



Lincoln School Newsletter

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Dates to Remember!

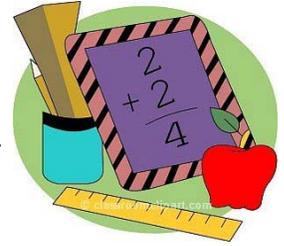
11/11 Veteran's Day —NO SCHOOL
 11/12: Picture Retake Day
 8:30am-9:30am Cohort A
 9:30am-10:30am Cohort B & C
 11/25: Workshop Day—NO SCHOOL
 11/26 & 11/27: Thanksgiving Break—NO SCHOOL

Report Cards



The first trimester will be winding down this month. Grades close on 12/4. **Report cards will be sent home on 12/10 and 12/11.** 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.

Principal's Message



We will be administering a new district benchmark in November for reading and math. During the weeks of 11/2-11/13, students will take a MAP® Growth™ test from NWEA® on their device. Remote teachers will communicate with families on when they will be administering the assessments. We ask that during these times, parents do not assist beyond helping students getting on to the program. For more information about MAP Growth, parent/ guardians can visit [NWEA.org/familytoolkit](https://www.nwea.org/familytoolkit).

MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers use results to tailor targeted interventions for students and to inform their instruction. MAP Growth tests are unique and adapts to student's responses to measure their skill level. These results will provide a more complete picture of what students know and are ready to learn. MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about students' learning. Following each testing period, parents will receive a Family Report showing a summary of how their child is performing academically.

Educationally Yours,

Mrs. Gauthier

Classroom Feature: Spotlight on 4th Grade



Picture Retake Day

Picture Retake Day will be on Thursday, November 12th. For Cohort A, retakes will be from 8:30am-9:30am. Cohort B and C will run from 9:30am-10:30am.

Fourth graders have been busy settling into our new "normal". The kids have been fantastic about wearing masks and socially distancing. The kids have been so responsible about bringing their computers to and from school with only a few "oops, I forgot it". We are so proud of them. We have learned all new platforms that are used during remote learning as well as sometimes in-person class. In math, we have been reviewing place value and have jumped in to review/relearn regrouping for both addition and subtraction. Soon we will be jumping into multiplication. Reading and writing continue with nonfiction in both subjects. (We did take time out to write or read some scary stories).





Physical Education News

K-2: Students in grades K-2 recently finished their soccer unit where they learned how to dribble under control while quickly changing direction as well as how to pass and trap (stop) the ball. They ended this unit by playing various target-related activities utilizing all of the skills previously taught. K-2 is now working on performing locomotor movements. These movements include walking, running, hopping, jumping, skipping, sliding, and galloping. Once these movements can be done utilizing spatial awareness, students will then practice each skill while moving around and changing directions.

3-6: Students in grades 3-6 have also recently finished their soccer unit where they too learned how to properly dribble, pass & trap, and strike the ball. They wrapped up this unit by playing target-related games while performing previously taught skills. They will continue working on sports games during our next unit of basketball where they will learn how to properly dribble, perform chest and bounce passes, do layups, and jump shots.

Nurse Notes



Winter Wardrobes: Please send your child with a jacket, hat, mittens boots & ski pants. The office does not give out winter clothing for students to borrow 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.

Head Lice: Head lice are small insects that are usually found on the head. Their eggs, called nits, are most often found behind the ears and on the neckline. Head lice is very common in elementary school children. They are most often spread by direct head-to-head contact and do not jump or fly. We ask that all parents do head checks regularly with their children. If you see either white eggs attached to the hair shaft or adult lice, please treat that day with either an over-the-counter product or prescription medication following the directions closely. Remember, the nits (eggs) must **all** be combed out of the hair or they will hatch into an adult, which will lay more eggs. It can be difficult to stop the cycle. Combing daily until all lice/nits are removed is important and a repeat treatment in 7 to 10 days is recommended.

~Nurse Jessie

Jessie Eastman BSN, RN



November 2020 Happenings in the Library

A chill is in the air and a great reason to cozy up with a good book to warm your soul. Library is still being held in the classroom at this time for social distancing purposes. Library activities and stories will be done weeks 1-3 each month. We are still not checking out books at this time to students but hope that will change as time goes on.

You can access our Library site thru the Specialist page on your Google Classroom or SeeSaw classroom page. There are lots of links to many great pages for your child. The top of the page will have grade levels listed. New Links are added weekly to the Library site for the students to explore and that follow along with what we are doing in the classroom.

Once again our Maine Student Book Nominees have a new list read to read. These books can be accessed through Lithgow Library or on Cloud Library through Lithgow. There are several tutorials on the Library site to help you navigate these tools. If your

library card does not work, just give Lithgow a call @ 207.626.2415 and they will reactivate it. The Maine Student Book Award (MSBA) website can be accessed at <https://sites.google.com/view/mainestudentbookaward/home> to preview the new exciting list for 2020-2021.

K-3 grades have been reading the 2020-2021 **Chickadee Nominee books**, and a complementary book on the subject of the chickadee we are reading. You can find them linked on the Library site for your reading pleasure. We have also been reading seasonal books and will continue with those. If you would like to learn more about this and see the books we read have please go to your classroom site and then ask your child to share about the books we are reading. <https://sites.google.com/site/thechickadeeaward/>

Many of our student still have Library books that need to be returned from last spring. Please help your child by placing them in their backpack.

Happy Reading! ~ Mrs. Pridham