



LINC LN SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER
Week of May 15, 2023

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Upcoming Events:

May 26th-29th - No School - Memorial Day Recess



Mr. Carbone



A special thank you to the students, faculty, and staff at Lincoln School for another successful completion of our Spring Concert! Such success cannot be accomplished without you. We have two remaining graduation ceremony performances for both 6th Grade and Kindergarten.

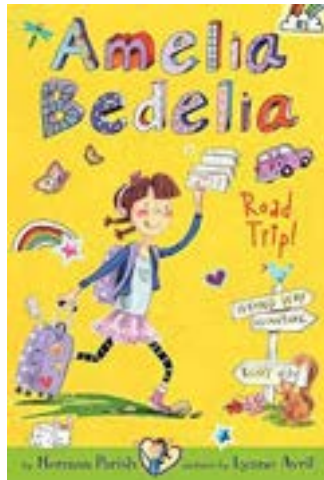
Instrumental lessons are canceled due to testing. After testing, lessons will be optional, as per the lesson schedules.



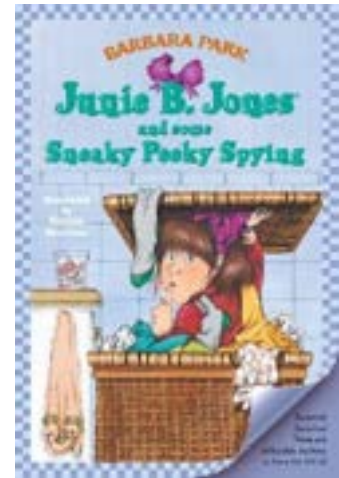


Mrs. Coyle and Ms. Guider

We are so proud of how hard all the older students have worked on their state standardized testing. We would also like to thank the PTA and everyone who played a part in making us feel special during Teacher Appreciation Week.



While our students are constantly reading, we recently recognized National Children's Book Week with some additional stories. Since 1919, National Children's Book Week has been dedicated to encouraging young readers to enjoy books. Some classic story collections include the Junie B Jones and Amelia Bedelia books. These books are wonderful for prediction, as well as enriching students' vocabulary. *Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business* and *Junie B. Jones and Some Sneaky Peeky Spying* are some examples of Junie B Jones titles. Some Amelia Bedelia titles to look out for include *Amelia Bedelia and the Surprise Shower* and *Amelia Bedelia Road Trip!*



Ms. Conticello and Ms. Elborki



This month in Speech-Language therapy, we have begun transitioning out of our spring activities and getting ready for summer! Our PreSchool and lower grades have been working on position words (i.e., on, in, under) to expand our sentences, as well as learning new summer vocabulary. Our older students have been working on their speech



sounds and auditory comprehension to expand our receptive and expressive language skills in the classroom. Keep up the great work!





Ms. Molina



¡Hola a todos! - Hello to all! Kindergarten students have been learning the names of various farm animals, pets, and even animals who live in the ocean, through books, stories, and practice in class. First Grade students have been studying the names of the immediate members of the family and will soon begin a new topic, classroom objects. Second Grade students have become familiar with the names of some typical Hispanic dishes prepared for

breakfast, lunch, and dinner in different Spanish-speaking countries. Third Grade students are concluding their studies on Spain and are being introduced to Mexico and the other Spanish-speaking countries in Central America. ¡Gracias!



Ms. Fares

In Technology class, the students in Kindergarten and First Grade have been exploring the ABCya and PBSKids websites, and finding new and exciting characters and activities to work on.



The Second Graders are continuing to learn about Google Docs. The Third through Sixth Grades are taking the NJSLA, our state's standardized test. We all spent time working on many testing tools, in order to prepare for the test.



New Jersey
Student Learning
Assessment





Ms. Butler

Many students in Lincoln School are preparing to present their dance pieces on May 24th! All students in Grades 1-6 have been preparing for the show for several months and are encouraged to practice outside of Dance class, using their songs and videos that are available on Google Classroom. All videos can be found in the Classwork section under a similarly titled area, such as "Practice Videos," for example. The show will be recorded and posted using a private link for viewing!



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Practice Videos



Ms. Martinez' Class

Edited Apr 19



Mr. Rapp's Class & Mr. A's Class

Edited Apr 26

Mr. Fells and Mr. Mazzarisi



In Physical Education classes, students have started to revisit some of their favorite activities from throughout the year. The older students used their football throwing and catching skills to participate in "Football Frenzy," while younger students used their throwing skills to play "Save the Earth." First Grade students also demonstrated their spelling skills and letter recognition by participating in a game of "Locomotor Go-Fish."

Students had to perform the locomotor movement of their station to the middle of the floor to pick a card, then perform the movement on the way back. If the letter on their card matches a letter in their "locomotor word" they keep the card until they spell out the whole word!

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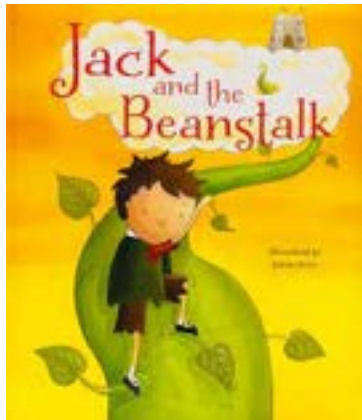


Our Health classes learned about "Growth Mindset," and how to think positively about themselves and to never give up! Integrating the word "yet" into their vocabulary can be very helpful. For example, "I can't do long division, YET!" Adding this word to the end of a sentence indicates that a person is willing and able to learn a new skill. This was a great lesson to visit, especially during state testing time!





