The Lincoln Log

January 9, 2017

Principal Points…

Welcome back and Happy New Year to you all! As we kick off the 2017 year, we look at wrapping up the last few weeks of the second quarter grading period on January 20th! That means we will be half way done with our school year already! The students will be participating in some Mid Year Assessment Data in both reading and math content areas this month, and I will be excited to share their progress with you in terms of the percentage of student gains we have made into the target benchmark areas for this time of year in each grade level! This will also help me determine how on target we are with our School Learning Objective and Goals - we targeted a 10% increase in the number of students scoring Prof. and Above on the District Report Card from 1st to 3rd quarters - as well as a gain in the percentages of students falling at the targeted benchmark levels in the Aimsweb screening assessments we give three times yearly by Spring as well! I look forward to sharing our progress with you in the Areas of Reading, Math and Behavioral Outcomes by February!

We are emphasizing the character Trait of "Hard Work" this month here at Lincoln! Last month's emphasis on Self Control was celebrated with some "Minute to Win It" challenges of students vs. staff in fun and friendly competitions right before Winter Break! Students earned tickets especially for Lunchroom Behavior and Self Control Traits in December, and those students had the chance to vs. the staff members for their great efforts in these challenges - a great time was had by all! Check out our TWITTER handle for great pictures and fun! @WausauLincoln !!

Thanks to everyone that attended our Winter Concert at West just prior to break! We had wonderful attendance, and the students did a fantastic job! Special thanks to Ms. Melora Cumberland for preparing our students for an amazing performance, and for your support of your child's music education!

Booster trainings occurred all this past week to remind us about our Expectations and Jobs here at school to be Safe, Respectful, Responsible, and Compassionate! Boots, hats, mittens, and snow pants are required to play on the field, snow, and equipment! If students come outside with shoes only, they will be asked to talk with a friend next to the building where it is dry in order to stay safe in these very cold temps! Thanks for your support of our Safety Guidelines!

Please come and see me if questions or concerns…
Sincerely, Julie Schell, Principal

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School Hours

8:15 am Playground supervision begins
8:30 am First bell rings
8:35 am Start time/Tardy bell

Playground supervision begins at 8:15 am, please do not send or drop off your student before this time.

Important Phone Numbers

Attendance—715-261-0965
First Student Bus—715-842-2268
G2M After School Programs—715-261-0970

DATES TO REMEMBER

January

10–13 Art Cluster (for selected students)
17 Parent Series—6-7:15pm
19 PTO Family Dance –6-7:30 pm
19 G2M Semester 1 ends
20 Second qtr ends (Early dismissal @ 11:30 am)
23-24 District inservice—No classes
25 Spirit Day
25 Author Marla McKenna visits grades 2 & 3
25 Parent Series—6-7:15 pm
27 PBIS Winter Fun Day– dress warm!!
27 Grade 4 to school forest
31 Parent Series—6-7:15 pm

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WSD E-Flyers

Remember to check out E-Flyers for a listing of family friendly activities and events sponsored by the Wausau School District.

Mark your calendar!!!

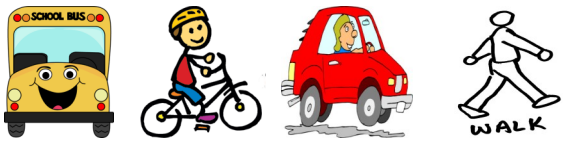
- **Jan. 20 — 2nd qtr ends (Early dismissal @ 11:30 am-No lunch served)**
- **Jan. 23-24 District inservice—No classes**

Messages for Students

With almost 300 students in our school it is very difficult to deliver personal messages. Please make after school plans, transportation decisions, etc. ahead of time. Teachers do receive messages during the lunch hour.

Please call the office before 12:00 noon with messages for students to ensure timely deliver of the message.

Teachers give priority to their instructional time, so we try to minimize classroom disruptions with phone calls. Thank you!!



Students Going Home

Please remember that your student has a 'regular' plan for dismissal at 3:30 pm every day after school.
If that plan changes, parents must send a note or call the school office. If not, we will follow the 'regular plan', i.e.:*bus, *walk, etc.
Please remember dismissal for the school day is at 3:30pm and for the after school programs at 4:45pm. It is important that students be picked up promptly at these times.
We appreciate your assistance!

