Dear Parents,

Thank you to the Lincoln families and the Lincoln PTO for an amazing school year! It was special to celebrate spring with our Talent Show the other week and thank you to Mrs. Allen for organizing all of the outstanding acts. Please see the calendar below for important dates for the rest of the school year. I want to wish each Lincoln student, family, and staff member a safe and relaxing summer break. The summer is a wonderful time to play outdoors and to enjoy reading books and playing games. I encourage each Lincoln family to sign up for the Purcellville library summer reading program. Lincoln elementary students have won a trophy for the school twice in the past five years by having the highest percentage of student readers! I hope we will win a third trophy this summer! During the summer, the Lincoln front office will be open from 7:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. each week day.

Our Field Day will be held on Friday, June 10. Thank you to Mrs. Clark and the Lincoln PTO for their work and support for this event! There will be some water activities, so students are encouraged to wear clothes that will get wet. Thank you to the Lincoln PTO for providing pizza and popsicles for this event!

Thank you to third, fourth, and fifth grade families and students for their efforts during our SOL testing. I am proud of the work that each student completed on each of their assessments. Families may call me if they have a question about their child’s results. The results will be posted in Parent Vue.

We are looking forward to celebrating our fifth grade students on Wednesday, June 15 at 9:30 a.m.! Fifth grade parents and guests are invited to attend this special program. If you have any questions, please call me at (540) 751-2430 or email me at Dave.Michener@lcps.org.

Sincerely,
Dave Michener

Calendar

June 8 Fifth Grade Field Trip to Blue Ridge 9:15-11:15 a.m.
PTO News

Here is what’s HOT this month for the Lincoln PTO! For more information and access to all things PTO please reach out to one of your officers directly or click the link below to access PTBoard: [https://lincoln.ptboard.com](https://lincoln.ptboard.com)

We cannot thank each of you enough for your dedication to Lincoln Elementary and the PTO. This year was full of many firsts for K-2 families and a fun transition back to normalcy for others including Earth Day, Bingo, Field Day and more! We will truly miss those families moving on and we hope to see you again at our various Spirit Socials and community events. We are so very appreciative of the 2021-2022 PTO board and wish our 5th grade parents who were on the board, Erica Scott, Christi Porter, and Harriet Wegmeyer the best as their children graduate from Lincoln.

If you want a final take away of our year, please check out the spring school picture, Mrs. Porter took. They are available through this week. [School Spring Picture](#)

Please give a warm welcome to next year's board, we couldn't do it without them. There will still be a need for Room Parents, a yearbook committee and several other volunteer opportunities in the fall so please consider joining us.

Board Members:
- President: Krista Ramey
- Vice President: Julie Reiter
- Secretary: Melanie Pawluk
- VP Fundraising: Tiffany Fleming Woodcheke
- Treasurer: Chelsea Pinkston
- Volunteer Coordinator: Jen Hergenroeder

Coordinators:
- LCL Coordinator: Sara Brown
- PR and Social Media Coordinator: Megan Calvert
- Teacher/staff Liaison: Julie Reiter
- Spirit Wear Coordinator: Carrie Heel and Lori Whitaker
- After School Coordinator: Carrie Heel and Lori Whitaker
Please send a BIG THANK YOU to Coach Christian Waters who so kindly donated the proceeds from the LES after school basketball camp towards a much needed adjustable basketball hoop so everyone can finally enjoy the court. Truly, what a kind and generous gift! If you didn't know, Lincoln Elementary School gives a scholarship every year. This year, Jacob Erdman is our scholarship recipient. He will have $500 towards JMU! Congratulations Jacob!

To show how proud we are of everyone, the PTO can't wait to surprise the kids with a blow up obstacle course and pizza on field day. Field Day is on Friday, June 10th and will be all day. Please feel free to volunteer here: Field Day Volunteer. And, we will end the year with a Kona Ice Truck!!!! Lincoln Leopards ROCK!

We are already brainstorming for fun, new fundraising ideas for next year (along with some of the classics!) and would love your ideas. Please reach out to Tiffany Woodcheke (woodcheke@gmail.com) if there was a fundraiser or event at your old school/clubs that worked well or you’d love to see again. So far with your help we’re looking into more Winery/Brewery spirit nights and a Coin War - keep them coming!

Save the date:
- June 10 - Field Day
- June 14- Kona Ice Truck in lieu of end of the year parties
- June 15 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! Happy Summer to all!

We wish each of you a safe and happy summer and we look forward to seeing most of you next year! Congratulations again to all of our 5th grade students (and parents) for moving on to middle school!

Mrs. Clark
Physical Education

Thank you for such a great year at Lincoln! It has been such a treat to work with each of our students this year. We have had a lot of fun this month learning about basketball skills as well as golf skills. The students also participated in invasion games and fitness testing.

Field day is on Friday June 10. Please make sure your children have sunblock on before they come to school on field day. We will have water games, relay games, and even an obstacle course! Lunch is provided on field day. It is going to be a great day!

Counseling Connection
Mrs. Smith, School Counselor

It is incredibly hard to believe that June is here! Students at Lincoln have been challenged by a lot this year. These same challenged students have grown and accomplished so much too!

