## MAY NEWSLETTER

## FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

MAY CALENDAR: As a reminder, Tuesday, May $29^{\text {th }}$ is a Teacher Institute Day/No School. The last day of school and field day will be Wednesday, May $30^{\text {th }}$. Don't forget that day is also a 1:30 P.M. dismissal. Happy Summer Vacation!

Calendar: A copy of the 2018-2019 school calendar has been posted on the school website. Please note the dates and times for registration in August.
The soccer and volleyball sports calendars for next year have also been added to the website and the other sports seasons will be posted soon.

Awards: On, Monday, May $21^{\text {st }}$, Lisbon Grade School District 90 will recognize student achievements at the afternoon awards assembly and the evening awards ceremony. The afternoon assembly will begin at 2:15 P.M. in the gym. Valedictorian, Salutatorian, Academic, Perfect Attendance, Student Council, Spelling Bee, National Fitness and Accelerated Reader awards will be presented. The evening awards recognition will begin at 6:30 P.M. and will include: Scholastic Bowl, Choir, Band, Speech, Presidential Fitness Awards, Volleyball, Soccer, Basketball, Cheerleading, Track and Yearbook. All students that successfully completed a season or activity will receive a certificate, bar or other award. We hope to see all the students and parents at the afternoon assembly and/or the evening ceremony.

Graduation: $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade Graduation will be held on Wednesday, May $23^{\text {rd }}$ at 7:00 P.M. Individual student pictures will be taken at 6:00 P.M. All $8^{\text {th }}$ grade students must be here at 6:00 P.M.

Kindergarten Graduation: Kindergarten Graduation will be held on Thursday, May $24^{\text {th }}$ at 10:00 A.M. in the gym with the traditional kindergarten picnic to follow.

Graduation Decorating: Don't forget! We need all $7^{\text {th }}$ grade parents to help with graduation decorating on Tuesday, May $22^{\text {nd }}$, from 3 P.M - 5 P.M.

Absences: If you know your child is going to be absent, please call the school office and leave a message the night before or call the school by 9:00 A.M. the morning of the absence.
Hot Lunches: If your child orders a hot lunch in the morning and then realizes later
that they have a cold lunch, they will still be charged for a hot lunch. Unfortunately, once the food is made, it needs to be eaten or thrown away.

Registration Packets: The 2018-2019 school year registration packets went home Friday. You are encouraged to send the completed packets back but payment is not necessary at this time. You can postdate a check for either of the registration dates in August or send/drop off payment before school begins in August. Returning the packets early just gives us the ability to get a head start on paperwork and eliminates the wait or need for you to set aside time in August to bring them in.

## Valedictorian \& Salutatorian

Lisbon Community Consolidated Grade School is proud to announce the
 Valedictorians and Salutatorians for the 2017-2018 school year. Valedictorian has been awarded to Kjersten Friestad, Jacquelin Harvey, Reese Heap, Taylor Rhodes, Austin Tollefson, and Megan Williams. Each achieved a perfect 4.00 GPA during their time at LGS.


Co-Salutatorian has been awarded to Annika Myre and Mackenzie Wilkins. They each attained cumulative GPAs of 3.98. Congratulations to all eight award winners. We are proud of your hard work and dedication!

After 13 years of service at Lisbon Grade School, Dr. Michael Rustman will be retiring in June. He has worked in the education field for a total of 43 years, the last 13 of which have been here as the Superintendent for Lisbon CCSD \#90. He will be greatly missed by all his colleagues. While he has requested that there not be a party held in his honor, we hope that his former and current students, previous coworkers, parents, community members, or anyone who has been impacted by Dr. Rustman, wish him well by "showering" him with cards. These can be filled with favorite memories and best wishes. Cards can be addressed and mailed to Lisbon Grade School c/o Dr. Rustman. The address is 127 S. Canal Street, Newark, IL. 60541.

## News from LOOP

We celebrate Teacher's Appreciation Week in May! Lisbon is extremely fortunate to have such outstanding teachers! LOOP will be celebrating all their hard work and dedication the week of May $14^{\text {th }}-18^{\text {th }}$. Don't forget to let
 your teachers know how lucky we are to have them!

