



Lincoln Times

5th Grade Edition - May 2013

Here's What's Happening in 5th Grade!!

Music-Mrs. Hill

Fifth graders have been working on music form. They have been "dissecting" music to determine how and why the sections of music are put together. They are learning the difference between verse and refrain and common forms such as rondo form, or theme and variation.

Sunrise Singers have a busy spring schedule with the following:

May 6 Beginning band and Sunrise Singer concert 7 P.M. @ HS

May 8 Beginning band and Sunrise Singer concert at Lincoln 2:30 P.M.

The week of May 13 during national nursing home week, we will travel to the area care facilities

May 30 Sunrise Singers perform at Adventureland, leave at 8 A.M. perform at 3:30, home by about 6:30 P.M.

Art-Mrs. Humphreys

A new 5th grade art project is posted on the Lincoln Art website. Please take a minute to view your child's art.

<https://sites.google.com/a/washington.k12.ia.us/lincoln-elementary-art/>

ELP - Mrs. Sieren

Our famous person reports, powerpoints, and background boards are just about complete. Yeah! It has been a long process, but certainly one that the kids have seemed to enjoy and take pride in. Remember that the presentations will be on May 14 in the Lincoln gym. We will start at 6:00. Your child will need to be dressed like their famous person and bring a food item that in some way relates to them. Plan to serve about 75 bite-sized pieces. All family members are welcome to attend. I will supply plates, forks, spoons, napkins, and drink.

See you on the 14th!

Book Trade!!

Let's fill Mrs. Steinhart's bathtub with books!



- *Must bring a book to trade a book.
- *Start bringing in your books the week of May 20th.
- *Books must belong to you, are age appropriate and in fair condition.
- *Trading begins on the last day of school.

Notes from the Office

Attendance/Absence Line

An attendance line has been set up for absences in the district. Parents can now call 653-1101 and will get a greeting. They can then press a number to select which school they would like to leave a message for, and then will be able to leave a message about an absence. This will be helpful if you need to call Lincoln about an absence before anyone is in the office at 7:30. You may still call the main office to report an absence, but this is a second option for those parents that are heading off to work early. Thanks for your help in letting the Lincoln office know when your student will not be in attendance.

May Dates to Remember:

- Wed., May 1 - 3rd Grade Field Trip to Cedar Rapids
- Mon., May 6 - Beginning Band and Sunrise Singer Concert at 7:00 at the High School
- Fri., May 10 - GUM Day - Pay \$1.00 to chew gum all day long. Gum .25 each or bring your own.
- Tues., May 14 - 5th Grade ELP Famous Person Night from 5-8 in the Lincoln Gym
- Thurs., May 16 - 5th Grade Adventure Day
- Tues., May 21 - Family Gardening Night - 6:00 - 7:30
- Thurs., May 23 - 4th Grade Field Trip to the Amana's
- Fri., May 24 - KIDFEST - 4:30 - 8:30 at Central Park
- Mon., May 27 - Memorial Day - NO SCHOOL
- Wed., May 29 - Star Party
- Thurs., May 30 - Sunrise Singers to Adventure Land
- Fri., May 31 - Quiz Bowl from 1:10 - 2:10
- Fri., May 31 - Last Day of School - 2:20 Dismissal**

Summer Dates to remember:

- Month of July - Summer school on Monday, Tuesday, Wed. and Thursday from 9 - 11:30 AM
- Month of June and July - Free Summer Lunch program for all students. from 11:00 - 1:00 each day at Lincoln.
- Wed. August 21 - 1st Day of classes for the 2013-14 school year.

Notes from the Guidance Office

This has been a great school year at Lincoln Elementary. I had the pleasure of working with an amazing group of students. Throughout the year we focused on character education, bullying, and leadership. Help your child continue to develop these important life skills. Have a safe and fun summer.

Notes from the Principal

The end of the school year is fast approaching. This is a time of changing weather and different activities at school including field trips, concerts and changed schedules. It is also the time of year when students are most likely to lose their focus on getting homework done or following rules. Students sometimes interpret changes in the schedule as the beginning of summer. It is very important that we at school, and you at home remind students to keep working and stay focused until the last bell rings.

On Friday, May 24, 5th grade students will be going to the middle school for a 6th grade orientation. Lincoln will be hosting a orientation for current 2nd graders on Thursday, May 23, during the school day. 2nd grade students will be coming to Lincoln for an orientation and a tour of the building. Lincoln will be hosting summer school for students that are working below grade level. Teachers will contact parents of students that will need to attend.

The summer lunch program will once again be running. During the summer, free lunches will be available to all of the children of the Washington Community Schools starting on Monday, June 4 at Lincoln Elementary.

Parent support is the key to a school's success. I would like to thank you as parents for the support that you give to Lincoln Elementary and its staff. We could not be successful without you!

Have a great month and a relaxing summer!

David Hoffman, Principal
Lincoln Elementary School

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