

# Lincoln Elementary School Newsletter

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## Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

Thank you to the PTO for providing the funds for the fence painting and landscaping! The flower beds look great! Thank you to Mrs. White, the Lincoln PTO, and all of our volunteers for an amazing Earth Day celebration last week! The children enjoyed all of the activities at each station. Thank you also to everyone for supporting the Lincoln Talent Show! The children did an outstanding job with their performances.

Students in third, fourth, and fifth grades will be taking SOL tests in May. Please see the schedule for the specific dates and times for your child's tests. The tests are untimed for every child and please encourage your child to try his/her best. We appreciate your support and parents may use the web site below to practice items with your child.

[http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/performance\\_analysis/index.shtml](http://www.doe.virginia.gov/testing/sol/performance_analysis/index.shtml)

The first week in May is Staff Appreciation Week. This is a great time to write a card to say thanks to a staff member. Thank you to our PTO and volunteers for planning special activities for our staff for this week. Thank you for your support and please call me at (540) 751-2430 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dave Michener  
Principal

## Upcoming Events

4/30	Domino's Night
5/1	BMX Assembly 1:00 p.m.
5/4-5/8	Staff Appreciation Week
5/4-5/8	Book Fair
5/4	Spring Chorus Concert 7:00 p.m.
5/4	Lego Club 2:40
5/5	Piano Club 2:40
5/5	Sports Club 2:40
5/6	Girl Scouts 2:40
5/8	PTO Muffins for Moms 7:30 a.m.
5/11	Lego Club 2:40
5/12	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading SOL 8:15
5/12	Piano Club 2:40
5/12	Sports Club 2:40
5/13	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading SOL 8:15
5/13	PTO Meeting 6:30 p.m.
5/14	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Reading SOL 8:15
5/15	Sam's Ride for Peace
5/18	Lego Club 2:40
5/19	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade VA History SOL 8:15
5/19	Piano Club 2:40
5/20	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Math SOL 8:15
5/20	Girl Scouts 2:40
5/21	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math SOL 8:15
5/25	Memorial Day Holiday
5/26	Piano Club 2:40
5/27	Kindergarten Orientation 7:30 p.m.
5/28	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math SOL 8:15
5/28	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Science SOL 12:15
5/29	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade D.A.R.E. Program 1:00 p.m.
6/1	Lego Club 2:40
6/2	Piano Club 2:40
6/3	Girl Scouts 2:40
6/8	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Trip to Blue Ridge
6/12	Field Day
6/15	Patriotic Day 9:00-12:00
6/16	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Program 12:30-2:30

## Library Mrs. Dillon

April has been a busy month in our small school library. We have been reviewing reference tools, celebrating National Poetry Month, and reading books about the environment. Some of the classes have been creating poems on Storybird.com, which is a site that uses art to inspire all kinds of writing. Many of our students love using this site, and it is easy to set up a free account at home at [www.storybird.com](http://www.storybird.com).

We are getting excited about our upcoming book fair, which will be open Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> through Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. As usual, the fair will be open before school, during lunch (after lunch has been eaten), and after school. Parents are welcome to visit and/or shop any time.  
Hope to see you soon!

## MAY 2015 PTO UPDATE

**Spring Cleaning Report...** Big Shout out to Coach Harris for helping the PTO round up the manpower for the Lincoln Spring Cleanup! We were able to replace rotted boards around the entrance benches, paint everything with a fresh and much needed coat of white paint, lay landscaping fabric around the courts perimeter to help with weed control, cut away all the dead trees hanging over the courts, spray for poison ivy, and lay 31 yards of Mulch on the grounds. Coach came to school during spring break to make sure the plan went off without a hitch, and we are grateful to have him! Next to come...improvements to the tennis courts and basketball court!

**Thank you to all the Earth Day Volunteers...** Earth Day this year was a big hit! We hosted our first ever petting zoo and enjoyed wonderful stations that included planting seedlings, painting a water barrel, making biodegradable bird-feeders, learning more about science & nature and more!

**April Teacher Appreciation...** Thank you 5th grade families for providing a healthy "Thank-You" snack for our wonderful Lincoln Staff in April!

**Would you like to join the PTO?...** Nominations for the 2015-2016 PTO Board and Chairs are OPEN. Please email your name or the name of a friend you'd like to nominate to [lizlittle73@gmail.com](mailto:lizlittle73@gmail.com).

