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# Lincoln Avenue School

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Greetings Lincoln Families,

We continue to *march* along this school year—and are happily awaiting spring to arrive! Thank you for ensuring that your child comes to school dressed warm during these cold, winter months.

There are so many things happening here at Lincoln Avenue School; it can sometimes seem like a never-ending roller coaster of events. We appreciate your attendance at our basketball and volleyball games, Black History Month performance and Science Fair luncheon. More opportunities to come and support are in the works and we cannot 2 thank you enough for your support this year!

This month our 3rd-8th grade scholars will take the Illinois Assessment for Readiness. There are Reading and Math sections for 3rd-8th 3 grade scholars, and the 5th and 8th grade scholars will take a Science component. This is our annual state assessment to determine how your child is progressing. We ask that all scholars get a great night's rest each night and are here daily, on time and ready to "SHOW WHAT THEY KNOW".

We appreciate your involvement and trusting your child to us through-7 out the school day and for our extra curricular activities. Lincoln staff remain committed to providing the best academic, social and emotional environment for your children. We encourage you to continue to share your feedback with us. Currently we are asking every parent/ guardian to complete the 5 Essentials survey before March 29, 2024. This survey provides our school district with vital information on our performance in serving our scholars and the community. If you do not have Internet access, you are free to also come by the main office and complete the survey here at school.

11 Elementary parents:

http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/

Junior High parents:

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http://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/survey/parent/

Thanks as always for all that you do!

Educationally yours,

Principal Stingily & Assistant Principal Williams

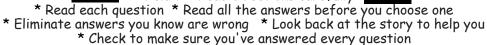
## **MTSS Facilitators**

#### We Are Smart Cookies!!

March is the month we show the state how **SMART** we are by taking the Illinois Assessment of Readiness tests in Math, Reading and Science. Below are some tips you can remind your child about before taking the tests.

Test Taking Tips for Students

\* Relax \* Read directions carefully



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POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS & SUPPORTS

## **Safety Facilitators**

As we step into March, we are excited to share the latest updates on our school culture and the vibrant happenings within our educational family. At Lincoln Avenue, we believe that a positive school culture is the heartbeat of academic success, and we are dedicated to fostering an environment where every student feels valued, supported, and inspired.

Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) remains a cornerstone of our school culture. This month, our students will continue to embrace the core principles of PBIS, demonstrating safe practices, respect, and responsibility. Teachers and staff have been actively implementing PBIS strategies in the classrooms, creating an atmosphere that promotes positive behavior and academic success.

Lincoln is also empowering our scholars to take an active role in shaping our school culture, we are thrilled to showcase various student-led initiatives. From organizing community service projects to promoting inclusivity, our students are driving positive change within our school and beyond. So, thank you to our scholars and to our amazing families for your continued support. Let's March into greatness.

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## **Support Programs**

March is a month of new beginnings, friendship, and most importantly learning. We are very proud of the progress our students have been making towards their goals. Keep up the good work. This month we will be reading some short texts about some of our great women heroes. Please keep Support Programs informed of any important events in your child's life or with any questions you may have. With only three months left of school, let's finish strong. I encourage you to communicate with me by email at wellsd@district148.net and by telephone at (708) 201-2075 ext.2081.

Can you solve this riddle?

I'm round and red, a symbol of love, given on a day you're thinking of. A message of affection, I convey on Valentine's, I make your day!

What am I?

## **Kindergarten Team**

In Math, please practice counting to 100, counting objects to 20, recognizing numbers to 20, adding and subtracting to 5. In Reading, please practice your sight words as well as blending, segmenting and decoding simple words. We will be celebrating Dr. Seuss!

We look forward to seeing you at Parent-Teacher Conferences!

Thanks for all your support!

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## 1st Grade Team



Happy Spring! First Graders are continuing with our iReady Reading program focusing on consonant blends. Please practice sight words that are sent home weekly and practice reading aloud at home.

