Music
with Mrs. King

The music classes have jumped right in to 2018 with new and fun lessons. The Kindergarten and 1st grade are learning about rhythms using the artwork of a famous artist named Piet Mondrian. Ask your student what colors we are using and how they sound. 2nd grade is learning about instruments in the percussion family and have learned to sing in a round. Are YOU sleeping?

3rd graders have played their recorders! Yea!! They are also learning about singing in a round and playing an ostinato. 4th and 5th grades are learning about different types of ostinato and partner songs. Am I the Fly or Sandy Land? What IS flashing with silver? Ask your student for answers to these questions. They will need recorders soon, too.

The Chorus will begin rehearsing in a few weeks. Look for a letter to come home soon with a concert date and permission slip. Any student in grades 3-5 may join the Chorus!

The Elementary Schools in the Catoctin feeder system are giving a Feeder School Concert. This concert is on April 12. All students in grades 3-5 will be taught the songs we will sing at this concert during regular music class times. Save the date and be ready to sing! Look for more details in Find Out First and a parent letter coming home before the concert.

Art
with Ms. Forrest

Hello everyone! Let me begin by saying that I am truly grateful to have had the opportunity to join the LES community and am looking forward to this experience! I feel very lucky to be able to interact with such a wonderful staff and group of students!

A few things about me... I received my BA in Fine Arts from Mount St. Mary’s University and just completed my Masters of Arts in Teaching with a concentration in Art Education in December.

I have seen some great artwork and a lot of talent in my little time here at LES! The students have just completed their projects for the Art 2 Remember Fundraiser. Order forms will be distributed shortly so be on the lookout for those!

In addition, FCPS Youth Art Month is in full swing and three of our students will have their artwork displayed at the Delaplaine throughout the month of March. Austin Droneburg (K), Korbin Burke (2), and Rachel Herbst are representing Lewistown proudly! I definitely recommend attending the show if you have the opportunity!
Physical Education

with Mrs. Burgess

Physical Education has been exciting this winter! We have opened up the Rock Wall and students have challenged themselves to climb routes by spelling out words or following a Nutrition Trail! Gymnastics was a hit with some awesome student created routines and with Jump Rope for Heart just around the corner, our “LEWISTOWN IDOL” Jump Rope Skills competition is in full swing (no pun intended!!)

I look forward to a huge Tiger Turn Out on Friday, March 9th for Jump Rope for Heart!

Media Center

with Mrs. Byard

Media Resources

Students are learning about the many resources that are available to students at home and at school. The resources are located on the media center home page. There are a variety of resources from ebooks to encyclopedia and reference materials. Two new ones that have been added this year are FactCite and Tales2go. Tales2go is brand new. Students have been learning how to use it at school, and will be bringing information home soon explaining how to use Tales2go at home!

MD Black-Eyed Susan Picture Book Award Program- Grades K-5

Students in grades K-5 are continuing to read the MD Black-Eyed Susan Picture Book nominees. There are a total of 15 nominees in all. After reading, students record their opinion on their reading log. They will then use this reading log to help them choose their favorite when it is time to vote in April. There is a nice variety of books on the list this year. So far we've read the books Land Shark, Mother Bruce, and Best Frints in the Whole Universe. Ask your child which one is their favorite so far!

MD Black-Eyed Susan Chapter Book Award Program- Grades 4-5

Students in grades 4 and 5 have the option of participating in the MD Black-Eyed Susan Chapter Book Program for students in grades 4-6. Students can choose to participate by reading the chapter books independently. There are 10 nominees in this category. After the students read the chapter books, they rate the book on their reading log and take a 5 question quiz. We have many students participating, and they are enjoying this year's nominees. The goal is that they read 8 out of the 10 nominees. Those students that read at least eight will be invited to a special celebration.

Technology in the Media Center

We've been doing a variety of activities related to technology in the media center. Students have been using the Chromebooks to practice their coding skills, utilize the many resources that are available on the media center home page, and enjoy ebooks using Capstone and/or AXIS 360. They are also learning how to build their listening vocabulary by listening to audiobooks and visualizing what they hear.