



Lincoln Elementary
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Lincoln Times

April 2018



Music Notes

The 3rd Grade Music Concert will be held on Tuesday, April 10, at the Washington High School Auditorium at 7:00 PM. Students should arrive by 6:45. The admission cost is a free will donation to the Washington Music Boosters. If you have any questions, please call the office.

April Dates to Remember

Friday, March 30 -	NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
Monday, April 2 -	NO SCHOOL - Easter Break
Wednesday, April 4 -	Spring Pictures
Friday, April 6 -	GUM Day
Tuesday, April 10 -	3rd Grade Concert at 7:00 High School Auditorium
Wed., April 11 -	1:10 DISMISSAL for Professional Growth
Friday, April 20 -	Hat Day
Tuesday, April 24 -	McTeacher Night at McDonalds - Lincoln PTG will receive 15% of all proceeds that night.
Wed., April 25 -	1:10 DISMISSAL for Professional Growth
Thursday, April 26 -	4th Grade Field Trip
Tuesday, May 1 -	3rd - 5th Grade ELP Students at West Branch Quiz Bowl

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

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.

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 any time 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!

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.



LINCOLN BOX TOP CONTEST

Lincoln will have its last Box Top Contest of the year from April 3 - 30. Students can bring in box tops and vote in the office for the reward they want to win for their grade. Their choices are:

30 Minute Recess

Popcorn Party

Pajama Day

The grade that brings in the most box tops will win the reward with the most votes. ALSO - the teachers with the winning grade will get a free jeans day. ALSO - if all students bring in at least 4,000 box tops, Mrs. Beenblossom will dress up in a costume for a day. Expired box tops don't count!

LINCOLN NURSE NOTES

Hello All~

There have been a couple of confirmed cases of head lice at Lincoln Elementary. We are sending this letter to make parents aware and encourage you to check your child's hair frequently for nits and live lice. Head lice is not something that will harm your child, but it is a pest that can be difficult to get rid of.

Preventative measures you can take to avoid head lice:

- Encourage your child to avoid sharing hats, coats, sweatshirts, headbands, hair brushes, etc. Tell them not to pile their coats & hats with other students' coats.
- Check your child's hair frequently (at least once a week) for lice and nits. (Nits are the eggs, they look like a small white piece of dandruff, but you can't flick them off the hair shaft. A nit is glued to the hair shaft. Nits can be a clear-white, white, or white with a dark center in color. Live lice are very quick and often hard to spot in early stages. Live lice can range from a light gray color to black.) Generally, the earlier the lice are identified, the easier it is to treat.
- Drying your child's coat, hat, scarves, etc. on HIGH for 20-30 min daily to kill any lice (lice do not tolerate heat).

What do I do if nits or live lice are found in my child's hair? (Guidelines per www.CDC.gov):

- Treat with a lice killing shampoo can be purchased at most stores. Follow directions on box and retreat as directed.
- Comb hair carefully in sections every day to remove any nits and/or live lice.
- Hats, scarves, pillow cases, bedding, clothing, and towels should be machine washed and dried in hot water and hot air cycle as lice do not tolerate heat.
- Items that are not machine washable should be sealed in a plastic bag for two weeks.
- Vacuuming furniture and floors can remove hair with viable nits attached.
- For more information on successful treatment of lice please refer to

<http://www.cdc.gov/parasites/lice/head/treatment.html>

Please let any care providers, & family or friends involved in recent sleepovers know if you do find head lice on your child. We are hopeful that increasing awareness will help in early identification and proper treatment of head lice.

Thank you,

Holly Roth RN, BSN
Lincoln Elementary School Nurse

MRS. BEENBLOSSOM

Hello Lincoln Parents and Students!

As April is coming upon us soon it seems like time is flying too fast this school year! In a couple of months we will be off for summer break and another school year will have passed. April is a time when we are looking forward to sunny weather and mild temperatures. As the weather is starting to warm up, students will be asking to wear summer clothes to school the temperatures may not be warm enough for them. Some ways that you can help keep students comfortable traveling to Lincoln and throughout their day/during recess:

- Watch the local weather with your student and discuss appropriate clothing to meet the weather for the week.
- Send students with jackets and sweatshirts. We know that April weather can be warm one minute and be cold and windy the next. Jackets and sweatshirts will ensure that your student will stay warm with those frequent weather changes.
- Make sure footwear is appropriate for the day. Tennis shoes will always be acceptable, but it may be too cold for sandals depending on the day.
- Discuss with your student the "blacktop only" recess in which they will be expected to be on the blacktop or playground equipment only.
- Discuss with your student the need for a coat/jacket/sweatshirt at recess. If the weather is warm enough and they are not required, the recess monitors will let the students know.
- Review the "Personal Appearance" section of the Lincoln Student Handbook. If there are any questions about the policy, please call us.

We at Lincoln Elementary utilize PowerSchool and hope that you're using it too! PowerSchool provides a wealth of information for parents and students to access, such as:

- Student grades and class progress
- Attendance for the week and school year
- Current lunch account balances
- The ability to get weekly emails regarding student progress

In order to better communicate with you, please contact Tricia Bell with any changes in email or phone numbers. Additionally, Mrs. Bell will be able to assist you with any questions regarding how to use your PowerSchool account.

Have an amazing April!

Teresa Beenblossom
Lincoln Principal



McTeacher Night - April 24

McDonalds will be hosting a Lincoln McTeacher Night on Tuesday, April 24. Lincoln PTG will receive 15% of all the proceeds from McDonalds on this night - so please plan a night out with your kids at McDonalds and help out the Lincoln PTG!!

BLOG SITES

3rd Grade Blog Site

Ms. Doorenbos, Mrs. Gracey, Mrs. Hinson,
Mrs. Rausch, Mrs. Vander Stoep
3rd Grade Teachers
<https://lincoln3rdgrade.blogspot.com/>

5th Grade Blog Site

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

Other Blog Sites

Mrs. Hill
Music
Hillmusicblog.blogspot.com

Mrs. Brokaw
ELL Teacher
<http://brokawbulletin.blogspot.com/>

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

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

Mr. Hippen
5th Grade Teacher
<https://mrhippen5thgrade.blogspot.com/>



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