As the school year is winding down, Loop would like to take this opportunity to express our deepest thanks for your continued support throughout the year. It $\dagger$ is because of you that we have been able to do big things for the students and school!

Our next meeting is set for Tuesday, May $1^{\text {st }}$ at 7:00pm in the library. If you want to become more involved with LOOP, we'd love for you to join us!! We will be electing a Treasurer. If you are interested, and are wondering what the job entails, contact any of our current officers.

Please continue sending in Box Tops. They equate to money for our school! We have been able to use these to purchase playground equipment for the students to use during recess. We appreciate your support!

## Monarch Winners

This year, kindergarten through fourth grade once again participated in the Monarch program put on by the Illinois School Library Media Association. Through this program, each class was able to read thirteen books that were nominated for the Monarch Award, an award given to a K-3 children's book. According to the website, the name Monarch was chosen because of its familiarity to K-3 children and to symbolize the growth, change and freedom that becoming a reader brings. The Monarch is designed to encourage children to read critically and become familiar with children's books, authors and illustrators. After reading thirteen out of the twenty nominated books, all of the students voted. The winner for Lisbon was Sam and Dave Dig a Hole by Mac Barnett. Statewide, there were 428 schools participating and the winning book received over 11,000 votes. The overall winner for Illinois was also Sam and Dave Dig a Hole. This book, along with many other nominees, is available in our school library.


## Student Council



All of our hard work payed off! Student Council worked so hard this year to raise funds for a water refill station. We raised $\$ 1696$ with bake sale and raffle items. A water refill station will cost $\$ 2175$. The Lisbon Grade School Board has generously agreed to pay the difference, and the new equipment should be installed before the end of the school year.

LGS Student Council would like to announce the new officers and representatives for the 2018-2019 school year. The elections results were as follows: President, Alexis Reibel; Vice President Pro Tem, Logan Jacobsgaard; Secretary Pro Tem, Danielle Monsess; $6^{\text {th }}$ Grade Representatives, Dylan Long and Alyvia Raymond; and $5^{\text {th }}$ Grade Representatives, Payton Wallin and Zach Zabel. Elections were held on April $11^{\text {th }}$. I am looking forward to working with these students on many fun-filled and meaningful projects.


## Music News

The Lisbon Grade School Spring Concert is right around the corner! The concert will be will be a Disney Theme and will be performed on Thursday, May $17^{\text {th }}$. The concert begins promptly at 6:30 P.M. and students need to meet in their
classrooms by 6:10 P.M.
If you know your child will not be able to make the concert date please send a note or speak with their classroom teacher. The concert is part of the music grade and will not be excused without notification.

We have all been working very hard on our songs and hope you will join us for a great night of music!

Musically,
Mrs. Pfizenmaier


## Summer Math Challenge and IXL.com

I will be hosting the math challenge again this summer. Last summer LGS students answered over 15,540 math questions. I hope that this year we can beat that number by at least 10 percent. Students can participate as much or as little as they like. Any math practice over the summer helps students retain what they learned throughout the school year. Information will be going home to everyone the last week of school for all who are interested. And remember...IXL.com is available to all students during the summer. So keep on calculating!

Mrs. Heap

## News from Coach McKinney

The school year is rapidly coming to an end!!! As I write, we have 22 full days left of the 2017-18 school year.

We are enjoying the nice weather with our softball/ $\dagger$-ball units. It is a fun unit of learning how to throw and catch for my little guys and game strategy for the older group. We will be fitness testing the first week in May. The kids love to
try to earn an award during this time. These will be given out during the awards day on May 21st. We are also looking forward to field day, which will be Wednesday, May 30th. LOOP and I have numerous fun activities for everyone planned that day. Stay tuned.

Both of the track teams are having a Great Season!!!! Good Luck to the team as they head to their sectional meet on Saturday, May $5^{\text {th }}$ at Seneca High School.

I will be running a boys basketball camp this summer for grades going into $3^{\text {rd }}-9^{\text {th }}$. The dates will be June $4^{\text {th }}-8^{\text {th }}$. Be looking for more information.

Thank you to all who have made this year a successful one at Lisbon Grade School. We could not have done it without each one of you. I enjoy so much coming to school and impacting the lives of the students. They are truly wonderful kids!! Good luck to all those in various activities this summer. See you in the fall!!! GO LIONS!!!