In May and June, Kindergarten worked on honesty and its importance as they transition to 1st grade! Perhaps they can show you their four corners game at home! In first grade, we also worked on honesty and goal setting as they prepare for second grade! Ask them to share their awesome goals with you that they shared in our lesson! In 3rd grade, we talked about big feelings and what to do with them as they transition to fourth grade! They can name a lot of feelings and how they can be great problem solvers! In fourth grade, we reflected on our body,
brain, and emotion connection as we become the leaders next year in fifth grade! They enjoyed showing each other different ways to keep a calm body/mind connection! Finally, our fifth grade class worked on the special transition to middle school including managing stress, schedules, time management, and even some opening the lock practice! All these Lincoln students are going to great places to do great things! Have a wonderful summer Lincoln family!

Deb Smith
School Counselor
Kenneth W. Culbert and Lincoln Elementary Schools
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Health Clinic
Ms. Oliver

June has arrived, and summer is just around the corner! As we wind down the school year there are several important upcoming dates to remember...
• June 10th Field Day – enjoy exciting activities outside with Mrs. Clark – before school be sure to apply sunscreen, wear a hat and sneakers, and bring a water bottle!
• June 15th final day to provide booster and update immunization record for rising 6th graders
• June 16th final day to Pick-Up all student medication and medical supplies stored in the health office

Please know that any medication left in the school health office after June 16th will be discarded. Parents of rising 6th graders- please provide the booster and update immunization record directly to your child's middle school after June 15th. Thank you!

Have a happy, healthy, and safe June and summer break!

Music
Mr. Duggan

Wrapping up the year in style! In music, fourth and fifth graders are continuing to tip their toes into recorder and will play some familiar games from years past. Fourth graders should keep their instruments in good condition over the summer as we will play them again in fifth grade. Fifth graders are also learning their final two songs to perform at the end of year ceremony. Sad, yet exciting! Third graders will learn a challenge folk dance to wrap up their folk dance unit as well as play some canons on xylophones. Second graders are composing music using the rhythms we have learned this year and will sing in small groups to hear our voices more clearly. First graders will also sing in small groups and will also spend time on the larger
instruments. SOL time also means that students need a positive way to let out energy, so every student will participate in at least one drum circle in class. Stay musical this summer!

@MrDugganMusic
Music Specialist, Itinerant
Banneker & Lincoln Elementary Schools

Library
Mrs. Dillon

A big thank you to families that supported our recent book fair! It was fun for the kids to have an in-person fair. Thanks especially to Krista Ramey, Chris Mallin, Dania Hye, Tiffany Woodcheke, Julie Reiter, Michelle Stephan, Asli Baki, John Whitaker, and JoAnn Ordaz. These parent volunteers, made a successful fair possible. Our Lincoln students are lucky to have such a supportive group of parents willing to help!

Summer reading is our focus in the library this month. The local public library system has a wonderful summer reading program. Lincoln students have won the summer reading trophy from the Purcellville branch twice in recent years, and I will be encouraging students to sign up and participate. There are many eBooks, audiobooks, and other resources available for free through our library as well as the public library. They are a great option when you want a book and have a device, even if you’re far from home. Hopefully your students will find some great reads to enjoy over the summer. I will be celebrating with students that read over the summer when we get back to school in the fall.

I highly recommend the site CommonSenseMedia.org for parents looking for guidance as to books, movies, and games that are appropriate for your children. Each family is different, and this site offers clear detailed descriptions of all kinds of media so that families can make educated decisions for themselves.

Last, but not least, since the school year is almost over it’s time to start looking for library books so that we can get them all back in the library! Please keep an eye out for overdue notices coming home in backpacks and help your student(s) find any library books under the beds, in the couch cushions, in the car, etc.
Have a wonderful summer!

SEARCH
Mrs. Cornell

Home Experiments = Smarter Thinking

Whether it is experimenting with new ways to do jobs around the house, changing up a recipe, building contraptions, or trying a bit of kitchen chemistry, conducting appropriate experiments at home is an extremely valuable experience for all children. Understanding the nature of
simple experiments teaches children about options, making choices, and opens the door to higher-level thinking.

By definition, an experiment cannot fail – it always produces an outcome. Sometimes, the experiment will produce the desired or expected results and confirm a child’s thinking. Other times, it will produce an outcome that is different from what was anticipated, opening the door for the child to continue thinking and learning. When an experiment’s outcome is different from the expected, it is important for the parents to help the child debrief the process so the child will fully understand what happened and why. This is what makes the experiment meaningful and intriguing.

Debriefing, or analyzing an experiment’s results, begins with the child identifying the variables at work in the experiment and describing the experiment’s outcomes to the parent in detail. Stating this basic information sets the stage for smarter thinking to take place as the child poses more involved questions such as: “What might happen if we replaced one of the variables with a different variable and we experimented again?” “How might the results be similar? Different? And why?” Analyzing, substituting components, and comparing and contrasting results of multiple trials are all higher-level thinking skills that help children become smarter thinkers.

Looking for some interesting experiments to try at home? Check out some ideas in the link below and see if anything piques your interest - let me know what you try out!
https://www.sciencefun.org/kidszone/experiments/

June Birthdays

June 5 Andrew
June 6 Becca B.
June 7 Mrs. Washko
June 9 Declan
June 9 Mr. Michener
June 11 Nathan
June 15 Onalynn
June 15 Dr. Farrell
June 17 Mrs. Lanigan
June 24 Connor
June 24 Chase
June 24 Mr. Leach
June 25 Joshua
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