**Lincoln's BMX Assembly...** Come ONE Come ALL!! 5/1 @ 1pm. Please park at Lincoln Meeting House and walk up to Lincoln.

**Teacher Appreciation Week is May 4th-8th...Theme = "Lincoln's SUPERHEROES"**  
Thank you students and parents for helping us spoil our staff again this year!

**Muffins For Mom...** May 8th. All moms welcome @ 7:30am!

**EASY MONEY...Dough Raising Night Class Winner TBA ASAP!!** Thank you Lori Erdman for putting this program in motion and thanks to all the families that supported our Dining for Dollars with Dominos this year. This partnership brought in roughly \$750.00 to Lincoln! Way to go!! ALSO, please don't forget to scan your receipts with **Shoparoo** by JUNE 16th!! We are very close to meeting our goal!!

**ATTENTION ALL 5TH GRADERS...** The PTO is so proud of all our 5th Graders!! We have secured each of you a BRMS t-shirt...you'll see it at graduation! Congratulations to you ALL!!

### Important Dates:

5/1 = BMX Assembly (1-2pm)

5/4 - 5/8 = Teacher Appreciation Week

5/8 = Muffins for Mom

5/13 = May PTO Meeting @ 6:30pm

6/12 = Yearbooks delivered to LES

6/12 = Field Day  
6/15 = Yearbooks distributed to students  
6/15 = Patriotic Day  
6/16 = 5th Grade Program

### Health Office Headlines

*Kathleen Oliver, HCS*

May! *May?* What's that you say? May is national **Better Hearing and Speech** month and it's also **Healthy Vision** month. All LCPS elementary students receive a vision & hearing screening in Kindergarten and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, and also any year and grade that they enter our schools as a new student. May is also national **Asthma and Allergy Awareness** month. Many of our students have begun to experience the symptoms of spring allergy season. We'll also be able to go outside more often as sunny, warm days replace the bitter cold and snow of this past winter. If your child requires **medication** or **lotion** to ease their *asthma* or *allergy symptoms* or a *sensitivity to sunburn* please provide the Medication Authorization form, medication or lotion to Ms. Oliver for your child to use when needed during the school day. Have a happy, healthy and safe Memorial Day weekend!



### **Music – Mrs. Stetz**

It is hard to believe that we are already well into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Time flies when you are having fun! The first graders have been learning to sing and place mi, so and la on the staff. The second graders learned about instruments of the orchestra with Prokofiev's Peter and The Wolf. The third graders sang and played octaves on mallet instruments. The fourth and fifth graders finished up their recorder unit. I am so impressed with how far they have come. In the month of May, all grade levels will be playing the ukulele. In addition, the first graders will be practicing ostinatos and learning some patriotic music. The second graders will be working on tempo and reviewing some music vocabulary words such as accent and D.C al fine. The third graders will be focusing on phrases and composing a group boomwhacker composition. In fourth grade, we will be reviewing note values, time signatures and rhythm writing. Fifth grade students will be learning about syncopation.

It has been a pleasure teaching the Lincoln students again this year. I wish all of you a safe and fun summer☺

## May Birthdays

5	Cole Hamblin		22	Chase Broaddus
10	Hadley Smith		22	Madeleine McKnight
10	Jack Thornton		23	Aine Sweeney
17	Samantha Marvil		29	Jack Kelly
20	Ayden Iverson		31	Shea Wynn
20	Grace Kestler			
20	Torsten Wegmeyer			

### Guidance - Mrs. Walton

From the Counselor's Corner

The first requisite of a good citizen in this republic of ours is that he shall be able and willing to pull his own weight.

~Theodore Roosevelt

Our character word of the month for April has been Citizenship. Here are some things that were shared with the students during class and guidance lessons to help them understand what it means to a good citizen.

Citizenship means...

- Do your share to make your school and community better
- Stay informed about important issues
- Be a good neighbor
- Obey laws and rules
- Respect authority
- Protect the environment

What Citizenship looks like:

- Cleaning up after yourself
- Listen to your teacher
- Respect others views and opinions
- Help friends in need
- Follow directions and obey school rules

Thank you to these students who were selected Student of the Month for April for showing the qualities of a good citizen.

