



April Newsletter

Spring News from Mrs. Elias

Kindergarten Registration:

Kindergarten registration for the 2019-2020 school year will be held at the school on Friday, April 12th from 1:30 - 2:30 P.M. During registration, the incoming kindergarten students are invited to visit the current kindergarten classroom.

While the children are in class, parents will go to the library to pre-register the students for the fall session. At this time, registration and enrollment forms need to be completed. Information needed to complete these cards include: names and telephone numbers of the child's doctor and dentist, phone numbers where the child's parents can be reached during the day and a relative or neighbor whom the school should contact if unable to reach the parents.



To be eligible to attend kindergarten during the 2019-2020 school year: A child must be five years old on or before September 1, 2019 and A certified copy of the child's birth certificate must be presented at the time of registration. **Parents will also need to bring with them two forms of residency identification that includes their name and physical address.** Examples: A property tax bill, rental agreement, voter registration card, utility bill, credit card bill, etc. **Junk mail does not qualify.**

Parents will also receive physical, dental, and vision examination forms. Kindergarten students will not be allowed to begin school in August unless these forms have been completed and returned to the school.

School fees will be paid during the regular school registration days on either August 5th or 8th. Pre-registration of new kindergarten students allows the school to organize the kindergarten class and transportation schedule.

Any questions, please don't hesitate to call the school at (815)736-6324.

Sports Physicals:

Newark Healthcare Center is graciously doing sports physicals again for Lisbon Grade School on Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 12 PM. The fee for these physicals will be \$20 cash or check made payable to **Morris Hospital**. They are also offering an incentive and plan to "give back" to the school by offering the fees back to go towards the end of year character counts assembly. So if your student needs a sports physical for next year, this is a great way to free up an appointment for you plus help the school. All students participating in a school sport must have a sports physical before they participate with the exception of 6th grade that must have a complete school physical prior to participating.



Recycle:

We want to encourage community members and parents to bring their old newspapers for the paper recycle bin and any clothing articles for the UsAgain clothing bin both on the south side of the building. These are both great ways to teach our students how to recycle and be environmentally smart.



Bus Notes:

The school requires that parents always write a note to the office or teacher if a student is to go home from school by a different method than normal. Often times children get mixed up on dates or where they are to go if a note is not sent. Our policy is to have students follow the normal routine unless they have a note or the school receives a phone call from the parents.

Graduation:

8th Grade Graduation will be held on Wednesday, May 22nd at 7:00 P.M. Individual student pictures will be taken at 6:00 P.M. All 8th grade students must be here at 6:00 P.M.



Kindergarten Graduation:

Kindergarten Graduation will be held on Thursday, May 23rd at 10:00 A.M. in the gym with the traditional kindergarten picnic to follow.

Interested In being a Substitute Teacher?...

Finding substitute teachers has been difficult for all schools across Illinois. To help with this shortage, the Professional Development Alliance, Joliet, is offering a 3.5 hour workshop for those interested in obtaining the new Short Term Substitute License. It is available to candidates that hold an Associate's degree or 60 semester hours of coursework. The cost is \$25 and you can register by 4/8 at:

<https://www.pdaonline.org/Registration/WorkshopDetail.php?id=190412W-1>

The class will be on April 12, 2019 from 8:30-12pm at the PDA in Joliet.



Bus Driver Needed

Interested in driving a school bus? Stop in or call the school at 815-736-6324. This is great extra income for a stay at home parent, retired individual or grandparent.



Valedictorian & Salutatorian April 2019

Lisbon Community Consolidated Grade School is proud to announce the Valedictorian and Salutatorian for the 2018-2019 school year. Valedictorian has been awarded to Breannyn Dixon. She achieved a perfect 4.00 GPA during her time at LGS. Salutatorian has been awarded to Tayton Hardecopf. She attained a cumulative GPA of 3.95. Congratulations to both award winners. We are proud of your hard work and dedication!

