

LINCOLN PAW PRINT

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UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

6 FIRST DAY OF 3RD QUARTER

8 REPORT CARDS SENT HOME

14 PTO MEETING @3:30

17 EARLY RELEASE DAY @11:45

20 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY, NO SCHOOL (POSSIBLE MAKEUP DAY)

31 PTO FAMILY NIGHT AT LINCOLN

FEBRUARY

6 COMMUNITY FORUM @6:30PM AT LINCOLN

13 VALENTINE'S DAY PARTIES

14 & 17 NO SCHOOL (POSSIBLE MAKEUP DAYS)

19 LINCOLN NIGHT OF TALENTS @6:30PM

LESSON IN DEMOCRACY AND PROBLEM SOLVING

While reading the novel, Phineas L. MacGuire Gets Slimed, fourth graders learned about democracy and decided to have a class president election. Students were paired, one running for president and one for vice president. Together, they thought of three problems in the school that they would want to fix and come up with reasonable solutions. After making posters and sharing their campaign strategies, classes voted on Google Forms. Here are the winners from Mrs. Santiago, Mrs. Wagner, and Mrs. Cappas' class.



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SCHOLASTIC PAJAMA DRIVE

Mrs. Romanovich's kindergarten class sponsored a Pajama Drive at Lincoln Elementary School. This is Lincoln's 5th year participating in the Pajama Program. We collected 225 pairs of pajamas! For every pair of pajamas donated, Scholastic Book Clubs will donate a brand-new book to Pajama Program to be distributed to kids in need. Mrs. Romanovich delivered the pajamas to St. Jude House in Crown Point. They were very appreciative of the support from the Lincoln students and families.

Pajama Program believes that every child has the inherent right to a loving good night, complete with a comforting bedtime ritual. They shed their clothes of the day, along with the day's stresses, as they change into clean pajamas and enjoy an enchanting story, prepared for a good night's sleep. Pajama Program offers at-risk children the unconditional, magical gifts of new pajamas and books to create a safe escape at bedtime and spark their imaginations and creativity. By sharing our gifts, the children experience the greatest benefit of a loving bedtime and peaceful good night: a fulfilling, optimistic good day. After all, good nights are good days.



COMPUTER SCIENCE



It was a busy quarter in computer class these last few months. 2nd grade created a digital book on what they've learned about fire safety. They used an app called Book Creator where they got to design their page completely from scratch, adding their own text features and art.

COMPUTER SCIENCE (CONTINUED)



Students also had an opportunity to do some computer science based activities for one week in December during our CS Makerspace. They had a chance to drive Mrs. Meekma's new Sphero RVR and even learned about force using Matchbox cars. When we return from winter break, we will be diving into coding & programming lessons!

POLAR EXPRESS

The weather outside was frightful, but in 2nd grade the day was delightful! Our annual "Winter Wonderland" was on Thursday, December 19th. All of second grade took part in the reading of *The Polar Express*, while enjoying some chocolate milk & donuts in the Library. Back in the classroom the children made a winter craft, and completed winter themed reading & math activities. We finished the day by watching the movie *The Polar Express*, and each child received their own bell to ring in the holiday season.



POLAR EXPRESS (CONTINUED)



THIRD GRADE BOOK TASTING

3rd Grade had their annual Book Tasting! The students loved exploring different genres of literature while enjoying drinks and hors d'oeuvres!



THIRD GRADE GRINCH



Third grade celebrated our first Grinchmas! It was filled with grinchy activities; a grinchy compare and contrast, addition, and multiplication. Merry Grinchmas!