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LINCOLN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER  
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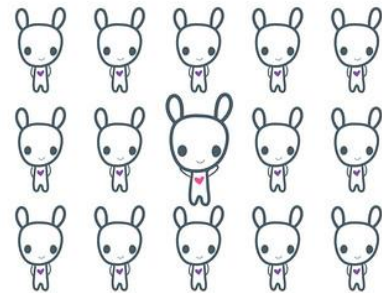
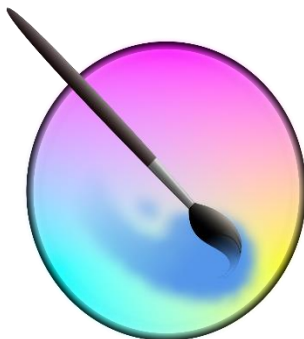
**Pre-School News:**  
**Ms. Sinclair**

The Pre-K students continue to grow and learn as the school year continues into the new year! We are learning about the letters K, L, and M. With these letters, the Pre-K students are working on tracing and identifying upper/lowercase letters as well as their letter sound. In Math, we are learning about the numbers 10-13, comparing groups, and matching shapes. The Pre-K students have been learning through Math centers and show great turn-taking skills. We are continuing our winter unit, as well as beginning a new unit called "Express Yourself." This unit includes painting, drawing, building, and other forms of expression like puppetry, singing/dancing, and dress up. The stories that will be read this month will be based on different forms of art and music.

**Upcoming Events:**

**January 30: Staff Development – 1:00 Dismissal**

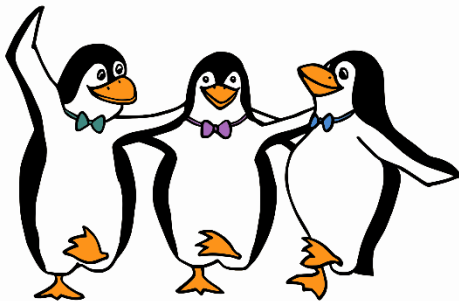
**February 17 & 18: Presidents' Recess – No School**



**Express Yourself.**

## Ms. Husti and Ms. Lascar

Winter is here and the children are doing well with practicing their self-help skills. Many of them are toilet training, learning to unpack and put their things away, as well as putting on winter clothing to go home. We also celebrated Martin Luther King Jr. Day by painting a peace project and listening to a story about his life and dreams. The children are enjoying their time learning new winter songs and skills, and looking forward to the arrival of snow. We are currently learning about the habits of winter animals such as penguins and bears. We enjoy dancing like a penguin and hibernating like a bear. Stay warm!



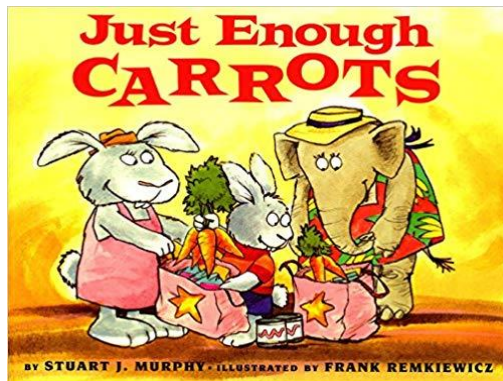
## Primary News: Ms. Capazzi

The students continue to work on developing their reading, spelling, phonics, writing, and math skills. The Kindergarten students have learned about our flag, government, and our capital city. The older students have learned the cardinal directions, and are currently working on a unit on landforms. All of the students participated in activities about Martin Luther King Jr.



## Ms. Latour Bush

Happy New Year! We have gotten off to a great start in 2020! This month we are learning all about penguins! We learned about the parts of a penguin, penguin chicks, where they live, and what they eat! In Math, we have been practicing identifying greater than/less than, more and less. We used the book "Just Enough Carrots" by Stuart J. Murphy to practice this concept! We have all been working really hard on all of our goals, and we think 2020 is going to be a great year!



## Intermediate News: Ms. Cioffi

This month, in Ms. Cioffi's class, we have been exploring different ways to experience winter in the classroom. The students have played with fake snow, made sensory snowmen bottles, read books with a winter theme, and had a snowman scavenger hunt. They learned the appropriate clothing to wear when it is cold out! What the students loved most of all was creating their Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights) chalk landscapes. Everyone has loved learning about winter and all that it has to offer. Even though we are looking forward to warmer weather, the students have fully embraced our winter theme this month.

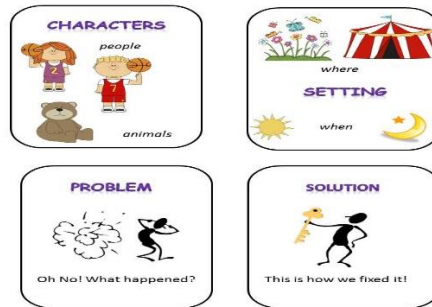


## Mr. Hayes

The Fifth and Sixth-grade students in Mr. Hayes' class are reading Jerry Spinelli's classic novel, *Loser*, to gain exposure to literature. The guided reading lessons allow students to sharpen their comprehension skills on characters, setting, and plot. Also, students have created new covers and comic strips for the novel to develop higher-order thinking skills. Additionally, they are hard at work on leveled reading texts in their Raz-Plus accounts. All students in the class are looking forward to next weekend's Super Bowl, and the delicious food that comes with the big game. The new year is off to a great start in Room 210!

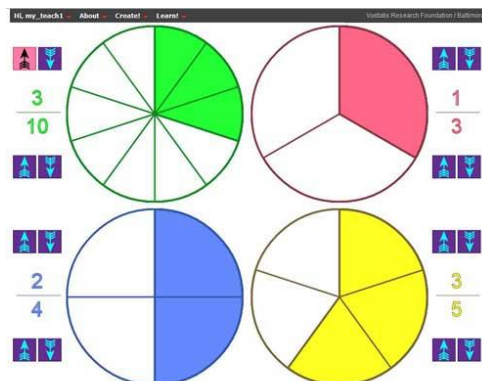


### Story Map Visuals



## Resource Room News: Ms. Lane and Ms. Morrison

We have been working really hard in the Resource Room. In Language Arts, we have been working hard on fiction story elements, and have been busy reading our fiction novels. We have also become published authors of our personal narratives. Soon we will be starting our opinion pieces! In Math, some students are beginning fractions. They are excited to learn new concepts. We continue to practice all of our basic facts through games and our IXL program.



## **Ecology Club News: Mrs. Coyle, Mrs. Dornan, Mrs. McCullough, and Mrs. Salvatore**

Last week, the Ecology Club learned about drinking water and how it is cleaned, from a representative of Suez Water. The presenter read a book focusing on water—our planet’s most important resource—its journey as it moves through our world, and the importance of conservation. As part of the activity, the students were “transformed” into water droplets traveling through the water cycle. With a roll of a cube, students simulated the movement of water while picking up beads at different designated stations, culminating in the creation of a water bracelet.