## Resource News



Spring is finally here! The school year is rapidly coming to an end. Eighth grade has been working hard on collecting their final AR test points, writing a five paragraph essay, and finishing their spelling workbook. The fourth graders have been working on fractions and decimals. Third grade is working hard on their multiplication facts and earning that ice cream party from Mrs. Doorn. Second grade continues to work on reading their weekly story, decodable books, spelling words, and phonics pages. First grade is working on telling time and reading. Together, we are reading short stories daily and drilling weekly sight words. Kindergarten is hard at work on their spelling words, counting to 100 and reading AR books. Keep up the hard work. Reading nightly at home really helps build a child's confidence.


Mrs. Darnell

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Our Kindergarten Registration was a success! Our class had fun with the new Kindergarten students. Thank you to all of the parents who brought items for our snack. Also, thank you to Mrs. Fosen and Mrs. Chartrand for being in the classroom for me while I spoke to the new parents.

It's hard to believe we are into the last month of the school year! From the looks of the May calendar, we'll be very busy! These are some important dates you won't want to miss!

| May $2^{\text {nd }}$ - | Last Scholastic Book Order Due |
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| May $10^{\text {th }}$ - | K-2 Field Trip to Blackberry Farm |
| May $17^{\text {th }}$ - | Spring Program 6:30 p.m. |
|  | Students meet in classroom at 6:10 p.m. |
| May $23{ }^{\text {rd }}$ - | $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade Graduation 7:00p.m |
| May $24^{\text {th }}$ - | Kdg. Graduation at 10:00 a.m. |
|  | Kdg. Picnic at Lisbon Park 11:30a.m.-1:00p.m. |
| May $25^{\text {th }}$ - | Kdg. Movie Day |
| May $28^{\text {th }}$ - | No School - Memorial Day |
| May $28^{\text {th }}$ - | Cougar's Game - through Cougar's Reading Club |
| May $29^{\text {th }}$ - | No School - Teacher Institute |
| May $30^{\text {th }}$ - | Field Day/Kdg. Game Day |
|  | Early Dismissal 1:30/Last Day of School |

Our parent chaperones for our year end field trip have been selected. Lori Hatteberg, Aimee Berg, Jen Chelsen and Shane Darnell will be our chaperones to Blackberry Farm on May $10^{\text {th }}$. We look forward to a fun day!

The students have worked so hard, as well as have had so much fun with their songs for the Spring Program. I hope to see you all there on May $17^{\text {th }}$ !

We will also be preparing for our graduation program through the month of May. We hope you can join us on Thursday, May $24^{\text {th }}$ as we celebrate our Kindergarten year!

I know we all look forward to a fun-filled month of May. I have really enjoyed working with the students and parents from the Kindergarten class. As the school year winds down, I hope all of our school families have a fun and relaxing summer!

Mrs. Dike


## $1^{\text {st }}$ Grade News

Spring is finally here!! I am not sure where the school year went but it sure flew by.

Our field trip is scheduled for May $10^{\text {th }}$ to Blackberry Farms. Please make sure your child dresses for the weather and has a sack lunch that can be thrown away.

Congratulations to the following students who completed all 6 months of Book-It: Leah Fitzgerald, Brock Friestad, Lily Harms, Delainey Howe, Samson Seiberlich, Evan Smith, Madelyn Thomas. Awesome job reading! They all enjoyed the pizza party. Please remember to read each night, especially over the summer.

Congratulations to our two boys in first grade Brock Friestad and Evan Smith for completing the Cougar Reading Club. Way to go! Have fun at the baseball game!

I am so proud of the first grade class and all their hard work. They have done a great job reading and taking AR tests this year! Keep up the good work! Last month every single student got a AR prize! We had to celebrate with donuts! That was awesome... let's do it again for April and May! We will celebrate with an A.R. ice cream party later in the month. The size of the sundae your child earns will depend on the amount of points he/she has earned. Yum!

I have really enjoyed working with your children this year. They have all grown so much, which is so exciting to see! Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered at our class parties donated to our class or are coming on our field trip! We appreciate you and your time! Continue to read, write, and practice math facts over the summer.

