



# Lincoln Log

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## Parent and Child Activity

Make an appointment to spend time with your child this month. Write it on your calendar.

Look in the newspaper for events your family can attend during this month.

Make today punctuation day. See how many types of punctuation you come across. What does each stand for?

Source: Parent Institute

## Calendar

Feb.	2-12		Kinder Registration
	5	3:40 pm	School Site Council Mtg in GLC
		7 pm	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Info Night Kennedy MS
	6-12		Open Enrollment
	9		Hearing Test
			Grades 1, 2, 5, SDC
	11	7 pm	PTA Mtg in GLC
	12		Winter Success Inc. Ends
	16-20		<b>Mid-Year Recess</b> <b>No School</b>

## PeaceBuilder T-shirt Sale

Help your child become a proud PeaceBuilder! Order a PeaceBuilder t-shirt for your child so that he/she can proudly wear it on Lincoln PeaceBuilder Fridays. Order forms went home today in the MESH folder. Deadline to place your t-shirt order is Friday, February 13. Extra order forms are available in the office. If you are not sure about what size to order, sample sizes are in the office. Everyone, including teachers and parent volunteers, can show their PeaceBuilder spirit by wearing a PeaceBuilder t-shirt on Friday.

## Second Session of Success Inc.

Our first session of Success Inc. will end on Thursday, February 12. Our second session of Success Inc. begins on Monday, March 9, 2009. Permission slips will go home to students who qualify. Only those students who meet certain qualifications may attend the support program. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 408-252-4798.

## Parking on February 13

In preparation for our classroom parties on Friday, February 13, parking permits will be available Thursday afternoon in the school office. Please feel free to utilize these permits for parking on the surrounding streets. Happy Valentine's Day!

## Kindergarten Registration

Thank you to our PTA New Parent Liaison Team and parent volunteers for their invaluable help with Kindergarten registration packets on Monday, January 26. Thank you to: Sylvia Chen, Audrey Lee, Susanne Millar, Kevin Moore, Lydia Moore, Rie Tohara and Betty Young.

## Word of the Month: Responsibility

Having responsibility means that you are dependable or reliable. PeaceBuilders take responsibility by doing what you are supposed to do and by making the right choices. Showing responsibility means:

- Turning in your work in on time.
- Choosing to do the right thing out on the playground.
- Responsible PeaceBuilders notice and speak up about hurts.
- Being responsible means standing up for one another and always speaking the truth.

## Teach Your Child to Accept, Embrace People's Differences

The following is an excerpt from the booklet, "101 Ways to Combat Prejudice." This booklet provides a list of definitions, helpful resources, and suggested reading to help parents and teachers counter prejudice and spread a message of respect in our community.

- **Know your roots** and share your pride in your heritage with others.
- **Celebrate holidays** with extended family. Use these opportunities to encourage story telling and share personal experiences across generations.
- **Invite friends** from backgrounds different from your own to experience the joy of your traditions and customs.
- **Be mindful of your language;** avoid stereotypical remarks and challenge those made by others.
- **Speak out against jokes and slurs** that target people or groups. Silence sends a message that you are in agreement. It is not enough to refuse to laugh.
- **Be knowledgeable;** provide as much accurate information as possible to reject harmful myths and stereotypes. Discuss as a family the impact of prejudicial attitudes and behavior.
- **Plan family outings to diverse neighborhoods** in and around your community and visit local museums, galleries, and exhibits that celebrate art forms of different cultures.
- **Visit important landmarks in your area** associated with the struggle for human civil rights such as museums, public libraries, and historical sites.
- **Research your family tree** and trace your family's involvement in the struggle for civil and human rights or immigration experience. Identify personal heroes and positive role models.
- **Read, and encourage your children to read** books that promote understanding of different cultures as well as those that are written by authors of diverse backgrounds.

## **PTA**

### **Scrip**

Valentine's Day is around the corner! We have a wide selection of your favorite vendors. Scrip make wonderful gifts for any occasion and a percentage helps our school so don't forget to order! Order forms are in the MESH today or you can print one online at: [lincoln-pta.org](http://lincoln-pta.org). For more information, please email the Scrip Committee at: [lincolnscrip@gmail.com](mailto:lincolnscrip@gmail.com). Please return binder clips to the office - thank you!

