state required assessments.*

Pre-Testing Preparation

PSAT/SAT

- <https://satsuitequestionbank.collegeboard.org/>

M-Step

- <https://www.michigan.gov/mde/services/student-assessment/m-step/content-specific-information/online-practice-for-m-step-ela-math-science-and-social-studies>

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TEACHER OF THE MONTH 23-24

Q Country would like to reward our teachers each each month with their 'Teacher of the Month' contest, brought to you by Party Express in Port Huron and Nicole Winston, Attorney & Counselor at Law!

On the final Friday of each month this school year, they'll pick a deserving teacher to win a pizza party for their class courtesy of Party Express, along with a \$200 check from Nicole Winston! If you have a deserving teacher in your life, enter them below!

<https://www.wsaq.com/teacher-of-the-month-23-24/>

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