

# Lion Leader Press

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## Testing Season Comes with Spring

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### COMING UP

**Happening In April:**  
Apr 3<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
Field Trip & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Choir  
Apr 5<sup>th</sup> KDG Musical  
Apr 6<sup>th</sup> Testing  
Assembly  
Apr 12<sup>th</sup> Early Release  
Apr 13<sup>th</sup> No School  
Apr 26<sup>th</sup> Career Day  
Apr 27<sup>th</sup> KDG Field  
Trip

April is the month of MAP testing (Missouri Assessment Program) which measures what you know at the end of the school year. The 1st and 2nd grade students used to take Terra Nova Testing but it has been replaced with the NWEA testing done throughout the year.

In addition to the NWEA, third-fifth graders will also take the MAP test. MAP testing starts on April 16th. How do the test dates get picked? One guideline has to do with how school results are compared with each other. The schools have to agree on the dates so when they compare the data it will have even and fair results.

Try to remember that the test is like any other test throughout the year. It's important to do your best but you don't have to be so scarred. The school puts together an assembly about how you can do your best but here are some good ideas:

- Try to review what you have learned through the year/study
- Get good sleep before the test- go to bed early!!
- Read and listen carefully to instructions & the directions
- Relax take deep breaths- if you feel you're stuck say, "I can do it!" or positive words like that.
- Get a good healthy breakfast ex. banana, yogurt, apple...ect.
- Stay organized and on task
- Pay close attention during class
- Wear clothes that are comfortable

(By: Abby Foster, Lily Moore & Meklit Seme)



### Habits at School: Sharpen the Saw (by Laurel Barton & Lauren Criswell)

This month the habit is Sharpen the Saw. Sharpen The Saw means to balance yourself. One way you can balance yourself is eating healthy. Some healthy things to eat are vegetables such as carrots, tomatoes, or celery. A 2nd way to sharpen the saw is exercising. Some ways you can exercise are going on a walk, run on a trail, ride your bike, and playing outside. Another way to sharpen the saw is getting a good amount of sleep. One way to do this is go to bed early. Another way is don't get on your electronics at night. Lastly you need to do something that will help your mind. If you do something to help your mind then you are helping your body calm down. One way you can help your mind is reading. We asked Ali and Mrs. Max what sharpen the saw means to them and how to sharpen the saw

Ali said: I sharpen the by doing sit ups every night and running.

Mrs. Max said: Sharpening the saw is exercising and doing your habits.



# Keep the Earth Clean

By Monica Heuermann and Tsedeniya Seme



Earth day is April, 22<sup>nd</sup>! One thing you should do to keep the earth clean is to not litter. You shouldn't litter because you could get hurt, by tripping over trash. Some people leave trash on the ground and it usually ends up in the ocean. Sea turtles think that the bags in the ocean are jellyfish and usually die because of it.

Some people leave trash at the pool. Birds could mistake them for food and will get sick. You can make the world clean by picking up your trash and by not littering. Keep the earth clean!

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## A Visit to the Ronald McDonald House

During the last weekend in March, the some members of the Lighthouse T to the RMHC (The Ronald McDonald House Charities). The Ronald McDonald provides exceptional care for families with sick kids in the hospital even if it's tl of miles away with little or no cost at all. The RMHC are all around the world. T Ronald McDonald houses in downtown Missouri. One is in Children's Mercy, at other three are all around each other but still in downtown Kansas City.

The Lighthouse Team was able to make breakfast for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House. They made a yummy breakfast of hash brown, eggs and sausage casserole with breakfast donations from Line Creek staff that included fruit, muffins, donuts, and juice.

To make the trip complete, RMHC received the blankets tied by many Line Creek students last month. Thank you to all who helped make them and remember, keep saving your pop tabs!!





Did you know that April Fool's Day goes back about 500 years? Wow! Some people connect the holiday to Hilaria, a late-March end-of-winter celebration in Ancient Rome. People would dress up in costumes or disguises. Others think it is a throw back to the tricky weather that comes with the start of spring. As time went on people began playing pranks on each other.

Here are some pranks you can play:

- Put googly eyes on everything in the refrigerator. When someone opens the refrigerator, many eyes will be looking at them!
- Wake up late at night and put tissue paper in someone's shoes. When they try to put their shoes on they will think they grew!
- Write something weird on the end of a toilet paper roll. When someone uses the restroom they will get to read the message!
- Block a mouse sensor with a piece of paper and some tape.
- Why isn't my body wash coming out? Plastic wrap, that's why!

## Elephant Toothpaste



You will need:

- ✓ Close adult supervision
- ✓ Safety goggles
- ✓ Dry Active Yeast
- ✓ Warm Water
- ✓ 6% (20 volume) Hydrogen Peroxide \*
- ✓ Dawn Dish Soap (Do not use antibacterial versions of soap as Triclosan-ingredient in antibacterial soap- should not be involved in this reaction)
- ✓ Funnel
- ✓ Narrow-necked bottle (sized around 15 ounces)
- ✓ Food Coloring (optional)
- ✓ Glitter (optional)
- ✓ 6% (20 volume) Hydrogen Peroxide

Measure 1 teaspoon of yeast into 2 Tablespoons of very warm water. Mix well.

Into your narrow-necked bottle, add 1/2 cup of Hydrogen Peroxide (I recommend an adult does this step for safety), any coloring you would like, glitter (if you'd like), and a few squirts of Dawn Dish Soap.

Swirl it all carefully (this is another job I'd recommend an adult do for safety).

Place your bottle in a container to catch the mountain of foam then add the yeast mixture through a funnel.

