



JAG JOURNAL

Lincoln Heights Elementary School

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February 6, 2012

Dear Lincoln Heights Families,

Isn't the sunshine just wonderful? It's hard to believe we are in the month of February. This stretch of the school year heading into June is critical for our students. Teachers are deep into content and curriculum; students are independently applying their new knowledge and skills. Please help us in keeping your child plugged into school by making attendance a priority. We are noticing an increased number of students tardy in the morning. Please take time to prepare a morning routine and plan to avoid any delays in getting to school.

For the next three months, our staff will be busy getting your students prepared for some upcoming assessments including the KOLLA (Oral Language and Literacy Assessment) for kindergarten, DRA Reading assessment for grades 1st-6th, MAP (Measurement of Academic Progress) for grades 3-5 special education students and all 6th grade students and the MSP, our state assessment in grades 3-6. This year, all 5th and 6th grade students will be taking the MSP on-line. Please visit this website <http://assets.drcedirect.com/States/WA/Tutorials/Student/201201/201201.html> with your child to become more familiar with the online system. Students will also visit this website with their teachers in March and April as they prepare to take the assessment online.

Attached to this letter are some helpful tips in supporting your student (s) with homework. Reading to your child and having your child read on a daily basis is critical to their success. Recently, I read an article titled, *Reading on Grade Level in Third Grade: How It is Related to High School Performance and College Enrollment*. This article states "Learning to read is one of the most important skills in modern society. Not only does reading serve as the major foundational skill for school based learning, but reading ability is strongly related to opportunities for academic and vocational success.... We find correlational evidence that students who are at or above grade level in third grade, graduate and attend college at higher rates than their peers who were below grade level in third grade." It was an interesting article. Let's take time to enjoy a good book with your child today! The more they read, the better they read!

We would like to say thank you to our Lincoln Heights families for following safe traffic rules around our school. We have observed the following:

- ❖ Parents park and then get out and walk their children across the street.
- ❖ Avoiding waving students to cross the street instead of having them use the crosswalk.
- ❖ Choosing to park down the street and having their child meet them at their vehicle.
- ❖ Slowing down in parking areas.
- ❖ Watching for pedestrians.
- ❖ Following patrol directions.
- ❖ Single parking on 23rd
- ❖ Choosing not to do U-turns on 23rd

Our students are much safer because of your consideration. Thank You!

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at 354-3298.

In partnership,

Nancy Lopez-Williams, Principal



Please Remember to Vote by February 14th!



School Hours

Student school hours	9:00 a.m.	to	3:00 p.m.
AM Kindergarten	9:00 a.m.	to	11:30 a.m.
PM Kindergarten	12:30 p.m.	to	3:00 p.m.
Thursday student hours	9:30 a.m.	to	3:00 p.m.
Thursday Kindergarten hours			
A.M.	9:30 a.m.	to	11:45 a.m.
P.M.	12:45 p.m.	to	3:00 p.m.
Outdoor Supervision	8:45 a.m.	to	9:00 a.m.
	3:00 p.m.	to	3:10 p.m.

Conference Week Schedule **March 26 - 30**

Mon., Tues, Wed., Friday

Grades 1-6	9:00 am	to	1:00 pm
AM Kindergarten	9:00 am	to	10:30 am
PM Kindergarten	11:30 am	to	1:00 am

Thursday late start

Grades 1-6	9:30 a m	to	1:00 pm
AM Kindergarten	9:30 a m	to	10:45 am
PM Kindergarten	11:45 pm	to	1:00 pm

Bloomsday Training

The Lincoln Heights Jaguar Bloomsday Training Club is being offered this year again for all students in grades 1-6.



The 9 weeks of practice will begin on February 28 at 3:15-4:15 pm. on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Participation/permission forms MUST be in before the deadline, February 15, 2012.

Watch for informational letter and forms to come home with your student.



PTG Skate Night

Wednesday, February 15

6:00 - 8:00 pm

\$4.00

\$2.50 extra for roller blade rentals.

Roller Valley Skate Center
9415 E 4th Ave Spokane Valley, WA 99206

Come join us for a fun night out!

Upcoming Events



February

7	PTG Meeting
14	Valentines Day
15	PTG Skate Night
17	Snow Make-Up Day
20	President's Day NO SCHOOL

March

7	Scholastic Book Fair
9	PTG Family Dance
13	PTG Meeting 6:30 pm
16	Turn in Box Tops
26 -30	Parent-Teacher Conferences Early Dismissal 1:00 pm

April

2-6	Spring Break
10	5th & 6th Grade Choir South Hill Choral Festival Ferris High School 7:00 pm

Lunchroom Giveaway Winners

Elvis Presley's Birthday - Hound Dogs

Oleg Lepekhin	Logan Anderson
Samantha Browne	Gunner Pietz
Christian Fey	Jacqueline Egger



Breakfast Giveaway - Water Bottles



Taiya Coleman	Amer Matinjanin
Ryan Escobar Hartnett	Ellora Hebner
Jasmine Hansen	

Kiss a Shark Week



Gracienne Erickson Gamboa	
Richard McDonald	Meya Smith
Aldijana Sabanovic	Brett Krise Bourg

Punxsutawney Phyllis

Paris Neeley	Destiny Swedberg
Katelyn Davaz	Dominique Arquette
Bramdo Cozino	



24 HOUR ATTENDANCE LINE

354-3313

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Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the school district's Title IX officer and/or Section 504/ADA coordinator. Title IX Officer, Jon Swett, (509) 354-7399 * Section 504 Coordinator, Wendy Bleecker, (509) 354-7248 * ADA Officer, Mark Anderson, (509) 354-7272 * Affirmative Action Officer, Ivan Bush, (509) 354-7344 * 200 N. Bernard Street, Spokane, WA 99201-0201.