



École Saint-Landry

# Le journal des lions

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## Happy New Year!

2022 was a bit stubborn starting off, especially with so many of our students and staff out with Covid or due to Covid contact quarantines. We're happy to announce that we're back in full swing with over 90% of our school back, and it looks like we're in the clear for a good while now. We will continue weekly Covid testing and taking all necessary measures to protect your students and our staff.

And what an exciting year for us to spend with your children! We'll be celebrating our 100 days of school (in French!) on February 7th, which is a big deal because, though we might celebrate 100 days every year, this is the only time we'll celebrate the first 100 days of École Saint-Landry in operation. We've gotten so much positive feedback from you parents, and we see the progress our students are making every day. How about another big shout-out to Madame Lindsay and all her hard work to get us to this point?

## Covid Testing

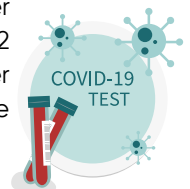
Some of you have asked, and it's not too late to sign your child(-ren) up for weekly Covid testing at school. You can do so by [following this link](#).

It is a very accurate, but very gentle test. The nurses only swab around the nostril entrance; they don't push the swab far up the nose and it therefore isn't scary or painful to the students. If you are concerned, please [watch this video of Kindergartener Amelia getting tested at school](#). \*

You may [refer to this letter](#) for more information.

Remember, you get paid \$25 for the first test and \$10 for every test after that until the end of the 2021-2022 school year. However, if you register after February 11, you will not be eligible for any incentive payments.

\*Video shared with parent permission.



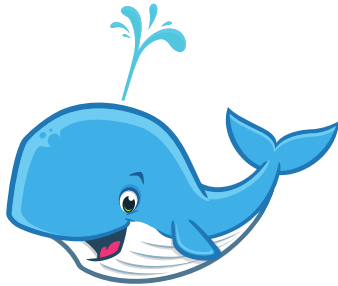


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## Blubber!

It's a fun word to say, and it's even more fun as a subject for an ELA lesson! Mrs. Connie wheeled two buckets of ice water into each of her classes on a cold day this month.



Nico demonstrates the lesson Mrs. Connie taught to M. Anthony's Kindergarten class about how whales stay warm thanks to their blubber.

To mimic how a whale stays warm in the depths of the ocean, she had prepared a plastic baggie of shortening with another plastic bag stuffed into it, creating a protective layer of fat. Each child got to try on the glove and stick the protected hand and their other, naked hand into the buckets of ice water.

## February is Black History Month

A special note from Madame Lindsay

As most of you know, February is Black History month in the United States. In my morning video announcements to our students, I will be sharing biographies of not only notable Black Americans but also notable Black French-speakers around the world. I'll also be highlighting the achievements of Black residents of St. Landry Parish, such as Amedé Ardoin, Rebecca Henry, Devery Henderson, and Clifton Chenier. Though I've lived in Sunset for nearly six years, I'm not from St. Landry Parish originally, so if you'd like to nominate a notable SLP resident (past or present), please email me their name and notable achievement to [lsmythe@ecolestlandry.org](mailto:lsmythe@ecolestlandry.org).



**Notice: We are looking for a Lion of the Week sash that has gone missing. If you have it at home, please let us know and return it to school as soon as possible. We've now gone three weeks without choosing new Lions.**





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## Green Take-Home Folders

We can not stress enough the importance of checking your student's take home folder every day. Know we strive to give minimal homework because of the young age of our students, but these short exercises help your child in their learning process. As you can imagine, students who go several days without doing their homework fall behind in class and have more trouble meeting class objectives and grade appropriate standards. Please be mindful that if your child does not meet the standards, he or she can not progress to the next grade.

In addition to homework, we often add important documents that are time sensitive. Recently, we sent home a permission slip that would allow students to participate in a new PE class we're offering on Wednesdays. Several students still don't have permission to participate, so they're having to watch from the sidelines.



## Les événements du mois de février

**Mardi Gras Break**  
February 28th - March 3rd  
(we return March 4th)



## Les mots doux de la semaine

I love the small class sizes and knowing that my child is getting a head start on a valuable skill. She's French on her father's side, and learning French from a young age will connect her to her heritage. She was scared to start a new school, but she has made lots of new friends and we love her new teachers.

--Tara R.

Share your child's feedback by sending an email to us at [info@ecolestlandry.org](mailto:info@ecolestlandry.org).

## Registration for new students is now open

Applications are now open for the 2022-2023 school year. We're looking for 60 new kinder students and about 10 first grade students. You do not need to re-register current students, but don't forget to register younger siblings entering kindergarten, as sibling priority is only in effect until February 28. After that, all applicants are accepted in the order he/she applied.

Don't forget to spread the word to your friends and family!



## Les anniversaires du mois de février

Jaxon Robin samedi le 12 février  
Emilie Richard samedi le 12 février  
Mrs. Connie dimanche le 13 février  
Francis Davis jeudi le 17 février

et un demi-anniversaire pour Natalie Tureau le 1er février (le 1er août) !

