

Lincoln Elementary School Newsletter

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Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

Thank you to the Lincoln PTO for an excellent PTO Auction! We appreciate all of the support and work from the PTO, volunteers, and families for making this a successful event! Thank you also to our PTO for a delicious Donuts for Dads event! It was great to see several dads enjoying this event with their children.

We are looking forward to our drama club show on April 8th at 6:00 p.m. Thank you to the students, staff, and volunteers who have worked on this play!

Our school field trip is Wednesday, April 13th to the National Zoo. Each child will need a bag lunch and a backpack. Please have your child wear comfortable sneakers for this trip. A reminder that the kindergarten students will be dismissed at 2:35 on April 13.

I encourage each child to participate in the Keep Loudoun Beautiful poster and essay contest. The papers were sent home with each child last Friday. This contest is optional and I look forward to seeing the entries!

Please call me at (540) 751-2430 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dave Michener
Principal

Upcoming Events

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| 4/1 | Special Permission Online Process Opened |
| 4/5 | Wildlife Club 2:40 p.m. |
| 4/6 | PTO Meeting 6:30 p.m. |
| 4/7 | School Panoramic Picture |
| 4/7 | Drama Club Rehearsal 2:45 p.m. K-5 10:00 a.m. |
| 4/8 | Lincoln Pride Day Wear Green and Yellow |
| 4/8 | Kindergarten Students Buying Lunch |
| 4/8 | Early Bird Deadline for Ordering Yearbooks \$20.00 |
| 4/8 | Drama Club 2:45 p.m. and Evening Show at 6:00 p.m. |
| 4/11 | Tennis Club 2:45 p.m. |
| 4/12 | Wildlife Club 2:40 p.m. |
| 4/13 | School Field Trip to the National Zoo K-5 8:20-2:00 |
| 4/14 | Marking Period Ends |
| 4/15 | Teacher Work Day |
| 4/18 | Tennis Club 2:45 p.m. |
| 4/19 | Wildlife Club 2:40 p.m. |
| 4/21 | Bill Wellington Music Assembly K-5 9:00 a.m. |
| 4/21 | Domino's Night |
| 4/22 | Earth Day 12:15-2:25 |
| 4/25 | Keep Loudoun Beautiful Essay and Poster Due to Mr. Michener |
| 4/25 | Tennis Club 2:45 p.m. |
| 4/26 | Wildlife Club 2:40 p.m. |
| 4/27 | Report Cards Sent Home |
| 4/29 | Spirit Day Fancy Dress Day |
| 5/3 | Musical 7:00 p.m. |
| 5/6 | Muffins for Moms 7:20-7:50 |

PTO News

APRIL'S PTO Update

After School Update:

- After school Drama Show, "The Most Epic Birthday Party Ever" will be presented, Friday April 8th at 6:00pm. Come see our children who have worked so hard with Mrs. Stetz and Mrs. Allen to bring you a wonderful production. Set design and epic tree house all made lovingly by hand by our very own parents and staff.
- After school Tennis Club - new to Lincoln. Starts April 11 and meets for 6 weeks. Time to put our tennis court back to use with Coach Korey teaching our young leopards.
- Wild Bunch begins April 12th.

Talent Show date has been announced for Friday, May 20th. Show us your talent Leopards!

Lincoln Pride Day: Friday, April 8th

Spirit Day: Friday, April 29th

Teacher Appreciation Lunch - 3rd grade will be treating our staff in April.

Landscaping Update: The Lincoln Girl Scout Troop did a wonderful job cleaning and clearing out the flower beds out by the front sign. They worked hard and accomplished the task at hand. They donated 22 new perennials and planted them with love. They hope to add about 6 more plants and then mulch the flower bed. Two girls were able to repaint the address sign so it looks fresh and tidy, and we hope to be able to replace the front school sign with a newer version soon. More landscaping surprises coming your way!

Yearbook Update: Don't miss out on all the great memories from this school year! Yearbooks are on sale now. You can order online at ybpay.lifetouch.com and reference school code 12346216 or send in the form with payment to the school. Order by April 8th and save \$5. Deadline to order is April 15th. Yearbook Personal Notes are due by April 8th.

- Did you take any great pictures this year while attending a school function or field trip? Please consider sharing them for the yearbook. Pictures can be submitted to Deanne Iverson at twoiversons@verizon.net. **Please submit by April 15th.**

Domino's Dough Raising Night: Thursday Night, April 21st

BOX TOPS earned \$319.60 for the second submission. Box Top Winners: K - Harper Ostrander 59, 1st - Evan Leiden 54, 2nd - Joanna Ring 55, 3rd - Emily O'Brien 119, 4th - Shea Wynn 175, 5th - Riley Wakefield 72.

