



# LAKEHOMA LEDGER

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**Office:** It is time for State Testing! Our third and fourth grade teachers and students have been working so hard all year! They are ready to show off what they know! Students: Get a good night's rest and a healthy breakfast! Good luck, sweet students! You can do it!

**Kindergarten:** Happy Spring! Don't forget to check the weather to see if your child might need a jacket. You never know what the weather will do in Oklahoma! Practice those sight words; read to your child each day for at least 5 minutes or let them read to you! Work on addition and subtraction with small numbers. We've been working on this in class. Math facts are also on the report card! Please check your child's folder daily for homework and notes from the office. Thank you, Mrs. Daugherty, Ms. Costantino, Ms. Bingham, Mrs. Bennet and Mrs. Penick.

**First:** Happy April! Wow the school year is almost to an end! Please remember to keep working on math facts both addition and subtraction up to 20. Reflex Math is an excellent way to practice facts at home on your computer or tablet. We do have a timed fact test in May. Keep reading each night with your child. Practice really does make perfect. Just a reminder: our field trip to the OKC Zoo on April 26. A note will be coming home with more information. Parents will be meeting us at the zoo. You will need to go ahead and pay your admission and then we will meet you just inside the zoo. Our Mother's Day Tea is coming up on May 12 at 1:30. We hope to see you in the gym for our program and then we will dismiss to our classrooms for cookies and punch. Thanks for your support this year. We appreciate you!

**Second:** Spring is here!! 2nd graders have been learning about maps and U.S. symbols. We are getting ready to start a geometry unit in math. The students love STEM on Fridays. Be looking for information about the upcoming field trip. The end of school is near, but we still have lots to learn to be ready for 3rd grade. Please keep working on math facts and reading at least 20 minutes every night. Thanks for all you do!

**Third:** The reading portion of the OCCT is April 4 and 5. The math portion will be April 11 and 12. All tests start at 8:15am. Please make sure your child is here and on time. Also, make sure your child gets a good night's sleep, eats a breakfast high in protein and dresses in comfortable clothes. This is not a timed test.

We will have our Pioneer Day (aka Land Run) on April 21st at "High Noon." Parents are welcome. They will be able to dress western/pioneer (no weapons) and bring a sack lunch.

This month, we will be requiring all students to write a research report on a famous Oklahoman. This will count as two grades. Several notes will be coming home

regarding the Pioneer Day and the report so PLEASE check your child's folders every day for this important information.

**Fourth:** We are preparing for the state test. We will take the Reading test April 4th and 5th. We will take the Math test April 11th and 12th. Please look over the parent/student guides that we sent home and talk to your child about doing their best! Please avoid making doctor appointments or have any other absences on those days. Some ways to have your child ready are: wear comfortable clothes, eat a good breakfast with protein, go to bed the nights before early or on time, and have a positive attitude towards the test. Mrs. Maples and Mrs. D. will also be teaching about energy and motion in science! Our fourth grade field trip will be April 26. We will be going to the Arts Festival downtown. We will need quite a few sponsors so that we can have the students in small groups.

**Art:** Kindergarten and 1st grade are learning about Batik Painting. 2nd grade are painting a picture about their pets. 3rd are making Totem Poles and 4th are learning the Elements of Design.

**Music:** Honor Choir will be performing at the Arts Festival April 26th at noon.

**PE:** PE will be finishing up their basketball unit. The students have made some great posters to support their teams. We will begin kickball, baseball/ softball next. Please continue to make sure your child wears tennis shoes to PE.

**Media Center:** Thank you, thank you to all of the students, parents, faculty, and grandparents who shopped the book fair. All of our profits will go to purchase books and technology equipment for Lakehoma Elementary. A super big thank you goes to all of the Book Fair volunteers. We appreciate your hard work. Remember, April is **School Library Month**. This is a time to celebrate school libraries, their employees, their resources, and their programs. Be sure and stop by Lakehoma Library Media Center anytime this month and check out a book with your child! Thank you, Mrs. Jordan

