



# Lincoln Log

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## Parent and Child Activities

Make a list of all the things that make your family members thankful.

Role-play a situation with your child, such as handling peer pressure.

Read a textbook assignment with your child. Then ask your child to tell you about it in his own words.

*Source: Parent Institute*

## Calendar

Nov.	14	1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester Ends
	17	Picture Makeup Day
	19-21	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade-Mission Spring
	26-28	<b>Thanksgiving Recess</b>
		<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Dec.	5	Report cards go home
	22-Jan. 2	<b>Winter Recess</b>
		<b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Jan.	5	School Resumes

## Student Portrait Make-Up Day

Bud White will return on Monday, November 17, between 11:00 and 11:30 to take pictures of students who are new to our school, were absent on picture day or forgot to bring in their order/payment. **Portrait packages must be prepaid at the time their picture is taken.** The flyer were sent home last week in the MESH folder.



## 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. If you haven't already done so, please place your t-shirt order by Friday, November 21. 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 Fridays!

## Interested In Being A Student Valet?

The Lincoln valet program is looking for 6 more student valets for this school year. If you are a 4th or 5th grade student and are interested in being a valet one morning a week, please stop by the office and pick up a permission slip. Signed permission slips need to be returned to Jackie Browning in the office.

## Pennies for Patients

The students in room 15 raised over \$750 for a local child, Ella, who was diagnosed at the age of 3 with Leukemia. She underwent chemotherapy for two years and recently celebrated her 5<sup>th</sup> birthday. Ella will continue with her check-ups but doesn't let them keep her from leading a happy, active childhood. Thanks room 15 for sponsoring this fundraiser!

## Check Lost and Found

Is your child missing a sweatshirt, jacket or lunch box? It could be in the Lost and Found. Please have your child check for any missing items. All unclaimed clothing will be donated to charity over the Thanksgiving break. Be sure to put your child's name in articles of clothing so that they can be easily reclaimed.



## Coat Drive

Our student council is partnering with the Northwest YMCA and Sunnyvale Community Services in collecting gently used jackets of all sizes. These jackets will be offered to families in need with the Sunnyvale community. As the temperature begins to drop, please consider donating gently used jackets. Jackets may be dropped off in your student's classroom or Room 21. We appreciate your support!

## Independent Study – District Policy

With the holidays approaching, it is important to schedule your vacations so your child misses as few days as possible. If you plan to be away from school for a minimum of five days and a maximum of ten days, please contact your teacher and the school office at least one week before your departure date to arrange for an Independent Study (IS) contract. **These policies are consistent across the Cupertino Union School District.**

- A student must be enrolled for three consecutive weeks before an IS Contract can be initiated.
- To receive credit for the days away, the contract homework must be completed while you are gone, and returned to school the first day your child is back in school. If the Independent Study work is not completed and returned, the days missed will be recorded as unexcused absences.
- **Students who are absent for more than 10 consecutive school days will be dropped from the district rosters.** When the dropped student returns, they will be reinstated in their home school, if there is space available. If there are no spaces available, the student will be assigned to another school in the district, and put on the waitlist at the home school.
- If you are traveling for less than 5 days, your child's absence will be recorded as unexcused.

## Harvest Fest – Musical Share

Last Thursday, November 6 our fourth and fifth graders presented a Harvest Fest Musical Share in the MP room. Our students were eager to perform many of the songs that they had learned so far this year. It was a robust and joyful musical celebration! Thank you to our music teacher, Loween Harrison, for sharing her love of music with our students.

## **PTA**

### **Scrip**

Thank you for the overwhelming number of orders! Please check the MESH for your Scrip orders or come by the Scrip Table located outside the office. Every order helps to fund PTA programs, equipment maintenance, and supplies for our school.

The next order is due tomorrow through the MESH folder or at the office by 3:30pm. To print a Scrip order form online, please visit the Lincoln PTA website at: [www.lincoln-pta.org](http://www.lincoln-pta.org). Order dates and pick-up dates are on the form. For questions, email the Scrip Committee at: [lincolnscrip@gmail.com](mailto:lincolnscrip@gmail.com). Please kindly return binder clips through the MESH or at the office. Thank you for your support!

### **Box Tops for Education**

We have collected over \$300 worth of box tops for our first mail-in! All the money helps to fund our school's Student Programs which include the Leaping Leopards! Box tops is a year round program so please continue turning in the coupons or shopping online at the Box tops Marketplace.

Box tops coupons have expiration dates and because of this we will do another mail-in during December. For a list of participating products and how your online shopping can benefit our school, please visit the Lincoln PTA website at: [lincoln-pta.org](http://lincoln-pta.org). Keep cutting and collecting!

## **DISTRICT**

### **CEEF's 25th Anniversary Gala: "From London with Love"**

Saturday, January 17, 2009

5:30 p.m.

Fairmont Hotel, San Jose

Celebrate at CEEF's Silver Anniversary Gala with a chance to win a test drive in a Bentley or Aston Martin! Elegant British motor cars will add to the fun at CEEF's "From London with Love" Gala at the Fairmont Hotel on Saturday, January 17, 2009. Take your photo inside one of the convertible coupes or spin the London Eye Wheel to win a test drive.

Funds raised through CEEF's 25th anniversary event will support arts and innovative math and technology programs at all 25 district schools. Festivities will include an elegant buffet dinner, amusing games and prizes, auctions live and silent, entertainment, casino, and dancing. For more information or to add your name to the invitation mailing list, please call 408 446-2333 or email inquiries to [gala@ceefcares.org](mailto:gala@ceefcares.org).

## **2009-2010 Registration & Open Enrollment Information**

- **Kindergarten registration: February 2-12, 2009, at the neighborhood school.** Registration packets will be available at the neighborhood school beginning January 26, 2009. Registration packets are numbered sequentially. The registration number on the packet is valid for packets returned between February 2 – February 12, 2009.
- **Open enrollment requests: February 6 - 12, 2009 at the school of desired attendance.**
- **Alternative education program requests (Faria and Murdock-Portal grades K-5, McAuliffe, Mandarin Immersion and Home Study grades K-8) February 6 - 12, 2009 at the alternative program of your choice.**
- **Registration for new students in grades 1 – 8 begins March 2, 2009.**

**Parents may only apply to one school or program other than their neighborhood school.**

Detailed registration and open enrollment information is available on the district website [www.cupertino.k12.ca.us](http://www.cupertino.k12.ca.us), by contacting the staff in your neighborhood school office or by contacting the Student Assignment Office, (408) 252-3000, extension 110.

## **GATE Referral Process Testing Schedule**

**Dates For Referrals For Spring Testing –  
Grades 3 and above**

Referrals will be accepted beginning: November 3, 2008.

Deadline for Spring GATE referrals: January 16, 2009. (Referrals for the above grades submitted before the November 3, 2008 or after January 16, 2009 date will be returned.)

**NOTE:** GATE testing of CUSD grade 3 and above students will take place during Spring (March-April) 2009. This will be the only GATE testing offered during the 2008-2009 year.