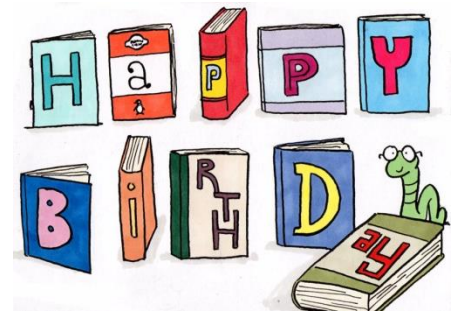
Library Birthday Books

Celebrate your child's birthday by donating a new book to the library! This is neat for the kids because the library will put their name on a card in the book. It also helps volunteers in the library to know what kind of books the students are interested in. It is a wonderful way to add new books to the library! Thank you to those that have already donated this year.

Stallion by Starlight, A Perfect Time For Pandas, and Haunted Castle on Hallows Eve

By: Mary Pope Osborne

Donated by Evan Smith for his November birthday.



Caudill Club News

The qualifying students celebrated with an ice cream party in the library after school on March 11th. We discussed our favorite books as we devoured our ice cream sundaes. The 2019 winner of the Rebecca Caudill Award goes to Ghost by Jason Reynolds.

Mrs. Rehberg

Spring Music News

The LGS spring music concert will be Thursday, May 16th. The concert begins promptly at 6:30 P.M. and students need to meet in their classrooms at 6:10 P.M. The concert performance is a music grade. If your child is unable to attend, a written note must be given to the office or their classroom teacher. We look forward to seeing you at the concert for some great music!



Musically,
Mrs. Pfizenmaier

News from Coach McKinney

It's here....and gone....Spring Break! Things get pretty chaotic around LGS after Spring Break! The end of the year is exciting but very busy!! Now if the weather would learn that it is supposed to be spring, it would be much more fun!!

We have just finished our volleyball and square dancing units in PE. Thank you to Patsy Mathre for being a guest in our PE classes as she is a square dancing pro! The kids had fun trying out new dancing techniques and skills. The Jr. High had a great time competing against each other in volleyball games and activities. In health, the 8th graders are finishing their chapters on tobacco, drugs and alcohol.

Good luck to the track team as their season begins. Hope the weather cooperates! The scholastic bowl team is in the middle of their season and working hard and doing well!

Good luck teams and GO LIONS!!!



News from LOOP

Please join us for our next meeting, which will be held Tuesday, April 2nd! It is scheduled for 7:00pm in the school library. There, we will be holding elections for President and Secretary. Each office serves a two year term. We would love to welcome some new officers to the mix, and will assist in the training to ensure a smooth transition. We will also be discussing proposed fundraisers for the 2019-2020 school year, as well as planning teacher appreciation week, 8th grade and Kindergarten graduation, and preparing for field day.

As stated, Teacher Appreciation Week is quickly approaching. We will be celebrating our Amazing teachers in May. It is always such fun, but wouldn't be possible without our

wonderful community of volunteers. If you are willing to help, contact Emily Friestad or Janet Long.

Please continue sending in your Box Tops! Box Tops are being collected in all classrooms, and really do add up. We have been able to use these to purchase playground equipment for the students to use during recess. We appreciate your support!



Spring Kindergarten News

WOW! The kindergarten class is eager to read so that they can earn points in A.R., as well as earn prizes! Keep up the wonderful reading! It is very evident when parents work with their children at home. The interest and the ability increases to an incredible level!

In April, we will be having our Book-It pizza party. If your student has completed his/her reading goal for all six months, they will participate in the pizza party during lunch. Please encourage your child to keep working hard at reading.

As we look into April, we will have a "Family Kite Project". I will be sending home poster board in the shape of a kite, and the families will decorate their kites at home. It's always fun to see the variety of kites that come back to school.

We look forward to our end of year field trip! We will be going to the Shedd Aquarium on Thursday, May 9th. Parent names will be drawn soon to determine who will be going along with us on our end of year field trip.

