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Lincoln Times

November 2016

MUSIC

Music is off to a great start at Lincoln. Here are some dates to mark on your calendar.

Nov. 22, 2016 - 5th grade band & vocal concert 7:00 P.M. - WHS auditorium

Dec. 1, 2016 - WHS choir and Sunrise Singer concert 7:30 P.M. - WHS auditorium

Feb. 3, 2017 - 5th grade honor choir (8 selected students) 7:00 P.M. - tba

Feb. 21 - 4th grade concert 7:00 P.M. - tba

Mar. 14, 2017 - All school vocal concert (Sunrise Singers) 7:00 P.M. - WHS gym

April 4, 2017 - 3rd grade concert 7:00 P.M. - tba

May 1, 2017 - Sunrise Singer, Beginning band concert 7:00 P.M. - WMS auditorium

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Dismissal Time

Our first dismissal bell will ring at 3:25 for early buses and students that get picked up. The second bell will ring at 3:30 for late buses and students that walk. If you have any questions please call the office at 319-653-3691.

Facebook and Twitter

Please like "Lincoln Elementary School" on Facebook to get updates and see pictures of all the great things happening at our school. You can also follow us on Twitter, @LincolnElemWash. Be sure to use #washpride when sharing about events in our school district on Facebook and Twitter.

Breakfast

Breakfast is served each morning from 7:40 - 8:00. If students plan on eating breakfast, please have them come to the gym right away when they get to school to eat first, before they go out to recess.

Absence Line

Just a reminder to call the office if you student is not coming to school for any reason. You may call the main number, 653-3691, after 7:30 or anytime before 8:30 on the absence line, 653-1101. Please include the reason for absence as we code all absences in Powerschool. Thanks for your help!



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Wednesday, Nov. 2 - 1:10 Dismissal for Professional Growth
Thursday, Nov. 3 - Archery Parent Meeting at 7:00 PM at the High School
Friday, Nov. 4 - GUM DAY
Monday, Nov. 7 - Dental Screening for 3rd Grade
Tuesday, Nov. 8 - Archery starts - 6:00 - 7:30 PM
Friday, Nov. 11 - End of 1st Trimester
Monday, Nov. 14 - 3rd Grade goes bowling for PE
Tuesday, Nov. 15 - 4th Grade goes bowling for PE
Wednesday, Nov. 16 - 5th Grade goes bowling for PE
Wednesday, Nov. 16 - 1:10 Dismissal for Professional Growth
Thursday, Nov. 17 - STAR Party - All students that have 6 or less late assignments
Friday, Nov. 18 - Hat Day
Monday, Nov. 21 - Report Cards will come home
Tuesday, Nov. 22 - 5th Grade Vocal and Band Concert at HS at 7:00
Tuesday, Nov. 22 - Lincoln Booster Fundraiser at Unc & Neph's - 10% goes to PTG
Wednesday, Nov. 23 - 1:10 Dismissal - Thanksgiving Break
Thursday, Nov. 24 - Happy Thanksgiving! No School
Friday, Nov. 25 - No School - Thanksgiving Break
Monday, Nov. 28 - No School - Parent/Teacher Conference Comp Day
Wednesday, Nov. 30 - 1:10 Dismissal for Professional Growth
Thursday, Dec. 1 - Start of Boxtop Competition
Friday, Dec. 2 - GUM DAY

ARCHERY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

NASP

(National Archery in the Schools Program)

4th - 12th grade students and their parents interested in joining the Archery Team are invited to a meeting on Thursday, November 3, at 7:00 PM in the high school gym.

The club will begin practices in November and continue through the first weekend in March. Practice time will be set by the coaches and availability of the facility during the week. The club does not provide transportation to and from the practice facility.

More information will be given out the night of the meeting if your student is interested.

NOTES FROM THE NURSE

As we look ahead toward flu season, we are taking the following measures to help our students stay healthy. We need your help. Influenza spreads most easily in the early stages of the illness. To protect your child, as well as any other child, we will be more sensitive to the symptoms of influenza

and will send your child home if ill.

Following these recommendations will help to prevent illness in your child and his/her classmates.

Know the signs and symptoms of the flu. Symptoms of the flu can include fever (oral temperature of 100.0 F or greater), cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, and feeling very tired. Some people may also vomit or have diarrhea.

