

# The Wave



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## Mrs. Ackley's Message . . .

### WRITING IS IN THE AIR

We are busy preparing for our 7th annual Literacy Lights the Night event on February 23rd. As I have mentioned, students will be meeting with not one but two authors this year! Mrs. Michele Jakubowski and Ms. Susan Sternkopf are helping our students to deepen their understanding of the writing process and produce quality work.

Parents, I want to share Mrs. Jakubowski's schedule on January 30th with you. You are welcome to join the student sessions and/or attend an informal meet and greet with Michele herself.

Time	Grades	Location
8:00-9:00 a.m.	4K-2nd	Library
9:15-10:15 a.m.	5th & 6th	Library
12:00-12:30 p.m.	Meet & Greet with Parents	Conference Room
12:35-1:35 p.m.	3rd & 4th	Library

Thank you to PBC for sponsoring this wonderful event. Custom T-shirts will be provided to the "stars" (participating student authors). Please see the permission form and after-school writing workshop schedule attached to this week's WAVE.

### MOTHER/SON NIGHT

I finally found a copy of the story that I wanted to read last year. It is an old favorite in my family. So, mothers and sons please come on Friday, January 27th, from 6:00- 8:00 p.m. for a fun evening of games, pizzas, and memories. We will kick off the evening in the commons (Door G). The RSVP form is also attached to this week's WAVE.

## YEARBOOK NEWS

Some of you pre-ordered a yearbook with your school photos through Empire. We will have a list in the office if you want to double check your status. Empire will also be providing additional opportunities to order yearbooks in the weeks ahead. Most importantly are the yearbook photos! Empire is capturing some of our bigger events this year like holiday concerts and PBC events. However, we can always use more photos to make our yearbook memorable.

**Got a great photo?  
Enter it for consideration into your  
2016-17 yearbook!**

Go to this link to load your images:  
<http://lpx.me/GVYE-WHCU-GME3/>

To upload, simply hit "add images" in the upper right of the screen. It is helpful if you first navigate to the folder of the grade of the student(s) featured in the photos, and then "add images." If you're loading many images from one event, please create a "New Directory" and name it the name of the event. Then enter that photo and "add images."

Questions? Contact Jennifer at:  
[schoolpics@empirephotos.com](mailto:schoolpics@empirephotos.com) or call  
608-257-2941

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Join our school community for a special screening of SCREENAGERS: Growing Up in the Digital Age...

<b>WHERE</b>	North Lake School's MPR (Door A)
<b>WHEN</b>	Tuesday, February 7, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
<b>WHO</b>	All adults and students age 10 and up
<b>COST</b>	Free event with free-will offering to our G9 Penny Wars



## A Note from Ms. Meister . . .

It may be hard to believe, but we are at the halfway point of the school year. 2nd quarter ended this week. There is excitement surrounding the work that has been done and the progress students have made. It is a time to measure and evaluate this progress with mid-year assessments. Mid-year is a good time for teachers, students and families to gather more information and reflect on the progress made while there is still plenty of time left in the school year.

Your child may be talking about PALS, i-Ready, or semester exams. These assessments are teaching tools. They provide valuable data for measuring student progress, identifying needs and planning for instruction.

Family support is a significant factor in student success. Report cards and results from these assessments also provide students and their families with detailed information about school performance. Report cards will be distributed next week. Parent-teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, February 16th, from noon until 8pm.

As always, if you have questions or concerns, talk with your child's teachers and please feel free to contact me at school. Stop by my office Room 133C, call: 966-2033 Ext. 134, or email: [meinan@northlakeschool.org](mailto:meinan@northlakeschool.org).

## Counseling Corner

Hello North Lake families!

I hope that you are saving the date for our screening of Screenagers on February 7th. This is an excellent opportunity for parents of older students to watch together and start some conversations about the importance of technology and the importance of boundaries surrounding technology. For parents of younger students, you will get some guidance and support for setting those boundaries early.

In thinking about this popular topic, I wanted to share a resource with you that is my go-to-place for questions and advice about media, technology, apps, movies, and so much more. The site is called Common Sense media. Here is the link: [www.commonsensemedia.org/](http://www.commonsensemedia.org/). I hope that you will find as much value in this as I do!

As always, please let me know if there are any ways that I can support your child!

Take care-

Jill Lesch

# JANUARY/FEBRUARY DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 20 No School for Students
  
- 23 Author, Susan Sternkopf, Writing Workshop with 2nd Grade (Week of Jan. 23rd)  
 Mother/Son Game Night Reservations Due  
 Ski Trip Forms Due  
 Bricks 4 Kidz 2:35-3:35 p.m. Room 201  
Boys Basketball  
 6th: North Shore Green at North lake 4:30  
 7th: North Shore Green at North Lake Teal 5:30  
 7th: North Lake Black at Merton Blue 5:30  
 8th: Swallow Black at North Lake 6:30
  
- 24 Literacy Lights the Night Writing Workshop  
 2:30-3:15 p.m. Library  
Boys Basketball  
 5th: Lake Country Blue at North Lake 4:30  
 6th: Lake Country Blue at North Lake 5:30
  
- 25 Gr. 4-8 Ski Trip to Little Switzerland 3:15-9:00 p.m.  
Boys Basketball  
 7th: Swallow Black at North Lake Teal 4:30  
 8th: Richmond Purple at North Lake 5:30
  
- 26 Staff Meeting (No after-school learning lab)  
Boys Basketball  
 5th: North Shore White at North Lake 4:30  
 7th: Lake Country Blue at North Lake Black 5:30
  
- 27 "A" Friday  
 Report Cards Sent Home with Students Gr. 1-8  
 Mother-Son Game Night 6:00-8:00 p.m.
  
- 30 Gr. K-6 Author Visit, Michele Jakubowski  
 Bricks 4 Kidz 2:35-3:35 p.m. Room 201  
Boys Basketball  
 5th: North Lake at Merton White 4:30  
 7th: Merton White at North Shore Black 4:30  
 7th: North Lake Teal at Richmond White 4:30  
 8th: Lake Country Blue at North Lake 5:30
  
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 5th: Merton Blue at North Lake 4:30  
 6th: Merton Blue at North Lake 5:30
  
- Feb. 1 Boys Basketball  
 7th: North Shore Green at North Lake Black 4:30  
 7th: North Lake Teal at North Shore Black 4:30  
 8th: North Shore Black at North Lake 5:30
  
- 2 Boys Basketball  
 6th: North Lake at Friess Lake 4:30  
 7th: North Lake Teal at Merton White 5:30
  
- 3 "B" Friday

## WRITING WORKSHOPS FOR LITERACY LIGHTS THE NIGHT



As in the past, we will host four Tuesdays in the Learning Lab (Library) for students grades K-8 to come and receive assistance on their pieces. Writers can be anywhere in the process (generating ideas, rough drafting, editing/revising, or final copying). Teachers will work with them to prepare for February 23rd.

The Writing Workshops will be from 2:30-3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, January 24 and 31, February 7 and 14.

Please refer to the flyer being sent with the *Wave* for details on "Literacy Lights the Night."

**READ PLEASE**



### Attention 8th Grade Parents

We need your child's baby photo for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation video and yearbook. Please drop off photo in the office no later than Feb. 7th.