### **Box Tops for Education**

Our next box top mail-in is the end of February. Box tops is a year round program so please continue turning in the box tops coupons. For a list of participating products and how your online shopping at the Box Tops Marketplace can benefit our school, please visit the Lincoln PTA website at: [lincoln-pta.org](http://lincoln-pta.org) or pick up flyer at the office counter. Keep cutting and collecting!

### **Yearbook Cover Contest**

We have some wonderful artwork already turned in. Way to go! It shows we have a lot of great talent here at Lincoln! Remember to write on the back of your entry: your full Name, Grade/Teacher/Room #, Parent's Name with Phone number, and specify if your artwork is for the Front cover or the Back cover. One entry per a currently enrolled Lincoln student please and all entries must be turned into the office by 3:30pm on February 25th. Additional Cover Contest guidelines flyers are on the office counter. Have fun and be creative! For more information, please email the Yearbook Committee at: [leopard.yearbook@gmail.com](mailto:leopard.yearbook@gmail.com).

### **Pre-order your Lincoln Yearbook and One for Teachers!**

Yearbook pre-orders are \$20 and when you add another \$1, you can help provide yearbooks for teachers. Just complete the information on the order envelope and include a check payable to: Lincoln PTA. Additional order envelopes are in the office. Deadline for pre-orders is March 20th.

## **DISTRICT**

### **Board Appointment Process Update**

The Board of Education is pleased to announce the appointment of Anjali Kausar to the Board position vacancy created by Pearl Cheng's appointment to the Foothill-DeAnza Community College District Board of Trustees on December 8, 2008.

Ms. Kausar was selected from a group of highly qualified applicants on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, and sworn in at a Board Meeting on February 3, 2009. Ms. Kausar is an active member of the Cupertino Union School District community with children at Blue Hills Elementary School and Miller Middle School. She has served a number of leadership roles with the Blue Hills and Miller Parent Teacher Associations and the Miller Community Educational Foundation. Additionally, she has volunteered for the Cupertino Educational Endowment Foundation (CEEF) and the Cupertino-Toyokawa Sister City program.

## **2009-2010 AND 2010-2011 School Year Calendars**

The Board of Education approved the 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 school year calendars at the board meeting held on January 27, 2009. The dates for the 2009-2010 school year are as follows:

### **District Calendar 2009-2010 (all schools except Murdock-Portal)**

August 17, 18 and 19, 2009	Teacher Work Days
August 20, 2009	Students Return
September 7, 2009	Labor Day
TBA*	Staff Learning Day
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November 11, 2009	Veteran's Day
November 25, 26 and 27, 2009	Thanksgiving Recess
December 21, 2009 - January 1, 2010	Winter Recess
January 18, 2010	Martin Luther King Day
February 15-19, 2010	Mid-Year Recess
TBA*	Staff Learning Day
April 12-16, 2010	Spring Recess
TBA*	Staff Learning Day
May 31, 2010	Memorial Day
June 10, 2010	Last Day of School

### **Murdock-Portal Elementary School Calendar 2009-2010**

August 3, 4 and 5, 2009	Teacher Work Days
August 6, 2009	Students Return
September 7, 2009	Labor Day
TBA*	Staff Learning Day
October 5-16, 2009	Fall Recess
TBA*	Staff Learning Day
November 11, 2009	Veteran's Day
November 25, 26 and 27, 2009	Thanksgiving Recess
December 21, 2009 - January 1, 2010	Winter Recess
January 18, 2010	Martin Luther King Day
February 15-19, 2010	Mid-Year Recess
TBA*	Staff Learning Day
April 5-16, 2010	Spring Recess
TBA*	Staff Learning Day
May 31, 2010	Memorial Day
June 17, 2010	Last Day of School

The staff learning days will be approved by the Board of Education in February 2009. The 2010-2011 school year calendar is available at [www.cupertino.k12.ca.us](http://www.cupertino.k12.ca.us), under "About our district."