



# Lincoln School Newsletter

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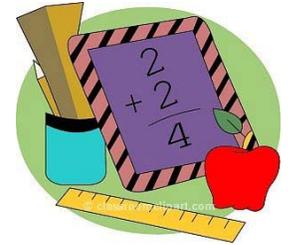
November 2018

## Dates to Remember!

- 11/2: Early Release, Dismissal at 11:45am
- 11/9: Picture Retake Day
- 11/12: Veteran's Day Observed—NO SCHOOL
- 11/13: PTC Meeting at 6:00pm
- 11/14 & 11/16 : Vision and Hearing Screening
- 11/16: End of 1st Trimester, Grades Close
- 11/21: Workshop Day—NO SCHOOL
- 11/22 & 11/23: Thanksgiving Break— NO SCHOOL
- 11/30: Report Cards go home

## Principal's Message

We had a busy month of October and it seemed to fly right by us! Our PTC coordinated our first fall family event, the Pumpkin Palooza. We had a decent turnout on this night. Many of our students and their families were enjoying the music, making some crafts, and checking out the books at the Book Fair and our Free Book stacks. Our PTC has also organized our fall fundraiser. The money earned from this will go back to the school for future events for our families and educational opportunities for our students.



Our students continue to earn their Eagle Tickets for being Kind, Responsible and Ready. As of October, students have collectively earned 293 tickets. Check out our school wide thermometer at the top of the stairs for updates. In addition, when students have collected five Eagle Tickets, they can turn them in to the office for special recognition. These are hung outside our office door.

For the month of October we had 117 students receive the Perfect Attendance recognition. These names are posted as you walk into the school. For the month of October, our overall school **attendance average was 93.54%**! We are close to meeting our monthly target of 94%! 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*



## School Dismissal Reminder

**Please call the school before 2pm** to let us know of any changes with your student regarding end of day dismissal, including bus or pickup changes. This helps the end of day go much more smoothly and also helps us make sure your child goes where they need to go. Thank you!

## Classroom Feature: Spotlight on 6th Grade

On Wednesday, November 14, 2018 both sixth grade classes will be taking a field trip to LabVenture at the Gulf of Maine Research Institute in Portland. LabVenture brings 10,000 of Maine's 5/6<sup>th</sup> grade students to the GMRI's research laboratory in Portland, ME, for an immersive experience in science. Students participate in a dynamic introduction to their place in the Gulf of Maine watershed and take on their science challenge for the day. Working in peer teams they work at interactive digital touch tables that guide them through hands-on

experiments and scientific investigations with live specimens. Students take team photographs, collect and analyze digital data, and record videos of their claims. All their data is pulled together during facilitated science discussions to solve their science challenge and draw connections between their experiences and current research being done in the Gulf of Maine.



Sixth grade parents should be on the lookout for more information and permissions slips soon.



## Report Cards

We had a fair turn out for parent-teacher conferences. Over the week, we had **81%** of our parents attend conferences to discuss the progress of their child. The first trimester will be winding down this month. Grades close on 11/16. **Report cards will be sent home on 11/30.** It is important to maintain communication with your child's teacher on any issues you may have, or questions and concerns about your child's education. You can make appointments with your child's teacher to discuss progress.



## Nurse Notes

**Winter Wardrobes**– As winter weather approaches, please send your child with a jacket, hat, mittens, boots and, ski pants. The office does not give out winter clothing for students to use for recess. If ski-pants are not worn, students may not play in the snow. \*If your child does not have a jacket, please call and let me know.



**Vision and Hearing Screenings**– Vision and Hearing Screenings will take place on November 14th and 16th. If you do not receive a letter from me within a month, your child has passed the screenings.

**Immunizations**–If your child is not up to date or has had an exemption in the past; you will be receiving a phone call within the next few weeks from the nurse. Please provide any updated immunization records and/or an updated exemption form for the 2018-2019 school year.

**Illness**– If your child has a fever, he/she may not return to school until they are **24 hours fever free** without Tylenol/Motrin on board. If they have been put on an antibiotic for illness, they should be on the antibiotic for 24 hours before returning to school.

**Cough Drops**– If cough drops are sent in; please send a note with permission for your child to take them at school. All cough drops will be kept in the nurse's office for our students' safety.

~Nurse Bobbi Jo

### PTC

The PTC will have their next meeting on **11/13 at 6:00pm** in the cafeteria. If you are interested in helping out with events this school year, we encourage parents to attend the meeting on Tuesday or email our PTC president about how you could volunteer: Staci Fortunato, [stacifortunato@gmail.com](mailto:stacifortunato@gmail.com).

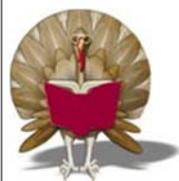


## Did you know? Second Chance Breakfast Is Available

Augusta Elementary Schools offer all students "**Second Chance Breakfast in the Classroom.**" If a child missed breakfast in the cafeteria they have a second chance. A Grab-n-Go Breakfast Cart goes to each classroom offering breakfast to any child that wants one. Teachers allow students the opportunity to quickly grab a breakfast and come back to their seat to eat. This has been very successful and we are feeding many more breakfasts to students who would have gone without.

### Second Chance Breakfast Menu

<b>Monday</b>	WG Waffles <b>or</b> Yogurt Cup and Graham Crackers
<b>Tuesday</b>	Strawberry Yogurt Parfait
<b>Wednesday</b>	WG Muffin <b>or</b> Yogurt Cup and Graham Crackers
<b>Thursday</b>	Pancake Bites <b>or</b> Sausage Pancake on a Stick
<b>Friday</b>	WG Bagel and Cream Cheese <b>or</b> Yogurt Cup and Graham Crackers



## November 2018 Library Happenings

Students in 5th & 6th grades are busy challenging to read more than Mrs. Gauthier from the books on the on the MSBA list for 2018-2019. The challenge will end April 30, 2018 with a Pizza Party for the students and staff members with more books read than Mrs. Gauthier. The students who participate and read at least 5 books will also win a prize. Keep Reading! The list of books being read can be found at <http://msba.umeedu.maine.edu/>

We are wrapping another successful Scholastic Book Fair this week. All your purchases mean more books for our school!

Parents that would like to help their student choose books from the Lincoln Library, our collection can be viewed at home by accessing our online card catalog system. Visit us at: <http://minerva.maine.edu/> and just write down the information and have your child bring it to the Librarian.

**Reminder to K & 1st grade parents:** Your students books are signed out for **1 week**. Many times, when books are not returned weekly, the tears flow as they cannot check out another until the book out is returned. Please help by placing the books to be returned in their backpack on or before their Library day. Keeping books in a plastic bag in their backpack helps avoid damage caused by leaky snacks.

Happy Reading! ~ Mrs. Pridham