

8th Grade Newsletter

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This week, students in both on-level and advanced, were introduced to Edgar Allen Poe's short story "Tell Tale Heart" with a crime scene and a recorded confession. Physical evidence was tracked and compared to the text. We continued to practice identifying figurative language. Next week, we will be using the story to analyze mood and tone. Students are also continuing work on their own personal "explode the moment" writing. As part of our drama unit, we will soon begin reading "Twelve Angry Men," which will lead us towards our upcoming argumentative and research units.



Math: Courtney Ferrari <u>cferrari@LPSFrisco.com</u>
Math 8 - Complete Unit 5: Proportional and Non-Proportional Functions. Algebra I - Complete Unit 4: Applications of Linear Functions. These Units will conclude when we are released for Thanksgiving break.

SS: Christyn Gossett cgossett@LPSFrisco.com

We will continue to learn about the structure of our government for the first week of November. We will then dive into Jefferson's Presidency and the War of 1812 right before Thanksgiving Break.



Science: Stephanie Catalan scatalan@LPSFrisco.com

Students will explore energy traveling through the waves. As students discover the shape and motion of waves, they will identify characteristics of transverse waves, which include wavelength, amplitude, and frequency. Students will explore characteristics and behaviors of waves using real world examples, including sound, light, ocean, and seismic waves. Students will observe changes in waves as different amounts of energy travel through different mediums, such as sound waves traveling through air versus a liquid or solid. They will discover that differing wavelengths have unique properties.

"When you smile at someone, the person smiles back. According to Newton's 3rd Law of Motion, 'to every action there is an equal and opposite reaction." - Tapan Ghosh

Electives

PE: Alex Percival <u>apercival@LPSFrisco.com</u>

students will be participating in the "Mile Monday", working on improving their time. We will also be taking the fitnessgram soon, and students will be preparing for the push up test and curl up tests.

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Please email me if you have any questions about what we are doing in class

Band: Michael Stone <u>mstone@LPSFrisco.com</u>

The LPS Annual Veteran's Day Celebration will take place in the Secondary Gym, Thursday, November 7, 2024, with two shows: 2:16-3:16, and 3:20-4:20pm. The entire Fine Arts Department (Art, Band, and Theatre will be the hosts for this wonderful celebration. If you, or a family member, was/is a Veteran, please come and be recognized. We will have plenty of room and refreshments will be served. See you all there!

Theatre: Brianna Lewallen blewallen@LPSFrisco.com

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Art: Brooklyn Houston bhouston@LPSFrisco.com

Students will now be introduced to the principles of art! They will create another cross curricular project using tessellations. These will be like their own miniature puzzles!

PRINC A/V (7/8):

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FUND COM SCI (7/8): jparker@lpsfrisco.com

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DIGITAL ART & ANIM: jdubose@lpsfrisco.com

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Reminders/Important Info

- Stay up to date with LPS Activities by checking out their Calendar that is on the LPS Website! <u>Linked here.</u>
- Please check the Big Rocks Calendar for due dates and school events! This is in your child's Google Calendar.
- Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook.
- If your child has not finished any MAP test or class quizzes/tests please have your child attend tutoring!
- Please check your child's chromebook. They should NOT be taking the case off. Nothing should be touching the computer except for the case. Any stickers need to be ON the case. No wrappers, sticky notes, or pictures should be under the case.
- Student Ascender Portal Linked Here (To See Grades!)
- Parent Ascender Portal Linked Here (To See Grades!)

Helper Helper

- Please read the Helper Helper guidelines in the Parent Student Handbook (pp.87-90).
- If your student is new to LPS this year, then please have them send their full name and grade from their school email address to helperhelper@lpsfrisco.net. When the student's Helper Helper account is set up then they will receive an email to their school email account from info@helperhelper.com with a temporary password.
 - Questions? Please email helperhelper@lpsfrisco.net