Enjoy your summer!!
Mrs. Jacobson

## $2^{\text {nd }}$ Grade News

The month of April has been an "egg-citing" time in our second grade classroom. The students have been completing an embryology and incubation unit. In our "egg-stra" time we have been learning about eggs, chickens, and the incubation process. We hope to have a good hatching! Our hatch date is today, April $30^{\text {th }}$. Our class would like to thank the Fletcher family for providing us with the brooder
 box, heat lamp, and chicken feed for this project.

Another project we have been working on is our Flat Stanley unit. We are working on our letters this week. If the responses are sent to your house instead of the school, please send them in. The kids will be anxiously awaiting their letters. Hopefully they arrive before the end of school! Please check the bulletin board next month where they will be featured.

Ten out of our fifteen students met reading goals for Book-It this year in our room. They include Tyler Carlson, Weston Friestad, Jade Mitchell, Carter Raymond, Troy Seiberlich, Case Thomas, Brooklyn Wallin, Kyla Wesseh, Kellen Westerfield, and Colt Zabel. They qualified for the pizza party. Seven students also completed the Cougars Reading Club. Congratulations goes to Weston Friestad, Ellie Lieser, Jade Mitchell, Jacqueline Murphy, Carter Raymond, Brooklyn Wallin, and Kellen Westerfield. I am very proud of their participation!

As we head towards the end of school I ask that you keep an eye on the May calendar. It seems like May is filling up already. Our field trip will be on Thursday, May $10^{\text {th }}$ to Blackberry Farm. Hopefully, we will have good weather that day. The students will need a disposable lunch.

The month of May will also include a study of our pets. We will be writing a pet report to learn how to do research, take notes, and write a report. Our pet study will conclude with "Pet Day" on May $25^{\text {th }}$. Please watch for more information about that.

Please continue to encourage your child to do IXL at home. This will be available for the students to use during the summer as well. I hope families will take advantage of this program to increase our kids' math skills. It is amazing to me that this school year is coming to a close already. Thank you for all of your support this year.



## $3^{\text {rd }}$ Grade News

It is very important for your child to read over the summer. It would be a good idea to set aside some time every day for your child to read. Please encourage them to read at least 20 minutes a day. Also, Mrs. Dike has a summer Book-It program that I would strongly encourage your student to complete.

Students can continue to use IXL.com for math practice this summer. Please practice multiplication and division facts with your child over the summer. Mrs. Heap is continuing to do her math challenge that would be good review for your child.

Congratulations to the students who completed Book-It. Congratulations to Sage, LeAnn, and Kiptyn on reaching the goal of completing Book - It each month. They were rewarded with a pizza party. Thank you to the LOOP for the pizza and pop.

May $10^{\text {th }}$ will be an exciting day. We are going to the Museum of Science and Industry for our field trip. Third grade will have 3 chaperones going with us. I will inform the parents that have been selected to be chaperones.

A big thank you to all of the parents for sending items in for our parties. Thank you to all the parents who planned and help with our classroom parties too.

I have a list of books that you can purchase for your child to work on over the summer so they are ready for $4^{\text {th }}$ grade. You can find these books at Barnes and Noble, Amazon, and the Chalkboard. The books are: Summer Skills, Summertime Learning, and Summer Express. I have had a wonderful year with your student.

Have a great summer!
Mrs. Doorn

## $4^{\text {th }}$ Grade News

It is time to wind up the 2017-2018 school year. It's difficult to believe the end of school is just around the corner. Please continue to encourage your child to do his/her best in school. I realize that since the weather is becoming nice, children have a more difficult time focusing on school. We have done pretty well so far, so let's finish strong.

We will be going to The Museum of Science and Industry on Thursday, May $10^{\text {th }}$. I have contacted those that volunteered to go that haven't gone in the last two years. We have an exciting day planned. The Spring Concert is Thursday, May $17^{\text {th }}$. They can't wait to show you what they've been working on in Music this semester.

Please keep encouraging your child to work hard to get as many AR points as possible by the end of the year. The last day to take an $A R$ test is on Wednesday, May $16^{\text {th }}$. All library books will be due on May $18^{\text {th }}$. The AR ice cream party will be on May $22^{\text {nd }}$.

