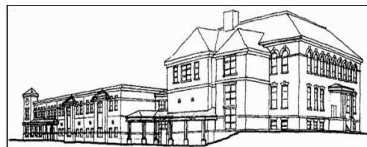


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Upcoming Events

- 2/9 – PTO Meeting 7PM
- 2/11 – Continental Math League Gr. 2-5
- 2/11 – Fuddrucker's Night for 5th Grade Activities & E-camp fund
- 2/12 – Kindergarten Report Cards go home
- 2/12 – 4th Gr. Biography Brunch
- 2/12 – A. Lincoln's Birthday
- 2/13 – Math-a-thon
- 2/13-2/21 – Feb. Vacation
- 2/24 – School Site Council meeting 6:00 PM
- 2/25 – Stoneham Theatre enrichment assemblies
- 2/26 – Family Movie Night 6:30 PM
- 3/2 – Community Reading Day
- 3/4 – Title I Parent Info Night – 6:30 PM
- 3/8 – 3/12 – Lincoln International Celebration Week
- 3/9 – Early Release Mad Science Enrichment
- 3/10 – Early Release David Hall – Magician
- 3/12 – International Festival

Principal's News

I recently heard that the famed groundhog Punxsutawney Phil has a 40% accuracy rate on his predictions based on his shadow. With that score, I believe the State Department of Elementary and Secondary Education would place him in the "Needs Improvement" category. So regardless of his forecast, I am hopeful for bright and warm days to come soon.

We had great attendance at our 4th and 5th Grade Learning Strategies and Study Skills seminar with over 60 people in attendance. The comment I heard most often was, "Now I realize that I have a different learning style than my child." Hopefully it was helpful in creating a more effective homework routine.

As we get into the heart of February we have several exciting events coming up. Our annual Math-a-thon will take place over February Vacation. The grade level packets will be distributed just before vacation. Students can seek pledges for the work they do. The pledges can be flat dollar amounts or amounts based on the number of problems they get correct. The packets and pledge sheets are to be turned in

after vacation and they are corrected by a loyal group of volunteers headed up by parent Kris Carbonneau. The money raised through the Math-a-thon goes towards items such as additional recess equipment or technology items for the classrooms

Lincoln School is also preparing for our first ever International Week and Festival. This will take place the week of March 8th. We are planning on having guests from various countries around the world join us on Friday, March 12th for our festival. Students will be able to tour displays in the café and have the guests visit their classrooms. The morning announcements will be heard in a different language each with other events during the week as well. This will be a great way to celebrate Lincoln's diversity as we have students born in 13 countries and we have 16 languages spoken in the homes of our families.

I hope you all enjoy the February vacation week and take some time with your family. When we return in the last week in February, I look forward to seeing many of you for our PTO sponsored Family Movie Night on Friday, February 26th.

Lincoln Highlights

- Lincoln School collected \$1012.00 for the Haitian Relief Fund that will be donated to the Clinton Foundation with the United Nations.
- Congratulations to Mrs. Joslin for her front page story in this week's Melrose Free Press about her book Abe's Freedom.

Water to be sold during lunch

Special Note from Chartwells:

Chartwells will now have 12 oz. Dasani Waters, on sale for students at lunch, for the price of \$1.00. Students wishing to purchase Dasani Water must pay with cash or have a positive balance in their account in order to pay for water.

Rotating Art Gallery

The following 3rd Grade students have their art work on display in our Rotating Gallery in our Main Office Conference Room. The works were based on warm and cool landscapes using chalk.



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| Adam Bain | Marino Preziosa | Sara Colozzi |
| Matthew Bornstein | Mia Catalini | Jillian Stone |
| Noah Bird | Max Salkin | |

Lincoln students (from L to R) Antonina Nadeau, Mya Marshall, and Roger Nadeau at Stoneham Bank using the coin counting machine to tally Lincoln's collection for the Haitian Earthquake Relief Fund.



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Respect * Effort * Safety*

4th and 5th Grade Lincoln CARES Principal Awards

At recent grade level assemblies, students who were nominated for a Lincoln CARES Principal's Award received their certificates. These students were acknowledged by Lincoln staff members for displaying the characteristics of the Lincoln CARES motto. Our K-3 students are also recognized for receiving paw stickers throughout the month.

The following are the nominated 4th grade students from January and 5th grade students from the months of December and January.

4th Graders

January

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| Ryan Donahue | Isaiah Andrade |
| Hannah Powell-Flatt | Pedro Souza |

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| Justin Smith | Darren Parker |
| Alyssa Villappa | Lindsey Antione |
| | Elena Rios-Dussourd |

**5th Graders
December**

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| Toan Vo | Nick Chan |
| Yvanne Ngassa | Mikayla Miller |
| Emily Bain | Matt Oteri |
| Kevin Driscoll | |

January

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| Nate Shu | Samantha Shields |
| Anthony Rizzo | Yasmin Kasbi |
| Nick Shelton | Emily Fong |
| Noah Cheema | Nicolette Adrian |