Kindergarten – Brooke Mitchell

1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Ayden Iverson

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Emily Ackman

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Elizabeth Brubaker

4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Lyla Kalina

5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Zev Patel

Looking ahead to May, our character word will be fairness.

### **Art – Mrs. Fuller**

Art Night was a great success! Thank you to all who came and also helped with Art Night. First grade students are working on pinch pot creatures. We used additive and subtractive methods with our clay. We also drew our own Wild Things after reading Where the Wild Things Are. Second grade students are working on pop up cities. They are using paper folding techniques and mixed media. They are also creating Aztec suns out of clay. They will glaze these soon. Third grade students created Sumi-E Chinese brush stroke paintings and even made their own chop. We will be making 3D lizards out of paper. They are finishing their clay medals. They made medals about something they are proud of or something they would like to celebrate. Fourth grade students just finished printing their radial designs. They also are working with clay and making animal face jugs. Fifth grade students are working on an end of year self-portrait. They are also working in clay and will be weaving soon.

### **P.E. Coach Harris**

April is over and Lincoln students have been extremely active in PE. Activities included dynamic warm ups, soccer, basketball and handball. Fourth and fifth grade students are beginning spring fitness testing. Please make sure students are dressed properly for PE. Field day will be approaching soon, as always we will need volunteers so look for more information to come soon.

Regards,

Mr. Harris

### **Search Mrs. Bussey**

#### **CREATIVITY IN SEARCH**

Although we as a society value the products of creative people, we often don't know how to recognize it or encourage that creativity in children. In the LCPS SEARCH program, teachers use Thinking Keys to guide students in using different kinds of thinking for different SEARCH lessons. Those keys, Perceiving, Connecting, Reasoning, Evaluating, and Creating, align with Bloom's Revised Taxonomy: Remembering, Understanding, Applying, Analyzing, Evaluating, and Creating. Because we all recognize that different tasks require different levels and types of thinking, we want to give students the opportunity to explore many avenues for successful problem solving in the classroom.

In SEARCH, we emphasize that creativity is a series of steps that can be practiced and, with perseverance, can be increased. Many lessons ask students not only to create, but then to go back and

find ways to enhance and elaborate on their work. As they continue to work on projects, their confidence in their ability to “be creative” increases.

“Traditionally, creativity has been viewed as an easy process, something that people with certain traits were able to do while others without those traits could not. As our views of creativity have become more informed, we have come to appreciate the role of hard work and revision in the process.” Joyce VanTassel-Baska, Ed.D., College of William and Mary, 2004

Paul Torrance, the “Father of Creativity” identified four elements to creativity which he believed could be used to identify both creative thinkers and creative products: Fluency (the number of ideas generated), Flexibility (variety of ideas), Originality (uniqueness of ideas), and Elaboration (details of ideas). Both in school and at home, children can be encouraged to look at tasks from different perspectives, to continue to work on improving an idea, and to add details and elaboration.

For further reading: [http://blogs.edweek.org/teachers/unwrapping\\_the\\_gifted/2011/07/creative\\_thinking.html?qs=gifted+is+not](http://blogs.edweek.org/teachers/unwrapping_the_gifted/2011/07/creative_thinking.html?qs=gifted+is+not)

**MSAAC** The Loudoun County School Board is seeking one parent delegate from each school for the Minority Student Achievement Advisory Committee (MSAAC). **The next MSAAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, May at 7:00 p.m. at the Loudoun County Public Schools administration building.**

**May 2015 Lincoln Parent Calendar Lincoln (540) 751-2430 Hillsboro (540) 751-2560**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				April 30 Domino's Night 5:00-8:00	1 Friday Folders BMX Bike Assembly 1:00-2:00	2
3 Mr. Michener at Lincoln 7:00-11:00 M-W Thursday 7:00-4:30	4 Staff Appreciation Week May 4-8 Book Fair May 4-8 Lego Club 2:40 p.m. Chorus Concert 7:00	5  Piano Club 2:40 Sports Club 2:40	6  Girl Scouts 2:40	7	8 Muffins for Moms 8:15  Friday Folders	9
10 Mr. Michener at Lincoln 11:30- 4:30 M-W Thursday 7:00-4:30	11  Lego Club 2:40	12 4th Grade SOL Reading Test 8:15 a.m.  Piano Club 2:40 Sports Club 2:40	13 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade SOL Reading Test 8:15 a.m.  PTO Meeting 6:30 p.m.	14 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade SOL Reading Test 8:15 a.m.	15 Friday Folders  Sam's Ride for Peace	16
17  Mr. Michener at Lincoln 7:00-11:00 M-W Thursday 7:00-4:30	18  Lego Club 2:40	19 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade VA History SOL 8:15 a.m.  Piano Club 2:40	20 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade SOL Math Test 8:15 a.m.  Girl Scouts 2:40	21 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade SOL Math Test 8:15 a.m.	22 Friday Folders	23
24 Mr. Michener at Lincoln 11:30- 4:30 M-W Thursday 7:00-4:30	25  Memorial Day Holiday No School	26  Piano Club 2:40	27	28 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade SOL Math Test 8:15 a.m. 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade SOL Science Test 12:15 p.m.	29 Friday Folders  5 <sup>th</sup> Grade DARE Program 1:00	30