In iReady Math, we will be working on strategies for adding/subtracting to 20, teen numbers, and 2-digit place value. Please continue to work on math fact fluency at home. We are using Flying Classroom to become future engineers and scientists as we tackle various STEAM challenges weekly!

Please make sure your child has the necessary school supplies. Please continue to monitor your child's homework throughout the week. Thank you for your cooperation as we work together to prepare for 2nd grade!

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## **2nd Grade Team**

In Reading, scholars will continue to read to understand. Students will learn how characters in a story respond to major changes and events. Scholars will use key details to describe characters

and use context clues to help determine the meaning of unfamiliar words and phrases.

Scholars will practice writing sentences using dictation from the teachers. Scholars will continue working on using proper capitalization and punctuation.

In Math, the scholars will work on greater than, less than, equal to. Scholars will work on place value, as well as adding and subtracting three-digit numbers.

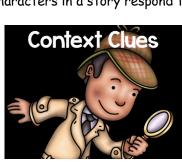
In Science, scholars will learn Earth's Land, Air, and Water. Scholars will work on Earth's Weather and Seasons.

In Social Studies, scholars will expand their knowledge of famous women in history.

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## **3rd Grade Team**

Dear Parents.

March is here and our third graders will continue to prepare for the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) during class time. Please watch for more information and details in ClassDojo before the start date. We will be reading two fiction stories this month. Our focus will be to remind students to ask the Essential Questions: How do photographs, illustrations and details help us to better understand? How do writers compare and contrast information? Our math lessons will focus on measurement, elapsed time and data as well as an overall review for IAR. Please see that your child completes practice homework assignments. In science, we will continue to learn about major types



of ecosystems (forests, grasslands, deserts and freshwater). Our social studies lessons will focus on current events and locating places on a map.

Thank you for your support!

Mrs. Bourke, Ms. Dominski & Mrs. Guiton

## 4th Grade Team



Hello Lincoln Eagles and happy March! Our fourth graders are continuing to work very hard this school year. In math, we are finishing up with multiples, factors, and division and are moving onto fractions and angles for the remainder of the year. Please encourage your scholar to work on their math facts at home. Scholars should be completing 20 pathway minutes a day in order to reach their goal. In reading, we are continuing to build stamina and are working on theme, main idea/supporting details, and ordering events. Scholars should continue to read 30-45 minutes a night. We are encouraging students to start reading chapter books to begin preparing

them for 5th grade!

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## 5th Grade Team

March winds are moving our scholars right along through the 3rd Quarter. This month our focus will be on informational text. Scholars will identify and explain the reasons and evidence that support the author's points in a text. Did you know that Elizabeth Blackwell was the first woman in America to receive a Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) when she graduated from New York's Geneva Medical College? In the month of March, we will focus our instruction on influential women in honor of national Women's History Month. Please continue working at home with our scholars on the memorization of their timetables as we work on I-ready lesson's adding, subtracting, multiplying, dividing decimals and fractions.



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## **6th Grade Team**

Hello Parents,

This month the school has been celebrating Black History Month. In our history class, we are covering black history from the first slavery ship that arrived in America in 1619 to the year 2021. In March, we are going to study successful black entrepreneurs, leaders, and educators. From that point, we will be shifting to personal finance that will empower our students to be successful businesspeople and important assets to their communities.

In science we are continuing to study ecosystems, biomes, and adaptations of animals and plants. The "flying classroom" program will allow students to create their own volcanoes!

In Math we are continuing to study Decimals (adding, subtracting and multiplying) and will start learning how to use an algorithm to divide whole numbers and decimals.

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Mrs. Angel -angela@district148.net

Adding \$
Subtracting
Decimals

Mrs. Williams - williamsp@district148.net

## 7th Grade Team

Greetings Parents/Guardians,

March is here!!! I'm hoping the snow is gone for good. We're continuing to work hard like busy beavers constantly devouring new concepts. Please continue to check in on your scholar to get a glimpse of what they are learning.

