



NEWSLETTER Week of October 4, 2021

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Upcoming Events:

October 11th - Columbus Day - No School



Mrs. Alkin



Lincoln School participated in the Week of Respect! The Sixth Graders worked diligently to create presentations for the younger students. They presented lessons about the different Pillars of Character. Their collaboration has taken an innovative level, through the use of their new Chromebooks, sharing through Google Docs, presenting on new Smart Panels, and using meaningful literature through Epic Books. It was an exciting and memorable experience for the children.

The staff and students at Lincoln School participated in Theme Days to review different aspects of showing respect. Some of the Theme Days are Lincoln School favorites, while others are new and different. We had some fun, and still remembered the importance of consistently being respectful with each other.



Our students are always learning the importance of showing acceptance and appreciation for all. A youth advocate from the New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome visited with some of our classes this week. We are grateful to have this special opportunity to continue to build inclusive and successful learning environments.





Ms. Butler

Dance is off to a great start, now that we are back in person! All the students are ready to go, now that the preliminary procedures are taken care of. We set a good foundation with learning how to behave in dance class, helping to create a safe space, memorizing our spots, and learning the newest activity, how to travel across the floor.



As students learn how to show



respect and support for each other, Dance class, this year, will be something that is sure to enrich every student's experience.

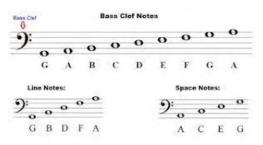
Mr. Carbone



Music is in full swing here at Lincoln School. Grades K-2 are building their song repertoire. Many songs help reinforce other subjects, from letters and numbers, to planets in our solar system. Our Third Grade is learning how to read notes on the treble clef staff, and starting rhythm. Finally, our grades 4-6 are learning how to read music on the treble and bass clef

staffs. We are also happy to

announce that Lincoln School's Band is getting back together. Last week, Dr. Ferraro forwarded an email to 4th-6th Grade parents full of information about the program, such as where to rent instruments, a Google form/sign up sheet, and much more. The



deadline for submitting the Google Form is October 15th. Lessons will begin the week of October 25th. If you have any questions regarding the Band program, please email me at mcarbone@rpschools.net.

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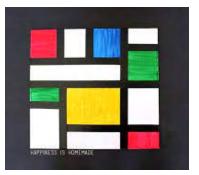


Ms. Collova

Happy Back to School, everyone! In the Art room, we are working on our very first projects of the year. Kindergarten is learning about the three primary colors, and completing a mixed media project based on the artist Piet Mondrian. The 1st Graders learned about the warm and cool colors, and



are reinforcing scissor and glue skills, with a collage. 2nd Graders are working hard on an abstract composition inspired by Wassily Kandinsky. The 3rd



Graders are pulling out the paintbrushes for a fun owl at night painting. 4th Graders are working on city skyline landscapes, using a simple printmaking technique. The 5th Graders are learning about the value of colors (how light or dark a hue is), and putting that knowledge to work in an oil

pastel project. 6th Graders reviewed color theory, and are now challenged to be creative and reinvent the (color) wheel! We are all very excited to be back in person together, working with our art materials to be creative and solve problems. I can't wait to share all their beautiful works of art with you all!





Ms. Conticello and Ms. Elborki



The Speech Therapy Department has been busy getting to know all of our students! Our students have transitioned nicely into the new Speech room, and together we are

working towards accomplishing their speech and language goals. Our youngest students are working on sequencing,

naming objects and actions, using longer sentences, and following 1 to 2 step directions. Our older students are working on their speech sounds, expanding their vocabulary by learning new antonyms, synonyms, and multi-meaning words, combining sentences using conjunctions, and identifying adjectives and adverbs in sentences. We are looking forward to having an amazing year!







Mrs. Coyle and Ms. Guider

Our BSI students are working very hard on their reading skills. The Kindergarten students are learning to write letters using the correct letter formation. First and Second Graders have been reviewing short vowel sounds. Our Third through Fifth Graders



Fifth Graders are working on the IXL computer program, which focuses on Math and Language Arts skills. Please remind your



child to read nightly, to reinforce the skills

that they are learning in school. We hope to meet many of you at our upcoming BSI Open House.

Mrs. Davidson, Ms. Haystrand, and Mrs. McKenna



The Occupational Therapy students are having fun making fall fine motor crafts. They are strengthening their hands and using different textures!











Ms. Fares

We have had a great start this year in Technology class! The Kindergarten, First, and Second Graders are learning about the mouse and keyboard. They are using Keyboard Zoo in order to practice finding the letters of the alphabet on their keyboards. The Second Graders are also learning to log onto the computer, using their own private username and password, and then getting into Google Classroom. The Third through



Sixth Grades also logged onto Google, in order to join Google Classroom. They then began working on Typing.com, in order to brush up on their keyboarding skills. They will also have time to enjoy the typing games that the site provides. We have many exciting projects to work on, in Technology class, this school year!





