

NEWSLETTER

Dear Lincoln Families,

The holiday season brings about joy, excitement and the wonderful opportunity to be with friends and family. In the White Bear and Lincoln Communities, we are truly blessed to have so many families who are able to provide the love and support no matter their need.

GRADES 1 AND 2 CONCERT TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3rd - Please be aware that the Grades 1 and 2 Concert is this Tuesday, December 3rd at 6:30 p.m. at District Community Auditorium located at 4855 Bloom Avenue, White Bear Lake. Please note the change in location.

COLD WEATHER GUIDELINES - Now that Winter will finally arrive, please be aware that students can be out on the playground for noon recess and BEAR Time when the wind-chill and air temperature is -10 degrees or warmer. Please double check to ensure that your child has the boots, hats, mittens, and winter coats required to stay warm.

PLEASE LABEL your child's outside gear in case they get left behind. Labeling makes it a lot easier to return the item to their owner.

Children who walk to school in the morning will have patrols at the intersections when the air temperature is minus 10 below or warmer, or the wind chill is minus 20 below or warmer. **FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE PATROLS**, please arrive to school prepared to go outside each day no matter the temperature in the morning. Mrs. Thom and I will evaluate the weather to determine if patrols will go to their intersections or not.

LINCOLN GALA SUCCESS! - The October 25th Gala was once again a huge success. I would like to extend a sincere thank you for the leadership of Jess Mische and many Lincoln parents and staff for their assistance and hard work putting an event like this together. We appreciate, Abby Kath, Lincoln Kindergarten teacher and WBLTA Teacher of the Year, for being the keynote speaker.

THE "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" REHEARSALS WILL BEGIN DECEMBER 9th - Over 140 students have registered for the production, "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" in either the chorus, stage crew, or a speaking role. Parents interested in volunteering (whether for 2 hours or 20+ hours) for this fun and memorable event, should send an email to LincolnPTAProductions@gmail.com. "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang" performances are scheduled for March 27th, 28th and 29th, 2020.

NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON AWARD CEREMONY - Thank you to all Lincoln staff and families for your support regarding Lincoln School recognition of becoming a National Blue Ribbon School. Recently, I had the honor of attending the ceremony in Washington DC as representative of our wonderful school community. Joining me was Lincoln's 5th grade teacher (Ms. Sitka) and Supt. Wayne Kazmierczak. At the ceremony we received our NBRS plaque and flag.

Sincerely, Dan Schmidt-Principal

KEY DATES

Thanksgiving Break
No School

November 27th-29th

Music Program

Tuesday, Dec 3rd 6:30pm
@District Aud
Grades 1&2

Lincoln PTA Night Out

Thursday, Dec 12th
4pm-10pm
Punch Pizza

Winter Break - No School
December 23rd to
January 3rd

LUNCHROOM

Just a reminder, if your child is on the free/reduced meal program, they are able to get breakfast each morning here at school at no charge. However, students on the free/reduced program must pay .50 if they buy milk or juice only. In addition, all kindergarten students are also able to get breakfast for free!!

Children will order these in the morning from their classroom teacher.

Thank you

Mrs. Frogner and Mrs. Wilcox

ENRICHMENT

Hello Families,

Look for information to be coming home about the 2019-20 Carlson Art and Science Fair in mid December. This year, it will be held on Tuesday, January 28, 2020. Start thinking of and possibly working on a project you would like to display. We can't wait to see your unique ideas!

Thank you to all of our Art Adventure volunteers for getting trained from the Minneapolis Institute of Arts for our upcoming Art Adventure lessons in January. We are excited to have you come in and teach us about the art and do an art project with us. 4th and 5th grade will be visiting the MIA this year in late February to learn even more about the art.

Lisa Servatius from the White Bear Center for the Arts was just to teach her first art lesson this year with us. Come and take a look at what the kids created.

Thank you to all of you for your time and effort with helping make the 2019-20 school year special for the students here at Lincoln Elementary School!

Greg Hjelm - Enrichment Coordinator

CHINESE

Ni hao families,

Students are learning Chinese high frequency words in 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade. Each grade will have a different set of words to explore. Students will enjoy these words through stories, games, songs, and TPR methods. Kindergarten will explore colors and first grade will learn the story of Three Mice in Chinese.

Important: Please explore the benefits of learning a second language:

<https://www.actfl.org/advocacy/what-the-research-shows>



TEACHER OF THE YEAR

It's time to celebrate educator excellence as part of the White Bear Lake Teacher Associations' Teacher of the Year program. The process begins with nominations from community members, parents, students and colleagues. Please take the time to nominate an exceptional educator who goes above and beyond and who makes White Bear Lake Area Schools a great place to send our students every day.

Former Teachers of the Year Nick Marty and Abby Kath are coordinating this year's process. Nominations are open until January 10th, 2020, at 4:00 pm. Once the nominees are announced, they will have the option to continue to participate in the WBLTA Teacher of the Year selection process by submitting their responses to a series of questions regarding teaching and learning. Of those teachers aspiring to represent our district as the 2020 WBLTA Teacher of the Year, six will be chosen as finalists. All nominees and finalists will be honored at the South Campus Theater on April 23rd when the White Bear Lake Teacher of the Year will be announced.

This nomination form is also being included in official White Bear Lake Area School district communications, but you are encouraged to share this link with all staff, parents and students who might want to nominate an amazing member of the White Bear Lake Teachers Association.