Mrs. Chatman - Math - chatmanm@district148.net

It is almost time for our scholars to take their Constitution Exam. They have been putting in a lot of hard work and I am sure they will do their best. Please continue to work with them at home for 10-20 minutes at a time to help them be more confident in retaining the information. Thank you for all of your help.



Mr. Blankenship - blankenshipn@district148.net

Hello parents, I hope that everyone will have a fantastic St. Patrick's Day! Students have been learning about matter and its interactions, and are now learning about how organisms live, grow, respond to their environment, and reproduce. Parents please check in with your children daily to assure that they are studying and completing assignments successfully. Thank you for all of your support!

Mrs. Rahmah - 7th Grade Science - rahmahk@district148.net

Greeting Parents and Stakeholders are currently starting Unit 4 (Craft and Structure in Literature) where we will focus on Analyzing the Structure of a Poem and Rhyme and Repetition. Our writing will focus on Informational Text where we will write a write a report for Women's History Month. We

continue to build our vocabulary with Greek and Latin roots and multisyllabic words. Just a reminder scholars should be in uniform daily (white shirt and blue slacks), it would be nice if they had a sweater for the change in temperature within the building.

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Mrs. Cade - English/Language Arts - cadec@district148.net

## 8th Grade Team

Math: Students will give a general description and describe the effect of rotations, translations, and reflections. Students will also engage and explore the IAR Digital Library, in preparation for the Illinois Assessment of Readiness. Please encourage your student to complete three iReady My Path lessons each week.

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Social Studies: Students will be learning about the women that have made significant contributions to history.

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ELA: Make sure our scholars get plenty of rest because we will be testing our ELA skills on the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR).

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Science: The 8th grade scientists will delve further into scientific measurements and illustrations. They will also recognize Women's History Month, learning about the various contributions of women that lead to advancements in science and technology.

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## **Art Class**

February is black history month. Will teach students about famous Black and Hispanic artists.



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## **Computer Class**

Happy spring, Lincoln Families! In computer class this month, students will engage in a research project that will allow them to start thinking about specific colleges and careers. Students will use the internet to do an in-depth study on the career of their choice. Students will find information about the job description, work activities, required education, and the yearly salary paid for their chosen career. Once they have gathered all of this information, students will put their findings into a slideshow in Canva.

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## **Music Class**

Happy Music In Our Schools Month, Lincoln Community! I'm so excited to spend the month celebrating all of the benefits of a strong musical education from an early age! Did you know that music accelerates brain development for babies and kids, enhancing fine and gross motor skills, executive function, and sensory development? It does! Studying music also nurtures creativity, builds empathy, helps people better express their emotions, and so much more. It brings me such joy to make music with your kids every day!

Ready to support your child's music education? There are great opportunities for it in March! Kindergarten through fourth grade students are participating in the Lincoln Family Music Project. Find all of the details on the form sent home with them or check ClassDojo for more! Fifth and sixth grade students will be designing and building their own instruments this month-you can help by sending along clean and usable recycled material (tissue boxes, paper towel rolls, pop bottles, etc.). Thanks for sharing in the music making!

Mrs. Kendra Purscell-Jackson - purscellk@district148.net



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## **Physical Education Department**

This month, our PE classes will be participating in a wide range of activities. The classes will first be finishing the racquet unit they started in February. The racquet unit consists of tennis, badminton, and pickle ball.

During IAR testing, our students will be taking part in engaging cardiovascular fitness games to elevate their heart rate and increase blood flow. Students will be playing high-energy games that focus on teamwork and increased levels of physical activity.

As always, please remember to send your child to school with gym shoes. Junior high students should also be wearing the district required PE shirt and shorts.

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## **News From CARE**



The students are working hard to learn new skills, complete their assignments, and follow the Social Contracts in their classrooms. Ask your child what some of the values of the Social Contract in their classroom are!

#### Family Activity Ideas

-Visit a museum in Chicago
-Hike at Starved Rock (Utica, Illinois)
-Read a chapter book as a family each night
-Board Games
-Make homemade pizzas and watch a movie together

#### Words of the Month

PBIS Character Word: Self-Control Restorative Justice Value: Cooperation Capturing Kids' Hearts: Communicate

Remember to SOAR like an EAGLE!

