

Lamar Elementary PTO
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I AM THANKFUL BECAUSE...

What is it that makes a person thankful and why is it that we often only acknowledge our appreciate for what is important in our lives around the holidays? While it's true that we shouldn't only be thankful at the end of the year, it's actually a very good time to talk to your children about the concept and why it is so important.

STUDENTS DO BEST WHEN PARENTS AND TEACHERS WORK TOGETHER AS PARTNERS.

Talking with your child about school is a simple but key first step. Find out about his likes and dislikes at school, what comes easy and what doesn't, things that make him uncomfortable or stressed. The more specific your questions, the more likely you are to get a real answer.

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November Calendar

monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday
	1	2 Early Release	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17 Fall Festival	18
21	22	23	24	25
Thanksgiving Holiday				
28	29	30		

The Christmas Store

December 6th & 8th

Please Contact the PTO If you would like to volunteer .

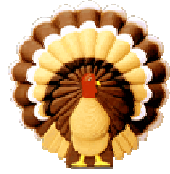


WAYS YOU CAN HELP

Meeting and communicating with the teacher is important, too. Students do best when parents and teachers work together as partners. Let the teacher know about anything that may affect your child's performance: strengths and weaknesses, learning style, study habits, special interests, family issues, personality traits, or behavior concerns. The teacher is an expert when it comes to education, but no one knows more about your child than you.

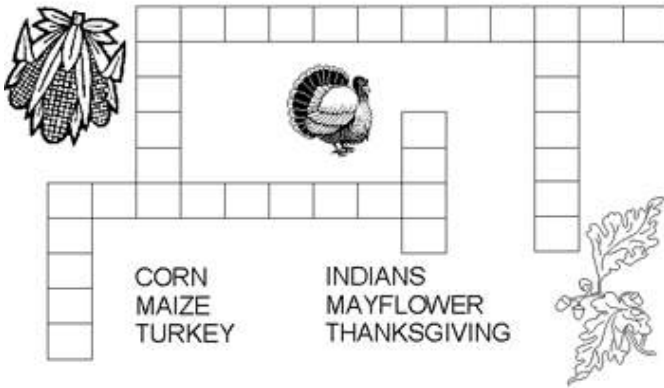
Another simple thing you can do is to attend school events. That encourages your family child to see school as an integral part of your family life, and that's an important connection.

A great way to learn more about your school, get connected with parents, and get involved is to join the parent teacher organization. Parent groups play an important role in building the kind of supportive school environment where teachers and students alike can do their best work. The parent group can be a terrific source of information about your school and community, too.



Thanksgiving Crossword

Fit all the words into this puzzle below



Many thanks to the parents, teachers, volunteers and outstanding 5th Grade students for making our trip to Camp Goddard an exciting and memorable experience.



WASH YOUR HANDS!



Kids don't always listen when you tell them to wash their hands before eating, after using the bathroom, or when they come inside from playing. But it's a message worth repeating — hand washing is by far the best way to prevent germs from spreading and to keep your kids from getting sick.

Good hand washing is the first line of defense against the spread of many illnesses, from the common cold to more serious illnesses such as meningitis, bronchiolitis, influenza, hepatitis A, and most types of infectious diarrhea.



**Come Join us for the Lamar Fall Festival
November 17th from 5:30 to 7:30!**

- We have a fun filled evening planned, you and your family won't want to miss!
- Games, prizes and lots of laughs!
- We will also have vendors set up so you can do some shopping while the kids are having fun.
- Snacks will be on sale in the cafeteria.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Get Updates Online

You can keep in touch with Lamar PTO Online at <http://lamarpto.weebly.com>

And while you are there... enter your email address to receive updates delivered to your email box.

