



Lincoln Log

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Parent and Child Activities

Flash cards are a great way to memorize facts. Take them along in the car and use travel time for review.

Make a trip to the library part of your regular weekly routine. If your child doesn't have their own library card, get one.

Give your child a hug today.

Source: Parent Institute

Calendar

Oct.	20-23		Book Fair
	21	7:30-8:30 am	Parents only Book Fair
	23	5:30-9:30 pm	Family Book Fair
	27		Staff Learning Day No School
	28-31		Red Ribbon Week
	31	9:15 am Kinder	Halloween Parade
		1:30 pm 1-5	Halloween Parade & class celebrations
Nov.	2		Daylight Savings Ends

Back Parking Lot Closure: October 28

In our continuing effort to improve traffic flow and safety around Lincoln School, we will be permanently closing the back parking lot to parent traffic on Tuesday, October 28th. **The back parking lot will be for staff only and there will no longer be any student drop-off or pick-up in the back lot.**

This decision was made based on the limited amount of cars utilizing the lot, and the reallocation of staff supervision to support the front parking lot. In addition, both the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Department and the City of Cupertino recommend closure of the lot to support student safety and traffic flow on McClellan. All parent traffic will go through the front parking lot. In the mornings we have our student valets in the front lot to assist with drop-off and we will have additional teachers out front after school to help with pick-up. This information was shared with our School Site Council and PTA earlier this month.

We understand that this change will be an adjustment for everyone, but we ask for your patience and cooperation as we bolster overall safety for students, parents, and staff.

PTA Book Fair (October 20-23)

The PTA sponsored Scholastic Book Fair will come to Lincoln from October 20-23. Students will have the opportunity to browse and purchase during their assigned time and during lunch. In addition, the Book Fair is open to parents only on Tuesday, October 21, from 7:30-8:30 a.m. and the Family Book Fair is on Thursday, October 23, from 5:30-9:30 p.m. We hope to see you all there. Proceeds benefit all students at Lincoln. Many thanks to Linda Hull, Dayse Ekholm, Alex Levy, Sandra Murata, Betty Young, Audrey Lee, Lata Rajagopalan, Lydia Moore and Kevin Moore for chairing this wonderful community fundraiser, and to the many other parent and staff volunteers.

School Site Council Results

Congratulations to Mr. Engkee Kwang for being elected as representative to the School Site Council for the 08-09 school year. The council meets the first Thursday of every month at 3:40 in the GLC. The council meetings are open to the community.

Pennies for Patients

The students in room 15 are sponsoring a fundraiser for the Leukemia and Lymphoma society. Pennies for Patients will run through October 31. A box has been placed in every classroom and one will also be at the book fair to collect donations. Pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and even paper money are welcomed. All of the money will go to Pennies for Patients and will serve a local child suffering from leukemia. The students were inspired by their reading of Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Coerr this fall. In addition, they have folded over 1,300 cranes which will be shipped to Japan later this month. A display of their efforts is at the Cupertino Library.

Destination ImagiNation

Signup Forms for DI are due into the office this Friday, October 17. Additional forms are available in the office. For additional information about DI please visit: <http://www.destinationimagination.org>

Halloween Parade

Lincoln's Halloween Parade will take place on Friday, October 31. Our annual parade will be at 1:30 p.m. and end at approximately 2:00 p.m. (Kindergarten students will parade through classrooms at 9:15 a.m.) Classroom celebrations will follow the parade. Please contact your room parent if you are interested in donating healthy food items.

Please help your child choose a costume appropriate for school that does not reflect violence. In accordance with the district's Zero Tolerance policy, students may not bring any toy weapons as part of their costume. Plastic swords, toy guns, and other weapons are not allowed on campus. Make-up and dyed hair are not permitted. Students should come to school dressed in their regular clothing (except Kindergarten.) Please send costumes to school in a bag marked with the child's name and room number. They will change into their costumes after lunch.

Thank you for preparing your child for our Halloween celebration. Our priority is to ensure a safe, appropriate environment and to promote a positive and fun celebration. Parking permits for October 31, will be available in the office for pickup starting Wednesday, October 29.

PTA

PTA Reflections Contest 2008-2009: "Wow!"

The theme for this year's **National PTA Reflections Program** is "**Wow!**" This is a great opportunity to bring your child's imagination to life and let their artistic talents shine! Encourage your child to create an original work of art, based on this year's theme "**Wow!**" There are six categories to choose from:

❖ Visual Arts (includes art forms such as drawing, painting, prints and collage) ❖ Literature ❖ Film Production ❖ Dance Choreography ❖ Musical Composition ❖ Photography.

Prizes are awarded in all categories at various levels. Check out last year's award-winning entries in the PTA Reflections Program gallery at www.pta.org. Please remember that the entries have to be the student's individual and original work and must have a completed entry form attached.

Entry forms and rules are available in the school office. **The deadline for entries for the Reflections Program this year is Monday, October 20th.** For more information, please visit:

<http://www.capta6.org/reflections/parents.html>. If you have further questions, please contact Bhavini Kamarshi at bhavini111@yahoo.com.

Box Tops 4 Education

There are 2 ways to earn FREE cash for our school with box tops! One way is to clip box tops coupons from the packaging of the many items that you already purchase for home such as Cheerios, Fruit Rollups, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Ziploc, Kleenex, and more. Each box tops coupon is worth 10 cents and that can add up! Just clip and collect the box tops coupon and send them to school - it's that easy!

Another way to earn FREE cash for our school is to shop online at your favorite stores through the Box Tops 4 Education Marketplace. There is no cost to sign-up - just go to www.bfte.com and designate ABRAHAM LINCOLN SCHOOL as your group. For more information, visit the Lincoln PTA website at ww.lincoln-pta.org. Help earn FREE cash for our school!

Our first box tops mail-in is October 31 so please send in your box tops now!

2008 - 2009 Calendar (Staff Learning Days Included)

October 27, 2008	Staff Learning Day
November 10 & 11, 2008	Veteran's Day Holiday
November 26, 27 & 28, 2008	Thanksgiving Recess
December 22 – January 2, 2009	Winter Recess
January 19, 2009	Martin Luther King Holiday
February 16 - 20, 2009	Mid-Year Recess
March 16, 2009	Staff Learning Day
April 13 - 17, 2009	Spring Recess
May 22, 2009	Staff Learning Day
May 25, 2009	Memorial Day
June 12, 2009	Last Day of School