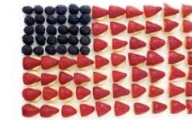
# May 2015 Elementary Menu

## Loudoun County Public Schools School Nutrition Services

<b>Elementary Meal Prices</b>
Breakfast - \$2.10
Reduced Breakfast - \$.30
Lunch - \$3.10
Reduced Lunch - \$.40
Lunch Entrée Price - \$2.50



<b>Daily Salad Meals</b>
Vegetarian Chef Salad
Traditional Chef Salad
or
Chicken Caesar Salad
Taco Salad on Taco Day #



<b>Adult Meal Prices</b>
Breakfast - a-la-carte prices
Lunch - \$4.10





Available Daily - Yogurt and Bagel, and SunButter and Jelly Sandwiches.  
Choice of Milk - 1% white, skim chocolate, strawberry and white

<p>Between preparing healthy food, adhering to strict nutrition standards, navigating student food allergies, and offering service with a smile, nutrition professionals have a lot on their plate. To celebrate their hard work and commitment schools will celebrate School Lunch Hero Day on May 1. All across Loudoun County, school nutrition professionals will be honored with thanks, cards, and recognition from students, school staff, parents and the community. Please stop by and say thanks to the School Nutrition Staff in your school.</p>	<p><b>Friday, May 1st</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friday 05/01</b></p> <p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Cheese Pizza * Pepperoni Pizza</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Honey Roasted Carrots Celery Sticks</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Applesauce Fresh Banana</p>		
<b>Monday 05/04</b>	<b>Tuesday 05/05</b>	<b>Wednesday 05/06</b>	<b>Thursday 05/07</b>	<b>Friday 05/08</b>
<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Breaded Mozzarella Sticks * Mini Corn Dogs</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Broccoli Fresh Baby Carrots</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Pineapple Tidbits Fresh Orange Wedges</p>	<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Pizza Crunchers * Spaghetti with Meatballs # with or without Garlic Breadstick</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Baked Plantains Shake-It-Up Salad </p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Peaches Apple Slices</p>	<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Chicken Fillet on Bun Grilled Cheese Sandwich *</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Corn Tomato Soup</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Pears Fresh Grapes</p>	<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Chicken Bites with or without Dinner Roll Fish Nuggets * with or without Dinner Roll</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Five Vegetable Salad</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Mandarin Oranges Fresh Orange Wedges</p>	<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Cheese Pizza * Pepperoni Pizza</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Peas with Carrot Coins BBQ Baked Beans *</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Applesauce Fresh Banana</p>
<b>Monday 05/11</b>	<b>Tuesday 05/12</b>	<b>Wednesday 05/13</b>	<b>Thursday 05/14</b>	<b>Friday 05/15</b>
<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b>  Sausage &amp; Egg Patty on Croissant Hamburger on Bun # Cheeseburger on Bun #</p> <p><b>Upside Down Day</b> <b>Breakfast for Lunch</b></p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Potato Medley Steamed Broccoli</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Baked Cinnamon Apples Fresh Orange Wedges</p>	<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Macaroni &amp; Cheese * Harvestland Beef Hot Dog on Bun #</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> BBQ Baked Beans * Cucumber Slices/Baby Carrots</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Pears Fresh Grapes</p>	<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Beef Nachos # with Shredded Cheese Cheese Quesadilla *</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Green Beans Oven Baked Onion Rings Fresh Baby Carrots</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Peaches Apple Slices</p>	<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Orange Chicken with or without Rice Beef Soft Taco #</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Corn Lettuce, Tomato and Cheese</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Pineapple Tidbits Fresh Strawberries</p>	<p><b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Cheese Pizza * Pepperoni Pizza</p> <p><b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Honey Roasted Carrots Celery Sticks</p> <p><b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Applesauce  Fruit Cone</p>

