



Lincoln School Newsletter

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May 2019

Dates to Remember!

5/6-5/10: Teacher Appreciation Week
 5/8: Early Release.—Dismissal at 11:45am
 5/9 & 5/10: No School for Kindergarten—
 Kindergarten Screening
 5/21: PTC Meeting, 6pm
 5/27: Memorial Day— No School
 5/30: Kindergarten Concert, 10:30am at Lincoln
 5/30: Grade 1-2 Concert, 6:00pm at Lincoln



Pre K/Kindergarten Registration

Parents who will be registering a child for Pre-K for the 2019/2020 school year, need to contact Gilbert School at 626-2491. To enroll in Pre-K, your child must live in Augusta and have turned four years old by 10/15/19.

For parents who will be registering a kindergarten student for the 2019/2020 school year, please call Lincoln School at 626-2483. To enroll in Kindergarten, your child must be live in the Lincoln Attendance district and have turned five years old by 10/15/19. Mrs. Cloutier, our school secretary, will take your name and contact information down for registration. **Our Kindergarten screening will be held on May 9th and 10th. There will be no school for Kindergarten students only on those two days.**

Principal's Message



It is time to celebrate our teachers and all the hard work that they do for our students. This year, Teacher Appreciation Week is 5/6/19-5/10/19. The teachers at Lincoln create a safe, nurturing learning environment for our students. They ensure that they are meeting the individual needs of all their students. Our teachers help inspire, build self-confidence, and create life-long learners. Above all, they promote a love of learning. Lincoln School, in partnership with our PTC, will be doing various activities throughout the week to show how much we appreciate all the hard work our teachers do for our students. Please join us in saying thank you to your child's teacher for their dedication and commitment to education! Drop them a note or help your child make them a card letting them know how much you appreciate them!

For the month of April, 127 students received the Perfect Attendance recognition. Make sure to check out their names as you walk into the school by our attendance graph. For the month of April, our overall school attendance average was **94.26%**! We met our target goal for the month! Hopefully with warmer weather around the corner, we will leave the winter blues behind! Attending school regularly is important for students with establishing consistent routines and not getting behind with their schoolwork. We appreciate our parents' efforts with getting their children to school and on time!

Educationally Yours,

Mrs. Gauthier

Classroom Feature: Spotlight on 3rd Grade



Our third grade students have been working particularly hard this past month. The students just finished taking their first ever MEAs which measure student progress. We were fortunate to be able to have Mad Science present concepts that we have been working on, such as: solids, liquids, and gases. During the presentation, some of our students were even able to volunteer as special guests.

Lincoln School also had Portland Stage Theater for Kids come and perform for grades 1-6. Following the performance, third grade was able to work on theater concepts in the classroom, which aligned to the third grade common core Speaking and Listening standards. Third grade students were amazing, participating and being welcoming to our guests.

Third grade is looking forward to another presentation coming up this month which will be presented by Northern Stars Planetarium. This will help to further what students have learned this year about the solar system.



Friday Walking Recess

On each Friday in the month of May, we will continue to have Walking Recess. Permission slips were sent home for parents to sign off allowing their child to walk a mile loop around the school and some of the area side streets. We recruit volunteers to come and join us including parents and our Fire and Police departments. So mark your calendars and come for a walk!

Summer Slide Ice Cream Social and Art Show



We will be having our 8th Annual Summer Slide Ice Cream Social on May 16th from 6:00-7:00 p.m. On this night, we will have some end of year projects on display to celebrate our school year. In addition, we will have our Art Show with student work on display throughout the halls of our school. This is led by our very own Mrs. Sarah Rowe. There will also be handouts and resources for families to walk away with to work with their children over the long summer break. With ten weeks off, it is important for students to maintain skills learned. Families can top the evening off with an ice cream treat, from the Darlings Ice Cream Truck! All proceeds will go to the PTC to support future events for our school. The Book Fair will also be going on during this time.



Nurse Notes



IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

For Students Entering K through 6th Grade

# of Doses	Immunization Required
5	DPT (4 if the 4th dose is given after the 4th birthday)
4	Polio (3 if the 3 rd dose is given after the 4 th birthday)
2	MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)
1	Varicella/Chicken Pox (or proof of immunity/history of disease by physician)

Maine law states that students who are enrolled in school who do not meet the above requirements must either provide written assurance that the child will be immunized within 90 days from enrolling/first day of school (whichever date is earlier) or provide one of the following:

A physician's written statement that immunizations may be *medically inadvisable*.

A parent/guardian written statement of opposition to immunization because of philosophical or sincere religious beliefs. (Please note, the state of Maine is working on legislation that may change this option. See: L.D. 798)

For Student's Entering 7th Grade:

# of Doses	Immunization Required
1	Tdap Booster for all students entering 7 th grade
1	Meningococcal for all students entering 7 th grade

Maine law states that a student going into 7th grade who does not meet these requirements may not attend school until the parent or guardian provides one of the following:

A physician's written statement that immunizations may be *medically inadvisable*.

A parent/guardian written statement of opposition to immunization because of philosophical or sincere religious beliefs. (Please note, the state of Maine is working on legislation that may change this option. See: L.D. 798)

Fun things happening in the Library in May 2019

Maine Student Book Award Challenge with Mrs. Gauthier wraps up on May 1st The students and staff members with more books read than Mrs. Gauthier will be rewarded with a Pizza Party Lunch. It looks like a good group will be to participate. The students who participate and read at least 5 books will also win a prize.

The new list of MSBA books for 2019-20 is now available on the website. Students can get a head start reading over the summer for the next challenge. The list can be viewed at: <http://msba.umeedu.maine.edu/>

K-3 The new list of Chickadee books for 2019-20 is now out and can be viewed at <http://www.mainechickadeeaward.org/>

Book Fair

Our Spring Scholastic Book Fair Family night is May 16th will be set up to go. Students will be previewing and able to purchase May 16th - 24th. Flyers will be coming home with some new ways to shop from home.

Spring 2019 Theme – Dino-Mite Book fair



All prices will have a 5.5% state sales tax added. This is because the books are not being purchased for the school.

Our online Book fair can be viewed and purchases made at :

<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/lincolnelementaryschool212>

to browse and shop until May 3 -May 25th. Items will be shipped to Lincoln school when the book fair closes.

As we begin winding down our school year, please help your child find and return lost library books. Notices are sent home informing you which books are missing. Please help your child by placing their books to be returned in their backpack on or before their Library day.

Happy Reading! ~ Mrs. Pridham