Mr. Fells and Mr. Mazzarisi



The new school year has started off strong, with all our students returning to in person classes. Students in Grades K-3 have been learning about boundaries and proper throwing techniques, by participating in "Backyard Boogie." Students must stay in their designated "backyard," or side of the gym, and attempt to throw a ball at the other team's "ghosts." The older students have been learning the rules and skills of Volleyball. Through a variety of lead up activities, students have learned the correct techniques of the

bump, set, and serve. A fun game of "Over-Under" provides students with the opportunity to use throwing skills, and dodging skills, with the volleyball net in

place, but break away from traditional volleyball activities. At the end of every class, students participate in "The Final Five Minute Focus." Using a big smart board on the stage, students follow along to an array of videos aimed at lowering their heart rate and calming themselves down. Mindfulness activities and yoga are used to refocus students to be prepared to reenter the classroom setting.



During Health classes, the younger students learned about the importance of washing their hands, colds and flu, and going to the doctor. Older students have been discussing returning to school, and the anxiety associated with returning, after being away for so long. Students have also been learning about First Aid, how to treat minor injuries, and what to do in case of an emergency.

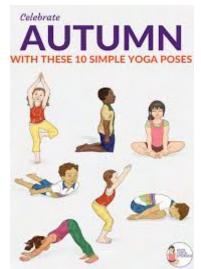




Ms. Graves



The students are having fun in Physical Therapy. We have been doing lots of gross motor games, with a fall theme. We have been jumping over pumpkins, and doing fall yoga moves. Our next themes are football and Halloween.



Ms. Hahn and Mrs. Morrison

We are so excited to be back, and to see our students' smiling faces. Our students are busy working hard, and adjusting nicely to a new school year. In ELA, we have been working on characters, setting, nonfiction vs. fiction, and we have begun writing our "How to" essays. Students have been engaged in a variety of lessons, as well as group discussions. We have also been working on grammar to improve our writing skills.

In Math, students are working on addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. We have also been working on



place value and rounding, and comparing numbers. Students are using IXL,

Quizizz, Prodigy Math, and Kahoot! to assist in learning. The students have been working hard to master their skills. We are so proud of them, and all of their hard work!





Mr. Haskaj



In Spanish classes, we went over greetings, introductions, and goodbyes. Students had a lot of fun greeting, introducing, and saying goodbye to one another in real conversations. They watched videos of native speakers greeting each other differently from their own culture. Furthermore, students sang songs, worked in groups, read cultural articles in Spanish, and took a quiz.



Ms. Molina

Hola y bienvenido a la escuela de Lincoln a mis estudiantes de Kindergarten! Hello Kindergarteners, and welcome to Lincoln School! We have slowly started school with basic greetings and some simple songs in Spanish. I hope you can practice at home:



Hola - Hello. ¿Cómo te llamas? -What's your name? Me llamo _____. - My name is ____. ¿Como estas? - How are you? Adios! - Bye! We will be starting

to learn the colors in Spanish next. Gracias y hasta pronto! -Thank you and see you soon!









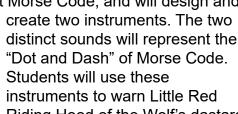
Mrs. Morris



Enrichment and Gifted and Talented classes are off to a great start! The Kindergarten and First Grade classes completed a lesson all about the zany book *Ten Apples Up On Top,* by Theo LeSieg (Dr. Seuss). During this lesson, students learned about balance, and practiced their counting skills. Students balanced bean bags on their heads, and built towers to hold real apples! The Second Graders have been working on an architecture unit.

We read *Iggy Peck, Architect,* by Andrea Beatty, and built sticky structures. Students then designed and built 2-Dimensional shapes using toothpicks and clay, and 3-Dimensional shapes using toothpicks and gumdrops. The

Third Grade Gifted and Talented group is working on a twist of the classic fairy tale *Little Red Riding Hood*. In this twist, the students learned about Morse Code, and will design and







Riding Hood of the Wolf's dastardly plans! G & T Fourth Graders are designing and creating their own comic strips! These comics are centered around "real life heroes." Comics must show, not tell, why their character is a true hero. Both the 5th and 6th Grade G&T students have begun a CSI unit called *Who Stole the Chocolate*? During our first class, the students encountered a crime scene, and safely collected the evidence. Each week, students will complete a forensics lab, surrounding a piece of evidence, until we discover who the culprit is!





Mrs. Salvatore

Mrs. Salvatore's classes got off to a great start! Kindergarten students are learning initial consonant sounds, writing their names, letter formation, and all of the vocabulary that begins with each letter. Grade One is working on vocabulary and sight words. Older students are





explorers, the Aztec civilization, and the Aztec city of Tenochtitlan. Grade 2 students are learning about animal habitats. We are learning about woodland, grassland, and desert habitats. We just learned that the black bear is the largest land mammal in New Jersey!

Reminder: Don't forget ESL/BSI Night will be on October 21st, at the High School.