TOY DRIVE

Collection Dates: December 2nd - 12th

Location: School Office

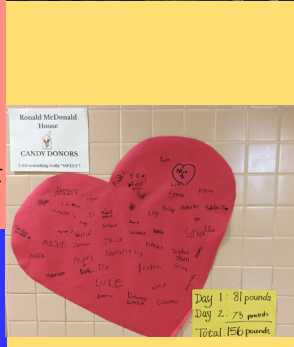
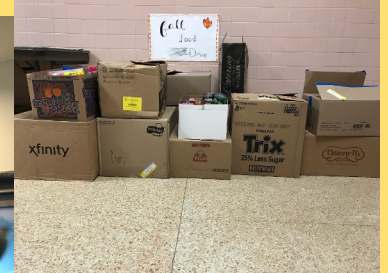
Requested Items: Toys for boys and girls who range in age from infancy to sixteen years old are needed. Especially needed are toys, books, and puzzles for boys and girls that are eight to sixteen.



**Donated toys should be new and unopened. Toys should not be wrapped, but left in the store packaging.*

STUDENT COUNCIL

There was an amazing amount of food and household items donated to the Fall Food Drive. Lincoln did a fabulous job helping restock the White Bear Lake Emergency Food Shelf. In addition to the items sent in \$153 of monetary donations were collected.



WHITE BEAR LAKE FOOD SHELF

Monthly Market Neighbors schedule an appointment to shop for items like fresh produce, dairy, meat, bread, and non-perishable pantry goods.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00am-12:30pm.

Tuesday, Thursday: 4:30- 7:00

Bonus Saturday Bonus Saturday is available to all by appointment only. In addition to shopping our Monthly Market, neighbors are eligible to come every Saturday to receive additional items such as fresh fruits and vegetables, fresh salads, yogurt parfaits, and fruit juices.

PATROL CORNER

As winter approaches, and with the very cold days that we often have, we want to remind you of our Extreme Weather Hotline. Students who walk to school should check this number on extremely cold days. Patrols are required to show up for duty regardless of weather conditions.

We want families to be aware of when patrols will not be on duty at their corners, so starting in December, there will be a Patrol Hotline with a recording to keep you informed. That number will be 653-2600, Ext. 1433 and it will be updated by 8:00 am. The message will allow you to find out if patrols will be off duty or will be at their corner to check for walkers at 9:00 am. You are encouraged to call the Hotline on any morning when you question if patrols are on duty.

The criteria established will be as follows. If the air temperature is -10 degrees, there will be no patrols at the corners. If the wind chill is -10 degrees, the patrols will get to their corners at 9:00 am and look quickly for students to cross. If they don't see any students, they will immediately head back to school so they are not in any weather-related danger. Finally, if the wind chill is -20 degrees (regardless of the air temperature), we will not be sending out the patrols.

Mrs. Thom

School Patrol Supervisor

Patrol Extreme Weather Hot Line Video



HOLIDAY ANGELS PROGRAM-2019

HONOR SOMEONE SPECIAL!

For some students, a warm coat on a cold winter day, a hot meal in their tummy and having the same school supplies as classmates can make all the difference in the world.

The Holiday Angels program gives our community an opportunity to share with those in need while honoring a school district staff person, friend or community member.

The White Bear Lake Area Educational Foundation (WBLAEF) is pleased to announce the kickoff of our annual Holiday Angels program, a special fundraising initiative for the Angel Fund of the WBLAEF. The Angel Fund provides funding to cover the expense of winter coats, boots, hats and mittens, backpacks, school supplies, basic food and clothing, and even temporary housing for students and families in need. Whether the result of a job loss, unexpected extraordinary medical expenses or any number of situations, the needs of our students and families increase each year.

In this season of giving and receiving, consider honoring the people who touch your life daily. Maybe you have a favorite mail carrier, teacher, neighbor or police officer. Holiday Angels is a way to honor those important people in your life, while helping someone in need.

To participate:

1. **Fill out the Holiday Angels donation form on the reverse side of this document.**
2. **Send it with your donation to the WBLAEF office by JANUARY 1, 2020.**

The Foundation will then send a personalized Angel Fund holiday greeting card to your special person stating that you have chosen to honor them during this holiday season with a gift to the WBLAEF Angel Fund.

“No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another.”

— Charles Dickens

Holiday Angels Program - 2019

HONOR GIFT / DONATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT

INFO OF PERSON YOU ARE HONORING:

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: (**and** building, if a district staff person):

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

INFO OF DONOR/S:

Name(s) of donors to be listed on card: _____

Amount of gift: \$ _____ (will not be listed on card, unless requested by donor)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email address: _____ Phone number: _____

Payment method: Cash ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card (VISA or MC) ☐

Card No.: _____ Exp. Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Signature: _____

Additional message for the inside the card: _____

RETURN: PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM BY **JANUARY 1, 2020** TO:

WBLAEF Holiday Angels
4855 Bloom Ave., Room 116
White Bear Lake, MN 55110

****If you or your family needs assistance from the Angel Fund, please contact your school Principal.***

The WBLAEF is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Many employers have matching grant programs available that can increase your donation to the Angel Fund.

For more information on the WBLAEF, please visit us at www.wblaef.org or call 651-407-7696.

EAT TRUE TO YOUR SCHOOL

★ *Fund Day* ★

Support Lincoln Elementary PTA

When: Thursday, December 12th, 2019

Time: 4 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Where: Punch Pizza Vadnais Heights
1018 East County Hwy 96

(Dine In or Carry Out)

Present this flyer to the cashier and 20% of your purchase will be donated to our school!

