

Dec. 21, 2018



Lincoln News Briefs



Principally Speaking

On behalf of the Lincoln Elementary Staff, I want to wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I hope that you enjoy the next couple of weeks with your children and other family members.

We have had a fantastic first semester and are looking forward to an even better spring semester. See you in January!!

Winter Sing a Success

The Holiday Sing was beautiful. A big thank you goes out to the students, Mrs. Cunningham and Mrs. Lang for putting this program together!! We know it takes a lot of preparation on their part and the evening definitely got us all in the mood for the holidays!



Lincoln Fundraisers

Lincoln raised \$148.98 during the Sonic Night held Nov. 1st. Our next Lincoln dine out night will be at Freddy's on Wed. Jan. 23rd from 5:00-8:00 pm and then another McTeacher Night on Thurs. April 4th from 5:00-8:00pm at the North McDonald's. Thanks for your continued support for Lincoln!

No School

Dec. 22nd - Jan. 6th, 2019 – Winter Break

School resumes on Mon., Jan. 7th

Mon., Jan. 21st – Teacher In-service

Spelling Bee Winners

Lincoln held their spelling bee on Fri. Dec. 21st and the following students placed and are headed to the Ellis County Spelling Bee to be held on Jan. 29th at 7:00pm at FHSU. Congratulations and good luck Lincoln Spellers:

1st – Delia Dixon-5A, 2nd – Kaleb Jerome-5A, 3rd – Elizabeth Hyatt-4B, 4th – Jesse Taggart-5A and Alternate – Mariella Dreiling-5A

Report Cards

The end of the 2nd nine weeks of school is December 21st. Report cards will be sent home with the students on **Friday, January 11th**.

Orchestra Lock-In

5th Grade Orchestra students will have their Lock-In event Fri., Jan. 25th from 5:00-7:30pm at Hays Middle School. This will be their first opportunity to play with their peers from across the district.



Grant Awards!

Mrs. Dreiling, 5th Grade teacher received two Midwest Energy grant awards. She received a \$400.00 grant to go towards engineering activities and a \$350.00 grant to go towards STEM activities. She was also awarded a \$1,000 community grant award from Dane G. Hansen to continue partnership with local assisted living facilities and STEM Pals. Congratulations Mrs. Dreiling, your 5th graders will have their hands busy and brains challenged with plenty of STEM project activities!!!

Mrs. LeSage, KDG teacher also received a \$150.00 Midwest Energy grant in which she purchased a gaming set for the students iPads. I'm sure her students will look forward to this new opportunity for learning, Congratulations Mrs. LeSage!!!

5th Grade Mystery Writer

5A's Beanie Babies store update: Profit- \$919.12. More than 1,440 beanie babies were sold in approximately 2 hours! 5A students voted how to spend the money. We had no idea that we would make this much money! \$569.12 worth of groceries will be donated to the Community Assistance Center's food pantry. Each student in 5A will get \$27.10 to shop at Dillon's. \$100 will be donated to each of these places: Humane Society, Cancer Society of Ellis County, and First Call for Help. \$50 will be donated to the Hays Public Library. Lincoln Elementary, 5A's name, and the school year will be engraved onto a library brick on the exterior of the building. Thank you to everyone who bought Beanie Babies or donated to the fundraiser!

In science and reading, we have been learning about viruses, receptors, and cells. We even got to throw our engineered viruses at the cell model Mrs. Dreiling was holding! We engineered antivirals to see if we could block the virus receptors from sticking to the cell. In writing class, we created public service announcements about how to stay healthy. We have been learning how to multiply decimals in math class. In social studies we are learning about settlers. As part of a grant from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation, the Hutchinson Cosmosphere came to Lincoln Elementary School. We made liquid nitrogen ice cream and solar system bracelets. Programming robots was also challenging and fun. The same grant also allowed the Eisenhower Presidential Museum to bring a "Paint Like Ike" workshop to Lincoln for 5th graders. Dwight D. Eisenhower completed around 300 paintings during his lifetime. We learned about Eisenhower's efforts to save art from Adolf Hitler during World War II, looked at several of Eisenhower's completed works, and then we got to "Paint Like Ike" by completing one of the four paintings left incomplete at the time of Eisenhower's death.

Science Fast Facts of the Month:

1. Ice melts just above 32 degrees Fahrenheit. Sand melts at 3,100 degrees Fahrenheit.

2. Air jetting out of your nose during a sneeze can reach speeds of up to 100 miles per hour.
3. Tigers can see six times better in the dark than humans.

Enjoy Winter Break!

Sincerely,

Your 5th Grade Mystery Writer

Dillons Community Rewards

The Kroger Family of Stores is committed to bringing hope and help to local communities with every Kroger purchase made. If you have not signed up yet, it's simple, just go to: www.dillons.com/communityrewards and a percentage of your Dillons purchases will go towards Lincoln. Our latest donation from Kroger was \$232.90 for a calendar quarter. The more Lincoln families that sign up the more funding we will receive from Kroger. Thank for your support, every little bit helps!!

USD 489 Alerts

With the winter weather upon us, be sure that you have signed up to receive weather info and emergency notifications through School Messenger. USD489 utilizes School Messenger to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closing and safety alerts. You can participate in this free service just by sending a text message of "Y" or "Yes" to our school's short code number 67587. You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with "Stop". Be in the know with text alerts from School Messenger.



Winter temperatures are upon us. Morning temperatures have taken a dip into the 20s and 30s daily. Please remember to dress your child accordingly and remember that we will go outside for recess as long as the wind chill is above 20 degrees.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!