SUNDAY MONDAY **TUESDAY** WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY** SATURDAY 3 6 8 4 12:00a - 1:00a + TCSAAL Varsity 5:30p - 6:30p + Veterans Day + 2:16p - 3:16p + Staff Basketball JV Boys BB Game (Away Veterans Day Development Parade Begins Assembly (HS) No School #93) 5:00p - 9:00p + TCSAAL NTX Regional 3:20p - 4:20p + 5:30p - 6:30p + MS B Boys BB Game (Home Veterans Day Assembly Chess (MS) Tournament #95) @ LPS 5:30p - 7:00p + 6:30p - 7:30p + MS A Girls BB Varsity Girls **BB** Game Game (Home (Home #138) 6:00p - 7:30p + 7:30p - 8:30p + MS A Boys BB 5th-10th Grade Game (Home Student Led #97) Conferences 7:00p - 8:30p + Varsity Boys BB Game (Home #139) 12 13 15 16 10 11 14 5th Grade Camp Jolt 6:00p - 7:30p + TCSAAL Sub- + all Sports Varsity Awards Ceremony Basketball 5:00p - 6:00p + ASVAB Test Theater Winter Show - Secon... Progress Begins MS A Girls BB (10th-12th Reports Game (Away #236) Grade) Posted 5:30p - 6:30p + College 5:30p - 7:00p + 6:00p - 7:00p + MS A Boys BB Scholarship Varsity Girls State Chess + Info Night **BB** Game Game (Away 5:30p - 7:00p + (Away #335) #237) Varsity Girls 7:00p - 8:00p + BB Game (Away #180) JV Boys BB Game (Away #346) 7:00p - 8:30p + Varsity Boys **BB** Game (Away #336) 20 17 18 19 22 23 21 5:30p - 7:00p + 5:30p - 6:30p + 5:00p - 9:00p + Secondary Class Shirt & Varsity Girls MS A Girls BB Lip Sync BB Game Game (Away Battle Jeans (Away #411) #452) W.I.G. DAY 6:30p - 7:30p + MS A Boys BB Game (Away 7:00p - 8:30p + 5:30p - 7:00p + Varsity Boys Varsity Girls BB Game **BB** Game (Away #412) #453) (Home #558) 7:00p - 8:00p + 7:00p - 8:30p + JV Boys BB Varsity Boys BB Game Game (Away #451) (Home #559)

LPS Calendar of the next 2 weeks

LPS Calendar <u>Linked here</u>.

Dresscode

- Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook.

Shirts 5th-12th	Short and long sleeve shirts must be white, navy or forest green collared shirts. High school students may also choose a black collared shirt. Shirts must be solid in color with no insignia or logos except for the LPS logo. If a long sleeve undershirt is worn under a short sleeve shirt, it must be solid white, navy or forest green.
Pants	Pants and shorts for all students (and capris for girls) are to be khaki-colored or navy and made of cotton twill material (no yoga, cargo, joggers, or athletic-type pants). A solid black or brown belt must be worn if there are belt loops. Shorts may be no more than 2 inches above the knee. Pants are to be worn at the natural waistline and hems of pants must not touch the floor. No pajamas or pajama bottoms are allowed.
Skirts/Skorts/ Jumpers	Girls may also wear khaki or navy skirts/skorts, and girls in K-4 may wear khaki or navy jumpers as well. The length must be no shorter than four inches above the floor when kneeling, and solid navy modesty shorts are to be worn underneath skirts/skorts/jumpers at all times.

Any jackets, sweatshirts, etc are NOT allowed to have hoodies attached.

Any outerwear is also NOT allowed to have any logos.

If your child is wearing a skirt please make sure it is no shorter than 4 inches above their knees.

Dresscode (continued)

Socks/Tights	If socks are worn, only solid white, black, or navy socks may be worn. Girls may also wear solid white or navy tights or leggings underneath skirts/skorts/jumpers. Tights must be from toes to waist. Leggings can go the ankle if worn underneath skirts/skorts/jumpers.
Shoes	Shoes must be worn at all times. Only closed-toed, closed-heel shoes with non-marking soles are allowed. Shoes must be predominantly white, black, brown, grey-or navy (can be athletic, loafer style, or dress shoes). Shoes with shoelace holes must have shoelaces. Shoelace color must be white, navy or neutral and in good repair. No flip-flops, sandals, slippers, clogs, crocs, wheelies, light up shoes, platform shoes, wedges, or boots of any kind are allowed. Tennis shoes must be worn in PE. Heel height shall not be more than 1 inch.
Outerwear	Sweaters, sweatshirts or jackets worn indoors must be in keeping with the school's color scheme (solid white, navy or khaki [or forest green in grades 5 and up]) or black or gray. They must not have any lettering or logos other than the LPS logo. No outerwear with hoods will be allowed to be worn indoors (Hoodies are not allowed). Spirit crew neck sweatshirts may be worn with uniform shirt collar visibly worn outside of the sweatshirt.

Dresscode (continued)

Jean Day Guidelines

The Principal may occasionally designate casual clothing days (uniform free). Casual clothing or jean day dress must meet the requirements of the LPS dress code.

- · Pants must be worn at the natural waist.
- · Shorts must be the same length as uniform shorts.
- · Clothing must not be worn too tightly or oversized.
- · No midriffs or short skirts.
- No shirts with logos or words as specified under Uniform Guidelines.
- · No tank tops or spaghetti straps.
- No flip-flop sandals, no open-toed/open heel shoes, no heel height of more than 1 inch
- No puffy jackets/vest.
- · Rules from handbook regarding jewelry, makeup, and hair apply.
- · Students should wear only blue denim jeans, shorts or skirts. There should not be any printed logos or emblems on jeans.
- Torn jeans or jeans with holes are not acceptable.
- Leggings may only be worn under uniform skirts.

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