Please don't let your student stop reading or practicing math over the summer. Summertime is when they all need to practice to keep their skills sharp. Remember, IXL is a great tool to use. The local libraries always have great reading programs over the summer. This may be something to look into to keep a routine all summer long.

Have a safe and wonderful summer.


## $5^{\text {th }}$ Grade News

I cannot believe that May is here already, and we have only one month of school left.

We have a busy May coming up. Our field trip this year is to the Museum of Science and Industry, May $10^{\text {th }}$. Please watch for a permission slip to come home the first or second week in May. Our parent chaperones are Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. Long, and Mrs. Friestad. Thank you for volunteering! We also have our Awards and Character Counts Assemblies along with our talent show this month. Don't forget our Music Concert is Thursday, May $17^{\text {th }}$. If you would like to attend, please check the calendar in the newsletter or online for important dates.

In reading, we will be starting our last novel, Old Yeller. If you've read it, please don't share the ending with your child. © After reading our novel, we will watch the movie and compare. The book is always better!

We are finishing up our science book this week. After we are done, we will be spending some time in our Science Magazine and doing Power Point presentations on different science topics.

In math, we will finish up our chapter on geometry, and then we will spend some time reviewing skills that are needed for next year. We will also be working on some skills that will be helpful in junior high.

This month we will spend our Social Studies period working on our Wax Museum project. We are in the midst of gathering information right now. Next, we will be busy writing an outline and using it to complete our research paper. Finally the other half of our project begins- preparing for the Wax Museum by writing a speech and memorizing it. It's a fun project, and your child is very enthusiastic about it. All of the work will be done in class with lunch/ recess time being offered if your student falls behind. Our Wax Museum will be Friday, May $18^{\text {th }}$ at 2 p.m. We welcome parents, grandparents, siblings, and any other family members that would like to view our hard work. An invitation will come home in a few weeks.
***Thank you for all your support this year. We've had a tremendous year of learning and growing. **** Keep reading and practicing math over the summer!


Mrs. DeGraaf


## News from Mrs. Scott

PARCC Testing went well and I was very proud of the effort everyone gave during all of the tests! We started a new novel last week and there will be a lot of fun discussion, projects and a movie at the end!

In Geography, we are working through our unit about Africa. Each student chose a country in Africa to research. These projects will be presented during class and we will all learn a lot about many different countries! It's a good experience to present information to our classmates and it teaches us how to be in front of a class, too! We will also get to try a nice variety of African recipes! In Science, we are completing a chapter on rocks and minerals. We will be studying the Solar System before the end of the year.

In $7^{\text {th }}$ grade Social Studies, we have been learning about westward expansion. We will also be studying about the effects of slavery and life during the 1800's leading up to the Civil War. We will be talking about early education methods. The students will be creating McGuffey Readers and have the opportunity to present them to our $\mathrm{K}-1^{\text {st }}$ grade classes. That is always a fun day for the $7^{\text {th }}$ graders! We have quite a bit of interesting material to cover during the last month of school!

In $8^{\text {th }}$ grade Social Studies, we have been learning about WWII, including factors that led Hitler to take the paths he did, the history behind the Manhattan Project and also various battles that led to the conclusion of the war. During the last several weeks, we will be completing a unit on the Cold War and will be studying changes in American life during the Civil Rights Movement. I have really enjoyed working with all of the students at Lisbon Grade School! Thank you so much for your support throughout this year!



News from Miss Zielske
PARCC tests are over, and we are all proud of our students for working so hard! Way to go!

The sixth graders are finishing units on friendly letters and business letters. Next, they will start their Ancient Civilizations research papers. After completing a final draft and learning to write an MLA-style bibliography, we will finish the year by learning about persuasive advertising strategies.

The seventh grade research papers on "medieval times" topics have been very interesting. They learned about the note-taking process, outlining, and avoiding plagiarism. We just finished final drafts and will be doing a unit on persuasive strategies in infomercials next. In reading, the seventh graders are enjoying their literature circle groups. This involves reading a novel in small groups and completing different jobs that help with comprehension such as summarizing, finding important quotes, and defining tricky words.

The eighth graders have finished learning about verbals and verbal phrases. We have just started learning about verb moods before finishing the year with some fun writing activities like fan fiction and PSAs. In reading, the eighth graders just worked in groups to solve a lunch room food fight mystery and had to analyze evidence from reliable and unreliable witnesses. They are finishing the year with literature circle books on dystopian societies.