Mrs. Salvatore



Mrs Salvatore's classes have been learning about plants. We just finished a unit on "Plants We Eat" and "Why Leaves Change Color." The students learned about photosynthesis, chlorophyll, parts of the plant, and which parts of the plants we eat. We planted "magic" beans right after reading several versions of *Jack and the Beanstalk*. The Kindergarten will be planting their beans next week and putting an extra "Fe Fi Fo Fum" on them to help them grow.



Some of our plants are almost a foot high already! We hope to be eating green beans from our plants before summer vacation!



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

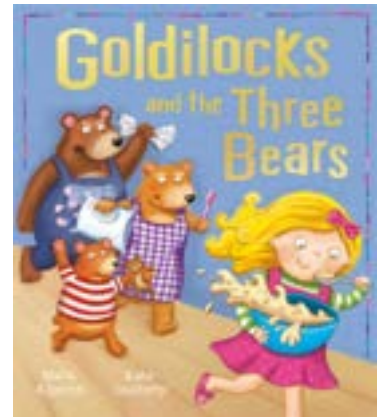
The past few weeks, we have been working on spring activities and Mother's Day Crafts in PT and OT. We jumped on lily pads to put frogs back into their pond. We also spelled out spring words on body boggle and did word searches. We worked on our cutting, coloring, and gluing skills while making Mother's Day Crafts. We hope everyone had a wonderful Mother's Day!





Mrs. Morris

It is hard to believe that May is here. We have been very busy in Enrichment and Gifted and Talented classes. Kindergarten through Second Grade have been participating in Fairytale STEM. Kindergarten and First Grade students heard *Goldilocks and The Three Bears*, adapted by Maya Alperin, and used this story to explore SEL and STEM activities. Kindergarten students built Goldilocks her own chair, while First Graders designed and built Goldilocks a bed of her own! Grade 2 students worked on problem solving and have begun their own fairytale STEM unit, "Hansel and Gretel Trap the Witch." In



this unit, students collaborate to design and build traps that Hansel and Gretel can escape, but the larger witch cannot! Grade 3 students continue building models of Tiny Houses! In the process, we are studying geometry, area, and perimeter. These houses are coming out so cool! Grade 4 students have completed their original learning board games, and we are now playing them in class! Grade 5 and 6 G & T students have been enjoying exploring the Strawbees building system. Currently, Grade 5 students are using them to design and build bridges, and Grade 6 students are designing and building catapults, to see who can project an object the farthest!





Ms. Jaworowski



Following their successful Art Exhibit on April 27th, which featured work from Grades 1-6, that was accomplished under the direction of Mrs. Collova, Lincoln School students embarked on new creative journeys with Ms. Jaworowski. After watching an animated read aloud version of Eric Carle's *The Mixed-Up Chameleon*,

Kindergarten and First Grade students practiced, then mastered, the art of how to draw a chameleon grasping onto a branch. They then experimented with "mixing" crayons of the primary colors of red, yellow and blue to create secondary colors of orange, green and purple. They are looking forward to redrawing their chameleons on good paper and mixing oil pastels for their final project in this lesson.



Students from Mr. Alkhazov's class, Mrs. Husti's class, Ms. Lane's class and Mrs. Bush's class printed cards for their moms for Mother's Day. They printed Andy Warhol-inspired Mickey



Mouse and Snoopy images for their cards using recycled styrofoam plates with engraved designs on them. The plates were "inked" using paint sticks. The students enjoyed watching the image of Mickey and Snoopy transfer from plate to paper.



Grades 2-4 were introduced to the bold and colorfully patterned art of Romero Britto. After viewing a video about Britto and his work, the students practiced emulating his style. They learned how to draw a Romero Britto-inspired dog, and how to use Britto's established patterns to color their unique creations.



Students in Grades 5 and 6 learned about the history of the self-portrait/photo selfie. After watching a video on the subject, the students then practiced pencil sketches of head and shoulder portraits following the guidelines for correct facial proportions. Once they master the technique of using facial proportion guidelines, the students will create their own color selfie on a phone template for the final project in this lesson. As June approaches, Lincoln School students put artistic exclamation points to their school year.





Mrs. Alkin

The Third Grade Kindness Club has been meeting together weekly during lunchtime. Our discussions began with being kind to ourselves and displaying kindness with our friends and family. Recently we've been talking about showing kindness within the community. The group decided they wanted to support children living locally in foster care. They organized a fundraiser for CASA, which is the Court Appointed Special Advocate program that represents children in foster care in New Jersey. The Third Grade Kindness Club presented CASA with a generous donation on Tuesday, at lunchtime. The children showed their kindness by asking well thought-out questions and being especially polite and respectful. A special shout-out goes to Mr. Rapp's Fourth Grade class and Ms. Jackson's Fifth Grade class for raising the most funds for this helpful organization. Thank you all for your participation and generosity!



Mrs. Graves



From the Nurse's Office:

I want to thank all of you for your kindness and good wishes during Nurses' Week! I truly felt so appreciated! It is always a pleasure to work in the "Best School" in the district. I am blessed to have an amazing staff, awesome students, and caring parents!

Thank you again so very much!

Sincerely,
Nurse Graves