Visit our school web site at:

www.lincoln.wausauschools.org

Winter Weather/Outside Recess

Students will be outside each day for recess unless the temperature is below zero or it is raining!! Please dress your student appropriately for the weather!

PTO NEWS

The January "Family Dance/Eggroll Sale" sponsored by our PTO has been postponed due to limited interest and participation for planning. We greatly hope to provide more information at the "Lincoln's Birthday Celebration" Family Fun Night in February! Look for ways that evening and in upcoming newsletters that you can support the Parent/Teacher partnerships we hope to continue, and sponsor the school activities/materials and funds that the PTO currently provides to support the children at school! Stay tuned for more information!

Follow us on Twitter: Lincoln's Twitter

WSD Snack/Treat Policy

Any snacks/treats to be eaten in the classroom must be purchased from a store with the ingredient label. Birthday treats must be nut-free, store bought, and labeled with ingredients. No homemade treats of any kind are allowed to be shared. Peanut butter and other nuts may be eaten only in the cafeteria.

Notes from the Nurse

We like to keep all students safe and healthy at school. Please keep your child home from school for:

***Vomiting or diarrhea** –More than once in 24 hours
***Fever**—temperature is greater than 100.5 –Students must be fever free for 24 hours without fever medication
***Pinkeye**—May remain in school if there is no fever
***Strep throat**—Keep student home until culture is read and 24 hours of antibiotics is completed
***Lice**—may return to school immediately after Treatment

If you have further questions, please contact Kathy Becker RN at 715-261-0750.

G2M News-Before and After School Programs

Please remember the after school program will continue until January 19th.
Classes continue on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:45 pm.

Session 2 classes begin the week of December 5th and run until January 19th.

There will be NO after school classes from January 23rd until February 6th while we prepare for Semester 2 classes..

Semester 2 flyers will be coming home mid to late January with classes beginning the week of February 6th through May 11th **covering Sessions 3 and 4.**

Early Risers and LitBit will continue to meet each morning school is in session until May 11.

iPad Enrollment!!

If you have not already registered your child's iPad, please do so! All iPads need to be enrolled regardless if you buy insurance. If devices are NOT enrolled parent/guardians will be responsible for damages.

Call the school office for your child's student number then, click here to enroll your child's iPad. The web site is one2onerisk.com.

SAVE THE DATE

Healthy Eating For Busy Families

UW-Extension together with Lincoln Elementary will be offering 3 nights of fun and excellent information on healthy eating habits.

Please set aside the following dates:

Tuesday January 17
Wednesday January 25
Tuesday January 31
6:00 to 7:15pm

Parents will meet in the library and students will have activities in the gym.
Limited to the first 10 families to register.

Registration forms went home and are due January 10th.

WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT GIFTED & TALENTED
STUDENT NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations are now being accepted from parents and teachers of second through fifth grade students in need of gifted and talented evaluations. Parents and teachers are welcome to nominate students who are currently achieving at a high level in mathematics and/or reading, approximately at the top 5% of the class. Teachers have already nominated some students for these evaluations. If you have already completed a *Permission to Evaluate for Gifted and Talented Identification Form*, no further steps need to be taken. Students who are already identified as gifted and talented do not need to be re-evaluated.

Parents whose second through fifth grade child has not been previously nominated as gifted and talented and who feel that they have a high achieving child may pick up a *Permission to Evaluate for Gifted and Talented Identification Form* with the *Parent Inventory Form* on the back from the school office. **Nominations from parents are due by January 30, 2017.**

When the completed parent forms are returned to the school office, each student will be scheduled for several assessments. These will be done sometime during the school day. These assessments, along with other test data, will provide the district with a student profile. This profile will help determine whether or not a child meets the District's guidelines for gifted and talented identification. The assessment review is expected to be completed in May and the results will be shared before the end of the school year.

The Wausau School District recognizes that appropriate instructional challenge is needed for all students, regardless of ability. The GT identification process is one way to help us provide for the educational needs of high ability students. Should you need further information, please contact your building's GT Learning Resource Teacher or Tammy Steckbauer, Coordinator for Gifted and Talented, at 715-261-0220.

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