## The Nurse's Corner

## Attention 5th Grade Parents

Parent's this is a reminder if you have a student in 5th grade that will be going into 6th grade, Take them on or around their birthday this year to keep their immunizations up to date these are state requirements: TDAP, MCV4, and physical. If your student have asthma (Asthma action plan required by Doctor) or any allergies (food, or seasonal) or any other medical conditions (please make sure you speak with one of the school nurses. Please have the doctor fill out the following forms you can get these forms from the nurse:

- 1. Asthma form
- 2. School medication form
- 3. Authorization Exchange information

Parents: please make sure the office has any updated telephone numbers. If a student is sick, please keep the student at home. If they vomit, they should be home for 24 hours without vomiting before returning to school (Ex. Student vomits on Monday, observe at home for 24 hours on Tuesday, as long as they do not vomit Tuesday, they can return to school Wednesday). If further clarification is needed, please call the nurse at extinction 2117.

#### Dear Parent/Guardian(s),

March is poison prevention/awareness month. With spring on the way, the Poison Control website has posted pointers in preventing poisonings from common household items. Please visit the following website for more information https://www.poisonhelp.hrsa.gov.

- Keep household cleaning products in original containers and follow directions for use and disposal
- Allow good ventilation when using chemicals by opening windows or using fans
- Stay away from bug and weed killers that have been sprayed for at least an hour
- Wear protective clothing when spraying
- If you suspect someone has been poisoned, call the Poison help line and talk with an expert at 1-800-222-1222. They are open 24 hours a day/7 day a week. With the warmer weather on the way, it is a great way to motivate your child to go outside, get fresh air and exercise. Inspire your youngster to get fit with 10-minute bursts of activity.

Here are ways to put them on the road to getting 60 minutes, or more, of exercise a day.

- Do a routine with jumping jacks, toes touches, knee lifts, squats, and lunges. One person can be the leader, and the other follows his/her moves.
- Take "power walks" around the block or up and down the stairs in your home. Pump your arms as you go.
- Start a skipping contest. You could skip across the backyard, through a nearby field, or down the sidewalks.



## **Lincoln Honors Assembly**

## Congratulations to all of our scholars!



## **Dolton Library Visit to Lincoln**







## **Lincoln Sports**











Boys Basketball Team

## **Lincoln Spelling Bee Winners**







## Congratulations, Parish Roberts and Ameila Harding!

## **Lincoln PBIS Assembly**











## **Lincoln Yeti Day**













## **Lincoln Office**

## **Questions?**

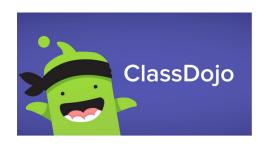
The main office is open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to serve you. In both offices there are free book tables and copies of flyers, permission slips and other documents to keep you in the loop! If you have any questions regarding registration, classes or the instructional day, we will assist you as quickly and as best as we can! Feel free to call at 708-201-2075.



Thank you again for your continued support!

## **Lincoln Communication**

In continuing with our goal to be more green and help the environment, Lincoln School will work towards going paperless this school year! Teachers and staff will communicate through ClassDojo and other applications. When this information goes home, please opt in to receive notifications for your child's teachers as well as the main office. We have many events on a weekly basis and are trying to minimize the amount of paper, and in essence, trees we use. Please make sure the main office also has your email address and a current phone number.





#### **Dates To Remember:**

- **March 2024**
- Mar. 01 SIP & Spirit Day; 12pm dismissal
- Mar. 04 NO SCHOOL; Casmir Pulaski Day
- Mar. 08 National Junior Honor Society Induction
- Mar. 15– End of the 3rd Quarter
- Mar. 28 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Mar. 29 No school; Spring Break begins
- Apr. 8– Classes resume

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#### Save the dates:

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May 22– 2PM 8th grade graduation

May 27 – Memorial Day- no school

## **The Function of Education**

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success."

~ Henry Ford

