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# APRIL PAW PRINTS



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**Vision:** Lutz K-8: *Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow*

**Mission:** Lutz K-8: *Building Tomorrow's Leaders Through Responsibility, Effort, Attitude, and Leadership*

## Principal's Note



Lutz Leopards,

Thank you for your support as we begin our spring end of the year testing season. Please monitor the testing calendar sent home to all families regarding testing dates. We know all our Leopards will do their best! As we prepare for testing, we want to be sure students arrive on time at school, get a good night's sleep, and eat a good breakfast. We have April and May testing dates and if you have questions regarding testing, please contact your child's teacher or Mr. Alwood and Ms. Truman. This is a reminder that school starts for students at 7:40 A.M. We thank you for your support in ensuring that students arrive at school by 7:40 A.M. and are in class ready to learn. It is hard to believe we are already in the fourth quarter of the 2023-2024 school year! We are looking forward to all our end-of-the-year events with our Leopard students. Thanks for all you do, and we are excited for what the remainder of the year will bring!

Mr. Phillips  
Principal  
Lutz K-8 School

## School Wide Talent Show

The school wide talent show will be on April 3<sup>rd</sup> in the MPR from 6:00pm-7:00pm. Congratulations to all our students participating, we look forward to a great night!



## Early Release Monday's

Please be aware that **EVERY MONDAY** is an early release day. Elementary and Middle School students dismiss at **1:10pm**. Please make sure your child is picked up at the appropriate time.

## Yearbook News

Don't miss a memory! Your last chance to pre-order the 2023 Lutz K-8 Yearbook is April 26<sup>th</sup>. The current yearbook cost is \$45. <https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/index.cfm/job/24724>

## Middle School Social

The Middle School Social is scheduled for Friday, April 5, 2024 at 2:30pm in the MPR. Permission Slips are due April 2nd

## Scholastic Book Fair

The Book Fair is returning! Students will be able to preview Thursday 4/11 and Friday 4/12. Book Fair sales will be 4/15 through 4/19. The Book Fair will also be open during conference night on 4/18. Be on the lookout for more information on volunteering and setting up e-wallet.

## Autism Acceptance Month

April is Autism Acceptance Month. This recognition raises awareness about autism acceptance and promotes inclusion and connectedness for people with autism.

## End of Year Testing

The April & May Testing Schedule is attached. It is very important that students are present and arrive on time on testing days.

## Counselor's Corner

The Leader of the Month characteristic we are recognizing in March is **Integrity**. We will end the year by celebrating students who show strong **Perseverance**. As we approach the final couple months of school, it is important to encourage your students to get a good night's rest and breakfast in the morning.

## 5K Run & Family Fun Festival

The Cassidy Otto 5K Run and Family Fun Festival takes place on April 21, 2024. All proceeds to benefit the Children's Cancer Center, Cassidy Otto Stomp Out Cancer Foundation Therapy Dog Fund, The Cassidy Otto Scholarship Fund, and Moffitt Cancer Center. <https://cassidyottofoundation.org/>

## Young Athletes Special Olympics

Please join us for our annual Young Athlete Event at 7:45am on April 17th. Our athletes will be cheered on by our school as they parade to the event location to perform.



Special Olympics  
youngathletes™



## Thank you, Volunteers!

Volunteers freely give their time, talents, and donations for a specific task. We are extremely grateful for the parents and members of our community who have stepped up to embrace any task on campus that was needed. Thank you, Lutz K8 Volunteers!



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Apr 1 Talent Show Rehearsals - After School - 1:30pm-3:00pm  
Apr 2 M.S. Flag Football Game vs Liberty @ Freedom 6pm  
Apr 3 AVID Field Trip to Steinbrenner HS  
Apr 3 Talent Show - 6:00pm-7:00pm - MPR  
Apr 5 Pre-K/Kg Field Trip to the Aquarium  
Apr 5 Middle School Social - 2:30pm-4:30pm - MPR  
Apr 5 March DEN Winner PEP Rally - Wear Your DEN Shirts  
Apr 8 Elementary Report Cards Available Online  
Apr 9 M.S. Report Cards Available Online  
Apr 9 Grades 3-5 Elementary Academic Awards 7:15am-8:00am - MPR  
Apr 10 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip to Zoo Tampa  
Apr 10 M.S. Flag Football Game vs Maniscalco @ Gaither - 6pm  
Apr 11 STEAM Night - 5:30pm-7:30pm

Important  
Dates

Apr 12 Leopard Leader of the Month Celebration 7:15am - MPR  
Apr 12 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to United Skates  
Apr 15 Book Fair - All Week  
Apr 15 M.S. Flag Football vs Buchanan @ Gaither - 5:30pm  
Apr 16 NEHS/NJHS Induction Ceremony 6:00pm-7:00pm  
Apr 17 Young Athletes Event - 7:45am-9:45am - Covered Court  
Apr 18 Whole School Conference Night - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Book Fair Open!  
Apr 18 M.S. Flag Football vs Turner Bartels @ Turner Bartels - 6:00pm  
Apr 22 Animal Supply Drive - All Week  
Apr 24 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip to Zoo Tampa / Secretaries Day  
Apr 24 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Field Trip to Tampa Theatre - Jack Hartman  
Apr 24 Flag Football vs Greco @ Tampa Bay Tech - 6:00pm  
Apr 30 Junior Civitan Banquet - 6:00pm-7:00pm - MPR