



THURSDAY NOTES

September 1, 2011

2 Elul 5771

Shoftim

Shabbat Candle Lighting: 7:25 pm

Dear Parents,

We have had a wonderful start to the new school year. I was delighted to see so many of you at the Parent Orientation Breakfast., and hope you took the opportunity to introduce yourself to other parents. Lerner has a tradition of warmly welcoming each family into our school, and I encourage you to arrange play dates and carpools, invite others to join you at the J for exercise or programs after drop off or before pick up, and ask someone new to join with you to volunteer during one of our programs. I have found through the years that though I value and depend on my old friends, I gain so much by opening myself up to new friendships and experiences.

I want to thank you all for the patience you have shown with drop off and pick up times. It is our hope that with the addition of the turning lane, the opening up of parking spaces, the addition of the new sidewalk, and the forming of carpools that we will be able to have fewer cars backed up and waiting, more families choosing to park and walk in on the new sidewalk with their children, and as a bonus, reduce harmful auto emissions.

Facilities update:

- The roadwork continues and should be completed within the next two weeks.
- The new track is being installed as I sit here typing and the field will be sodded by this weekend.
- The shade structures will be installed next week and the rope bridge and climbing wall on the new playground should be installed by mid-September.

Have a wonderful holiday weekend.

Mary

Donations have been made by the following people to commemorate special events:

- Bert and Ellen Kaplan in honor of Rabbi Frank Fischer
- Michael and Ruth Frank in honor of Sharon Halperin
- Nir and Lital Shnaiderman in honor of the IDF Soldiers
- Ivy and Vince Wingate in honor of Jordana Brown
- Matt and Susan Springer in honor of our wonderful Lerner staff and faculty
- Edward and Sharon Halperin in honor of the 2011 Lerner graduates
- Alan Lovins and Trish Loving in honor of Jacob and Liora Lovins

Get in Sync with Lerner!

Wouldn't it be great if you could keep track of important dates at Lerner on your personal Google Calendar or Smart Phone? Yes, it is possible! And it's easy! Here's how to get in Sync with The Lerner School:

- Visit www.lernerschool.org
- Go to the 'Parents' tab and select 'Calendar & School Hours' from the drop-down menu.
- Once there, you will see the Lerner School 2011-2012 School Year Calendar.
- Scroll down to the bottom portion of the page (not the calendar) and click the '+Google Calendar' icon.
- This will open a new window where you will need to login into your Google account.
- Once logged in, a window will pop-up asking which Lerner calendars you would like to add.
- Select your calendar and voila! all of Lerner's info will be merged onto your personal Google calendar.

To take it a step further – you can also sync your Google calendar (now complete with Lerner's calendar) with your iPhone or other mobile device's calendar. If you're interested in taking that step, just visit: <http://www.google.com/support/calendar> – and look for the 'Sync' link under the 'Access Options' heading.

Thank you to Our Wonderful Volunteers!!!

Ice Cream Social-

Stephanie Poley, Edie Kahn, Jeff Halev, Ruth and Neil Poley, Idan and Keren Dalyot

Baking Challah for the Students and Families:

Idan Dalyot and Daphne Emodi

Orientation Breakfast:

Susan Springer and Rebecca Kowek

We have many great opportunities for our students to learn, have fun and take part in special events, but we cannot do it without you! We rely heavily on parent support and volunteers. We realize many of you work and it may be difficult to attend events during school hours. There are many events which occur "after hours" and hope you will be able to volunteer for those. If you have questions please feel free to contact me at ofra@lernerschool.org. I will be able to direct you to an event that suits your talents. This is a wonderful way to get to know the teachers and other students throughout the school. Thank You!

Corey's Second Wind 5K Run/Walk

*Sponsored by Beth El Sisterhood in partnership with
Lerner Jewish Community Day School and Community Midrasha*

Sunday, September 25 at 8:00 am

Sign in at the Lerner School and head over to the Al Buehler Trail in the Duke Forest for the 5K. This is a family friendly event –children, strollers, pets are all welcome! You can sign up online by clicking here: <http://www.active.com/running/durham-nc/coreys-second-wind-5k-runwalk-2011> !

This is a fundraising effort to support Corey Gradin and her family. Corey is a wonderful young lady and member of our local Jewish community who has Cystic Fibrosis and will need a double lung transplant. Registration fees will go to the Children's Organ Transplant Association (COTA) to support Corey.