Our Annual Auction was a success and a fun night was had by all at the Barns at Hamilton Station. Beautiful baskets and class art were on display and won by the highest bidders. The venue was lovely, the auctioneer was outstanding and the food was delicious. Thank you to the many folks that donated and volunteers who made the night possible. With everyone's help, we raised around \$9,000.00!

Read-A-Thon is a wrap and we raised right around \$5,000, which was only 50% of our goal, but it's a start. The top 5 earners raised over 40% of the total monies raised!

Muffins for Mom: Calling all our wonderful Moms who do so much for each us. Muffins for Mom will be held at school Friday, May 6 at 7:30am

Next Year's PTO: Nominations for next year's PTO will be out shortly. Please consider if you would like to volunteer in a formal or informal way. We love all volunteers and there is plenty of work to go around!

Sincerely,
Liz Little
PTO Secretary
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Mrs. Fuller
Art News

First grade artists are creating abstract art and color mixing their own secondary colors. Second grade artists are creating Chinese New Year dragon drawings and are working on Native American ceremonial masks. Third grade artists are learning about Arbor Day and creating posters for the annual Arbor Day poster contest sponsored by the Loudoun Soil and Water Conservation district. Fourth grade artists are designing posters for Keep Loudoun Beautiful. Fifth grade artists are drawing animals "up close" in oil pastel and making castles out of clay. We are getting ready to display 5th grade art at the LVHS Art Show on April 9th. I am holding onto all of their artwork right now. An invitation will come home the week of the art show.

P.E.
Coach Harris

March is over and Lincoln students have been extremely active in PE. Activities included dynamic warm ups, bowling, gymnastics, and handball. Fourth and fifth grade students are beginning spring fitness testing. Field Day is June 9th. Volunteer information will be coming soon. Please make sure students are dressed properly for P.E.

Library
Mrs. Dillon

April is National Poetry Month, so we will be sharing some poetry in the library and encouraging kids to memorize poems to recite over the announcements. We will continue our environmental reading incentive for the month of April in cooperation with The Nature Generation (www.NatGen.org). Students who read and submit reviews or video trailers for environmental books will have a chance to win a Kindle Fire. Students may pick up blank review forms in the library. We will also be having a Scholastic book fair during the first week in May.

Music
Mrs. Stetz

March flew by quickly in the music classroom! The 1st and 2nd graders started working on their musical, *EIEIOops*, which will be presented on Tuesday, May 3. The 3rd graders were learning about jazz and improvisation. The 4th grade students focused solely on playing the recorder while 5th graders continued learning new notes on the recorder as well as reviewing orchestra families and instruments. In April, grades 1

and 2 will continue working on their musical. In addition, the 1st graders will read and play rhythms that include quarter notes, beamed eighth notes and the NEW quarter rest. The 2nd graders will do a unit on movement and dance while the 3rd graders focus on canons and solfege syllables (do re mi so and la). The 4th and 5th graders will continue recorder playing in addition to studying time signatures, rhythms and writing complete measures.

April Birthdays

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| 1 | Sawyer Colio | | 24 | Jack Tayloe |
| 2 | Bryna Sheehan | | 24 | Sofia Ocasio |
| 4 | Lauren Compton | | 24 | Emily Ackman |
| 4 | Sarah Pape | | 25 | Anna Orenzuk |
| 5 | Caitlin Mitchell | | 27 | Cyrus Dybwad |
| 16 | Jackson Lush | | 27 | William McFadden |
| 20 | Josiah Hunter | | 28 | Riley Bloom |
| 23 | Bryden Reiter | | 30 | Mrs. Allen |

Guidance - Mrs. Walton

“Character is doing the right thing when nobody’s looking.” – J.C. Watts

Our character word of the month for March has been integrity. Here are some things that were shared with the students during class and guidance lessons to help them understand what it means to be a citizen with integrity.

Integrity means...

- You do what you say you are going to do
- Your “yes” means yes and your “no” means no

What does integrity look like:

- Keeping your commitments
- Telling the truth
- Taking a stand for what’s right – even when it’s not popular
- Doing your best in whatever you do
- Doing what’s right even when no one is looking

Thank you to these students who were selected Student of the Month for March for showing integrity.

Kindergarten – Riley Bloom and Tripton Kestler

1st Grade – Britta Gustavson and Arleigh Hill

2nd Grade – Ethan Ballinger and Andrew Mazzara

3rd Grade – Marissa Davis and Cyrus Dybwad

4th Grade – Lauren Creese and Jackson Lush

5th Grade – Ainsley Cates and Justin Moravek

Looking ahead to April, our character word will be trustworthiness.

MSACC Seeks Delegates

The Loudoun County School Board is seeking one parent delegate from each school for the Minority Student Achievement Advisory Committee (MSAAC). The next meeting is scheduled for April 20 at 7:00 p.m. at the LCPS administration building. For information about how to become a delegate from your school, call the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Instruction at 571- 252-1300 or the Office of Instructional Services at 571-252-1060.