**Menu Key**  
Pork   
Beef #   
Meatless \*





Tuesday 05/18	Tuesday 05/19	Wednesday 05/20	Thursday 05/21	Friday 05/22
<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Breaded Mozzarella Sticks * Mini Corn Dogs  <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Broccoli Fresh Baby Carrots  <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Pineapple Tidbits Fresh Orange Wedges	<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Pizza Crunchers * Spaghetti with Meatballs # with or without Garlic Breadstick  <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Baked Plantains Shake-It-Up Salad   <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Peaches Apple Slices	<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Chicken Fillet on Bun Grilled Cheese Sandwich *  <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Corn Tomato Soup  <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Pears Fresh Grapes	<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Chicken Bites with or without Dinner Roll Fish Nuggets * with or without Dinner Roll <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Five Vegetable Salad  <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Mandarin Oranges Fresh Orange Wedges	<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Cheese Pizza * Pepperoni Pizza  <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Peas with Carrot Coins BBQ Baked Beans *  <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Applesauce Fresh Banana
Monday 05/25	Tuesday 05/26	Wednesday 05/27	Thursday 05/28	Friday 05/29
<b>Memorial Day Holiday</b>  <b>No School</b>  	<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Macaroni & Cheese * Harvestland Beef Hot Dog on Bun #  <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> BBQ Baked Beans * Cucumber Slices/Baby Carrots  <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Pears Fresh Grapes	<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Beef Nachos # with Shredded Cheese Cheese Quesadilla *  <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Green Beans Oven Baked Onion Rings Fresh Baby Carrots  <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Peaches Apple Slices	<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Orange Chicken with or without Rice Beef Soft Taco #  <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Steamed Corn Lettuce, Tomato and Cheese  <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Pineapple Tidbits Fresh Strawberries	<b>Choose One Entrée:</b> Cheese Pizza * Pepperoni Pizza  <b>Choose Two Vegetables:</b> Honey Roasted Carrots Celery Sticks  <b>Choose One Fruit:</b> Chilled Applesauce Fruit Cone 
Elementary Weekly Breakfast Menu				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Choose one entrée:</b> Scrambled Eggs on Mini Croissant * Cereal & Cheese Stick Breakfast Bar  <b>Choose Two Fruits:</b> Fruit Juice Fruit  Choose a Milk	<b>Choose one entrée:</b> Cinnamon Roll Cereal & Cheese Stick Peach Yogurt Parfait  <b>Choose Two Fruits:</b> Fruit Juice Fruit  Choose a Milk	<b>Choose one entrée:</b>  Sausage & Cheese Sandwich Cereal & Cheese Stick Breakfast Bar  <b>Choose Two Fruits:</b> Fruit Juice Fruit  Choose a Milk	<b>Choose one entrée:</b> Mini Pancakes* Cereal & Cheese Stick Pepperoni Bosco Stick   <b>Choose Two Fruits:</b> Fruit Juice Fruit  Choose a Milk	<b>Choose one entrée:</b> Breakfast Chicken Sandwich Cereal & Cheese Stick Breakfast Bar  <b>Choose Two Fruits:</b> Fruit Juice Fruit  Choose a Milk



Due to product changes, ingredient lists may not be 100% accurate. Due to product unavailability, menu substitutions may be made from time to time. To verify menu substitutions for your school, please contact the school nutrition manager. Please be aware that some food items served on the Loudoun County Public School menu may have been manufactured in a facility, or on shared equipment with other peanut or tree nut products.

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### Dr. B's Lunch Lines



As weather turns warmer, we begin to think of summer treats. School Nutrition has ice cream on our minds - but not in a traditional way. We are serving fresh fruit cones and Shake-It-Up Salads this month. Fresh berries and grapes fill our waffle cones and five veggies are lusciously layered in our shake. Fruits and veggies are nutrient dense - meaning they pack a nutritious punch that helps keep kids healthy. This is a creative fun way to enjoy getting ready for summer.