

***Lafayette Regional School Board
Principal's Report
December 14th, 2023***

1. On Monday, Nov. 13th we were honored to have 12 Veteran's attend our Veteran's Day Celebration. The Band played 2 patriotic songs and the chorus sang a song as well. In addition, several students were able to read their special veteran's day messages. The Veteran's were able to stay and enjoy coffee and muffins that we provided for them. So many of the Veteran's let me know how much it meant to them, so we will be sure to continue this tradition in the future.
2. On Saturday, November 18th 2 teams of 6th graders totaling 14 students traveled to Lebanon to participate in the First Lego League Regional Competition. The competition consisted of a robot challenge and a project presentation. One of the teams did their project on hiking safe and the other team did a project on travel immersion. Both teams made it on to the state competition and one team even won a special "core values" award. The state competition was on December 2nd in Windham, NH. Our teams did an amazing job once again with one team placing 15th and the other 25th over-all out of 44 teams from across the state. I would like to thank Aaron Goldman and Shelley Koehler for their time and effort in making our program so strong here at Lafayette School.
3. On Tuesday, Nov. 21st, Mrs. Correira's first graders and Mrs. Burton's second graders went to the Lafayette Center nursing home to create "Thankful Pumpkins" with the residents. It was such a lovely experience for all that they are going to make it a monthly get together.
4. On Monday, Dec. 4th, the PTO sponsored an assembly for students by Showboat Entertainment Basketball. It is Harlem Globetrotter Triksters who entertain with basketball tricks while also teaching students about having a growth mindset, the importance of working hard to achieve a goal and being kind to others.
5. The Holiday concert was held on Thursday, Dec. 7th at 6:00. Every grade K-6 performed a song and the band and chorus also performed a few numbers. The whole school sang a song called "Rock and Roll Snowman". It was a wonderful performance and I would like to thank Min Song, our music teacher for her dedication and hard work to making this concert so fabulous.
6. I have been talking with the staff at our team meetings about how they would like to see evaluations carried out. I want them to be valuable to staff and not just something that gets checked off a list.. Teachers have expressed that they would

like me in the classrooms, often so that I can base my feedback to them on lots of data. Based on this information, I have created a schedule for myself to go into each classroom once a week at a different time of the day. My goal is for it to not seem strange to the students or the teacher when I am in there. After I visit each classroom I come back and write down my observations so that when it comes time for me to do a formal evaluation I will have plenty of information to share with teachers. My hope is that the evaluations will be my feedback, but also a conversation with the teachers about what is working for them and what they would like support with. Together, we can brainstorm how to create the best programming for our students as possible

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Kopp

Principal