Do not send children to school if they are sick. Any children who are determined to be sick while at school will be sent home. You should begin to plan how you will provide care for your sick child if you are not able to stay home with them. **Please make sure the office has updated phone numbers.**

Keep sick children at home for at least 24 hours after the fever is gone. If you give your child fever reducing medications, like ibuprofen(Advil) or acetaminophen(Tylenol), ensure your child has not had a fever for 24 hours after the medications have worn off. If your child goes home with a fever he/she should stay home from school the next day.

Teach your children the flu is spread from person-to-person. Teach them to cough or sneeze into a tissue and then throw the tissue in trash. If a tissue is not available, teach them to cover their cough or sneeze using their elbow or sleeve instead of their hands.

Teach your children to wash their hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds (the time it takes to sing happy birthday twice), especially after they cough or sneeze. If soap and water is not available, an alcohol-based hand sanitizer can be used. You can set a good example by doing this yourself.

Teach your children not to share personal items like beverages, cups, food, unwashed utensils, or toothbrushes.

Any student with a temperature of 100 degrees and higher or vomits while at school will be sent home.

We appreciate your help in keeping our students healthy.

Holly Roth RN, BSN
Jessica Nafziger RN
Lincoln School Nurse

GUIDANCE NOTES

In guidance we are still continuing our discussion about bullying. There has been great discussion and feedback from everyone. The last couple weeks the students have broken up into individual or small groups and have picked 1 of the 5 types of bullying; cyber, social, physical, verbal, or exclusion. I have seen great teamwork demonstrated by all! The students have been working hard at communicating as a team and problem solving.

I can't stress enough, if your child reports any bullying at any point please notify the school immediately in order for the situation to be resolved.



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MRS. BEENBLOSSOM'S BLOG

http://beenblossoms.blogspot.com/2016_10_01_archive.html

November is upon us! It has gone been a great start to the school year! One thing I you might hear your kiddos talk about at home is expected and unexpected behavior. I believe that stating what we expect from our students is one step closer to getting us where we want to be! Some examples of stating expected behavior would include this: Someone is running in the hall, rather than saying stop running - we state the expected and/or unexpected behavior. For example, "Running in the hall is an unexpected behavior, our expectation is to walk etc, please try it again." Sometimes it's as simple as saying, "Walking feet, please." "Our hallway expectation is to walk." We also use our respectful, responsible and safe language, because that is what the students know as well. Please be safe and walk in the halls. I have high expectations for our students academically and behaviorally, and I express that to them whenever I have the chance to meet with or see them.

Recess is always an area of concern, as students have unstructured time. Some of the biggest problem areas are football and soccer. For some reason students think that they are going to win the World Cup or the Super Bowl of recess. I shared with them that I have never given awards for recess football or soccer. Please make sure to reinforce with your kids that recess is for FUN!!!! NOT competition! With your support, we can work towards respectful, responsible and safe recess choices!

Communication, communication, communication...there is never enough!! You are the number one advocate for your child. If you have a question or concern, do not hesitate to call. I always encourage parents to start with the teacher first so there is a clear picture of what is going on at school. Then work with your child's teacher and/or the behavior interventionist or counselor if need be. If you feel a resolve hasn't come, then talk to me and we can work together, with the teacher resolve whatever may be happening.

With winter on the way, please remember to remind your children to dress warm. They should

always be prepared to go to recess. We watch the temperature and wind chill before sending children out. If your child needs to stay in for medical reasons longer than two days, a doctor's note should be sent.

Again, please don't hesitate to contact the school if you need something or have any questions!!

Teresa Beenblossom

Lincoln Principal



BLOG SITES

3rd Grade Blog Site

Mrs. Bombei, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Greiner
Mrs. Hinson, Mrs. Rausch
3rd Grade Teachers
<https://lincoln3rdgrade.blogspot.com/>

4th Grade Blog Site

Mr. Hippen
4th Grade Teacher
<http://4thgrademrhippen.blogspot.com/>

5th Grade Blog Site

Mrs. Bruty, Mr. Berhow, Mr. Green,
Mrs Olson
5th Grade Teachers
<http://lincoln5thgrade.blogspot.com>

Other Blog Sites

Mrs. Humphreys
Art Teacher
<https://sites.google.com/a/washington.k12.ia.us/lincoln-elementary-art/>

Mrs. Sieren
ELL Teacher
<http://sierenelp.blogspot.com>

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