The last day to earn points for AR rewards is May $16^{\text {th }}$. However, $8^{\text {th }}$ graders have until May $18^{\text {th }}$ to finish their second book, and $7^{\text {th }}$ grade has until May $25^{\text {th }}$ to complete their second book for the quarter. Congratulations to everyone who went above and beyond the 2 book requirement each quarter and earned great prizes. Keep reading over the summer! I know I am going to get a head start on the Rebecca Caudill nominees!


I hope everyone is looking forward to a great summer! Miss Zielske

# News from Mrs. Heap 

## KEEP CALM AND USE THE QUADRATIC FORMULA

Junior High Math classes are busy completing their math books. Eighth grade is finishing up the Algebra book with graphing quadratic equations. Seventh grade is continuing to work on algebra by learning about scientific notation, exponents, and roots. Sixth grade will end the year by using integers to add, subtract, multiply, and divide within equations and expressions.

Seventh grade science class has welcomed a new addition...Mr. Bones. He is a life-sized skeleton that the students used to learn about the bones and joints in the human body. Seventh grade will finish the year by dissecting a cow eyeball and completing an egg baby project. Eighth grade completed the Illinois Science Assessment. This is a required test by the state of Illinois that assesses all the material students have learned through eighth grade. Eighth grade will finish up the semester by building different types of batteries. This is a new project and I hope it will be educational and enjoyed by all!

## $8^{\text {th }}$ Grade Homeroom News

We are planning to uphold the traditional Game/Movie Day for the graduating class. On Wednesday May $23^{\text {rd }}$, we will have movies/board games/video games in the Science room and the Library from 8:15 AM until 11:30 AM. LOOP will be providing the food (beef sandwiches, chips, and pop) and graduation $t$-shirts. Families that signed up to provide a dessert will receive a reminder a week before graduation day.

As a junior high teacher, May is bittersweet. When we come to school in August, I am always amazed at how much the kids change over the few short months of summer. When I look back at where the eighth graders started the year and where they are now, I am equally amazed. It has been a pleasure to see how much each student has grown and changed during their time at LGS. Eighth graders...I hope you are eager and excited to embark on the next phase of your life. I wish you the best of luck in high school. You are a great group, and I am proud of all you have accomplished! You have set the bar high...keep trying to rise above it!

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For 6th-8th Grade Students
Friday, May 4 7:45-9:15 am
Thursday, May 10 7:45-9:15 am
FINAL REHEARSAL
For 5th-8th Grade Students
Monday, May 14
Final Band Rehearsal
7:55 am at Newark High School.
Students will be bussed back to school at 9:30 am

Select students have been asked to help set up at 7 am on Monday, May 14. Donuts and juice for all Early Morning Volunteers. Please show up only with invite from Ms. Chase.

## Band: Luigi's Lunch

Tuesday, May $15^{\text {th }}$
11:00 am-2:20 pm-Luigi's Pizza, Aurora
Parent permission \& \$\$ due Friday, May 11 ! Download from website! chaseourband.com Cost is $\$ 12$. Plus laser tag. Would love some parent help!

## A SPRING CONCERT...

 Monday, May14@7pm@ Newark High School
Wear: Band uniform Arrival time-6:30pm

Remember: Baseball/softball are NOT an excused absence. Plan ahead. Students who do not perform at the concert cannot attend our Luigi's lunch. No exceptions!


## SUMMER BAND

a WONDERFUL, AWESOME EXPERIENCE. MUSIC PROFESSIONALS COMING TO NEWARK! Please sign-up! It will be worth it! Need Permission Slip: Download @ chaseourband.com

June 18-22
June 25-29
Mini Concert @ 11 am (Last Day!)

Sports Dome Fun on Friday, June 29
Unlimited mini golf, go karts, and bungee jumps! Pizza Lunch 12:30-3:00 pm

GOING ON VACATION? Or playing softball? No problem...come 1 week or 2 weeks, FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE!


Note: Students who do not perform in our May $14^{\text {th }}$ concert and/or attend our final rehearsal can not attend this fieldtrip.

