



Lincoln Log

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Parent and Child Activities

Does your child know who to call in an emergency? Make a list for your refrigerator. Practice what to say.

Have your child read to you as you are cleaning up after supper. Or read to your child as he cleans up!

Turn off the TV this evening! Plan on reading or playing games instead.

Source: Parent Institute

Calendar

Oct. 2	3:40 pm	School Site Council
6-14		Parent Teacher Conf. Dismissal 1:25 pm 1st-5th
8	7 pm	PTA Mtg – GLC
20-23		Book Fair
23	5:30-9:30 pm	Family Book Fair
27		Staff Learning Day No School
28-31		Red Ribbon Week

Conference Schedule

October 6 – 14, 2008

1st through 5th Grade: 8:55 a.m. – 1:25 p.m.

Kindergarten: Regular schedule

Lunch: 12:30 – 1:00 p.m.

There is no adult supervision for students after the 1:25 p.m. release time, arrangements for after school care need to be made. Students may not remain on campus, as teachers will be conferencing with parents. We thank you for your help in this matter.

Bullying and Respect Assembly

Bullying and Respect Programs were presented on September 16 and 17. Two members of the Santa Clara Sheriff's Department and a Youth Outreach Consultant met with all students in 3rd, 4th and 5th grade. The deputies discussed the importance of treating one another with respect and the consequences of bullying. Of the many lessons learned at school, sometimes the lessons learned on the playground are the most difficult. This program supports our Zero Tolerance Policy and teaches children to respect themselves and one another.

Parent Rep Needed for District English Language Advisory Council

We are looking for a parent with a second language speaking child to represent Lincoln Elementary School at the District English Language Advisory Council (DELAC) meetings. The meetings will be held at the district office four times a year. Please contact the office if you are interested.

Staff Learning Day

A district wide Staff Learning Day was held on Friday, September 19. The Lincoln staff spent the day focusing on the new Science textbook adoption and materials. Our staff appreciates the time for staff development. It offers the valuable opportunity to learn new strategies to support student learning.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: A Chance to Support your Child

Goal Setting Conferences will take place on October 6-14, 2008. The conferences offer the perfect opportunity to share information about your child's strengths, interests and needs, to establish a caring and collaborative relationship, and to develop mutual goals for student learning and behavior.

The following are questions for parents to consider as you prepare for the upcoming conferences:

How can I work with you?

Teachers always need help. If you can't come to school, maybe you can help from home.

What can we do at home?

Let the teacher know you'll support what goes on at school.

What will my child be expected to learn this year?

If this is the year your child has to learn countries and capitals, you might want to buy a big world map.

What is your policy on homework?

Knowing there's always homework on Tuesday will help if your child says there isn't anything due the next day.

How will you measure my child's progress?

Once you know how much those weekly math quizzes count, you'll probably make sure your child studies.

When and for what reasons should I contact the school?

Keeping the lines of communication open will help your child have a better year.

What's the best way to get in touch with you?

Some teachers love email. Others prefer a phone call. Find out what will work best.

Source: Parents Make the Difference



School Site Council Meeting

October 2, 2008 at 3:40 p.m. in the GLC

AGENDA:

Introduction
Minutes from May Meeting
Principal's Update
 School Opening
Items of Business
 Budget
 Election of SSC Officers
 President
 Secretary
 DAC Representative
School Plan
GATE Program
Parent Survey Results

Next Meeting: November 6, 2008 at 3:40 p.m. in the GLC

PTA

Entertainment Book Campaign Begins

The fifth annual Entertainment Book Campaign has begun. Your student is bringing home a package today containing the 2009 San Jose/Santa Clara edition of the Entertainment book. This book is full of money saving coupons that you can use for an entire year. The cost is \$25. Money raised from this campaign goes into the PTA fund which goes directly back into our school. There is no obligation to buy one, but please take a look at it. Please also consider checking with your friends, co-workers and family if they would like to support Lincoln Elementary by buying one. The campaign runs from 9/25-10/10. Kindly send your book or money back to school with your student by 10/10 in the same envelope the book came in. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Shen at ktj_mom@yahoo.com

Lincoln Student Directory and PTA Membership – Deadline 9/26

We need your contact information to print in the Lincoln Student Directory. Don't get left out of the communication loop! Be included in the Student Directory, a great tool for arranging class parties, play-dates, email lists and important school dates, and class information. Also, if you haven't already, join the Lincoln PTA, contribute \$10 for each Agenda (ONLY 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders) and/or \$15 for Emergency Kits (ONLY New or Kindergarten students). If you've misplaced your preprinted envelope, please visit www.lincoln-pta.org to reprint your own copy. Additional copies are available in the office. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Betty Young at LincolnMembership@gmail.com. Thanks for supporting the Lincoln PTA!

LEEF

Volunteer Hours Matched with Corporate Check

Some companies (i.e. Lockheed, salesforce.com, Applied Materials) will convert an employee's volunteer time at Lincoln into a corporate donation check. Please contact your Human Resources (HR) department or website to find out details for converting volunteer time into monetary donations. Questions can also be e-mailed to info@lincolnleef.org.

District

Updating Residency Information

Please be aware that district guidelines require that any change of residence must be reported to the school office within ten (10) days. This guideline is in place to ensure that the address and contact information that the school has on file is accurate, since this crucial information is used to send official school/district correspondence and in the case of an emergency. Failure to provide current residency information could result in the immediate withdrawal of your child.

If you have any questions regarding this guideline, please contact your school office.