Long Beach Parent Newsletter The Lion's Roar April 6, 2023

American Heart Association The following was sent to our P.E> teacher, Mr. Carstensen (Mr. C) on behalf of the American Heart Association On behalf of the American Heart Association, thank you very much for raising \$2.450.67 with your school's recent Kids Heart Challenge /American Heart Challenge program. Families and schools are critical links in providing the foundation for cardiovascular wellness in our country. Your support and participation in the Kids Heart Challenge/American Heart Challenge makes a tremendous impact in helping millions of Americans through increased awareness of cardiovascular disease, lifesaving scientific research and critically needed education efforts.

Together, we are fierce — a relentless force for a world of longer, healthier lives. Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our mission.

With heart,

Nancy Brown

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Chief Executive Officer

American Heart Association

<u>Read A Thon</u> ~ Long Beach Elementary School wants to say **THANK YOU!** We are so proud of our readers! With your support, we were able to raise over \$6,000 and our students were able to enjoy reading more than 400,000 minutes! Long Beach can't wait to host a Read-A-Thon again next year!

Readers need to make sure to spend their prize money by Thursday, April 13th, 2023. Any prize money not spent by Thursday, April 13th, 2023 will no longer be available. The prize store cannot be reopened once it is closed. All prizes will be shipped to the school. https://www.read-a-thon.com/readers/login/

Fun Fair ~ Home & School is looking forward to bringing back Fun Fair, scheduled for Saturday. April 29th from 11:00-2:00! Home & School is putting together a planning committee and will need many volunteers to help make this event a success. Please consider volunteering in any way - if everyone does a little to help, we will have an amazing Fun Fair! We cannot have this event without the help from many volunteers. Please consider signing up through the link. tinyurl.com/2023LBFunFair

- <u>Craft Night</u> Save the date for <u>Friday, April 21st from 6:00-7:00 pm</u>. This will be a free family event to create decorations for Fun Fair!
- <u>Penny Wars</u> Save your change! Our classrooms will be decorating their doors going along with our Fun Fair theme, Carnival. Doors will be voted on using pennies and silver coins. Pennies will give votes to the door and silver coins will take votes away from a door. Prize for winning classrooms! Voting will run from <u>4/24-4/28</u>.

Home & School News

Home & School Meeting - We would love to have you join us at our April meeting. Our next meeting is on Thursday, April 13th @ 7:00 pm in the Long Beach LRC. Enter through door #5, and turn left to the LRC - across from the Art Room. We will be honoring our March Students of the Month. Now is a great time to get involved. We have some exciting events coming up - Fun Fair, Back to School Bash, and many events for 2023-2024 and it won't be long before we begin planning and scheduling those events for next year. We hope you will want to be a part of all that is ahead of us.

• Nominations - The annual Home & School election will be held at our final meeting of the year on Thursday, May 11th. We are in need of a treasurer and several members-at-large to help run committees for the 23-24 school year. If there are events you'd like to see happen please talk to us about how we can help make it happen. We are happy to answer any questions you have about getting involved with Home & School.

<u>Parent Volunteer Lunch</u> - Parents who attend a Home & School meeting or volunteer at a Home & School event earn the opportunity to have lunch with their student during their designated lunch time at Long Beach. Our next parent volunteer lunch is on <u>Friday</u>, <u>April 21st</u> with RSVP's due <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 19th</u>.

<u>Community Nights</u> - Our next restaurant night is at Noodles & Company on <u>Monday. April 17th from 4:00-8:00pm.</u> Stay tuned for our upcoming McTeacher Night on <u>Tuesday, May 2nd from 4:30-7:30pm!</u>

<u>Social Media</u> - Join our Facebook group for volunteer opportunities, to see updates, and to ask questions! You can find us under the Long Beach Home & School Association. You will be asked a couple of questions before approval to join.

Hospitality - Help us provide a breakfast assortment for our wonderful Long Beach Staff on Tuesday. April 11th! You can sign up to help with set-up or to donate items through the following link. tinyurl.com/AprilHospitality

<u>Spirit Wear</u> - Imagination & Design is working on an updated Long Beach Lion's logo as well as Field Day and Jr. High shirts. Stay tuned for ordering information coming home very soon!

Yearbook - It's time to order your 22-23 yearbook! You have the option to pay with cash or check by Monday. April 17th or to order online through the link below by Thursday. April 13th. Please do not order a yearbook for your 5th grader as they will be gifted one from Home & School! https://www.shop.memorybook.com/school/108837longbeachelementary/

Butter Braid Fundraiser - Thank you to all that participated in the Home & School Butter Braid Fundraiser! Did you forget to turn in your order form? That's ok - we can add your order in up until Wednesday, April 12th. Butter Braid pick-up will take place on Saturday, April 15th from 9:00-11:00 am at Long Beach.

If you need to get in contact with any Home & School board member, or just have questions, please contact Kristina, President at kpylest@gmail.com and she will put you in touch.

Important Upcoming Dates

Friday, April 7th

NO STUDENT ATTENDANCE - District Closed

Monday, April 10th

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Wednesday, April 12th

• LAST DAY to turn in Butter Braid order forms

Thursday, April 13th

- Home & School Meeting 7:00 in the LRC
- Yearbook online orders due

Friday, April 14th

- Student of the Month Pizza Lunch
 - o During regular lunch times, eat with nominating staff member

Saturday, April 15th

• Butter Braid order pick-up @ Long Beach 9:00-11:00 am

Monday, April 17th

- Yearbook <u>cash or check orders</u> due to the office
- Community Night @ Noodles & Company 4:00-8:00

Tuesday, April 18th

Spring Picture Day

Friday, April 21st

- Parent Volunteer Lunch with Students
 - During regular lunch times
 - 2nd Grade 11:05-11:25, 1st Grade 11:25-11:45, Kindergarten 11:45-12:10
 - 5th Grade 12:35-12:55, 3rd Grade 12:55-1:15, 4th Grade 1:15-1:35
- Fun Fair Family Craft Night 6:00-7:00 in the cafeteria

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• Fun Fair 11:00 - 2:00

Tuesday, May 2nd

• McTeacher Night 4:30-7:30