The class is looking forward to Friday, April 12th, our Kindergarten Registration. The class remembers coming in last year to visit, and they are excited to be showing the new class around. We will have a snack and do some fun spring activities. If you know of any new families that will have Kindergarteners next year, please let them know about the registration!

Happy Spring!
Mrs. Dike



First Grade News!

Thank you to all the parents who attended conferences. It was great to see you and catch up on things going on in our classroom! I appreciate your time and support.

March Book-it forms will be accepted when we return from Spring Break. The last day I will accept the March form is Tues., April 2. A note will be sent home with your child if he/she met their goal for all 6 months of the reading contest. A Pizza Hut party is being planned for April.

Keep up the good work first graders! Our AR program is going great! I love to see how excited the students get when they reach another prize level for reading and receiving

more points! I am so proud of them! I encourage them and push them to continue to read and take the quizzes. I told them I would love to see everyone in our class get a prize next month! Let's do it 1st grade!

In English we are practicing expository writing. We brainstorm with ideas, plan out thoughts and make them into sentences. Finally we write a paragraph! Keep working hard! You can do it!

Our first Math book is complete...moving on to the next book! We have started this new book with a chapter on telling time.

Science class has been exciting in first grade. We have quite a few little scientists! We have done a St. Patrick's Day experiment and a floating experiment. The students are working together with a partner or a small group to predict, write steps, journal the outcome of the experiment and discuss what actually happened. It's fun to see them working it out together!

Our class has enjoyed Social Studies, we have learned many facts about Washington D.C., George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Ask your child to tell you some things they learned in Social Studies.



I hope you have a great Spring Break
and enjoy the time off with your family!

Mrs. Jacobson

Second Grade News

We are ready to welcome spring in second grade! We are tired of gray dreary days. Sunshine, warmer weather and being outside are some of the things we are looking forward to. We have been looking for signs of spring. We were pretty excited to start seeing robins out our window last week. Please check the weather in the morning before school so you know whether you need to send your child in a coat. Weather can be so unpredictable, and we usually are outside for recess.

I am trying to introduce the students to different types of writing. Usually we find one type of book that appeals to us, and we don't venture out of that area. As I help the students find their books for their cereal box book reports, I will try to find them books that challenge them or are different than what they usually read. We need five more cereal boxes before we can start our book reports. Thank you in advance for your help with this project!

This quarter we will begin to learn the cursive capital letters. It is a very exciting time for second graders. Please remind your child to practice the cursive letters that we have learned at home. Joining the letters to form words is especially difficult. The idea that you

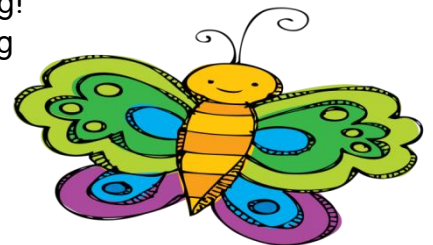
can't lift up your pencil when writing a word is challenging some of the students. In spelling we will be learning to write the words in print and cursive. On the tests, though, I will only grade the printed words.

We will spend the month of April learning about eggs, chickens, incubation, and embryology. Our eggs should arrive in the mail the second week of April. The class has been looking forward to it all year! It is a favorite unit of mine as well. Pretty soon everyone in the class will be "egg-sports"!

Keep encouraging your child to read in his/her spare time. As the weather warms up it is hard to keep everyone reading! We compared our latest fluency check to the one we took previously. Some students went down in the number of words read per minute. This indicates to me that students need to be reading more and challenging themselves to read harder material. Be on the lookout for information regarding the Book-It pizza party if your child completed all six months of the program.

This week we have been reading Flat Stanley and writing our letters. I will mail our letters over break. When Stanley returns please send him in to share his adventures with the class.

Happy spring!
Mrs. Rehberg



Spring in Third Grade

Our class has been very busy. We will be taking the IAR tests in April. The school will start taking the IAR on Friday the 12th. Please make sure your child gets plenty of sleep during testing. Also make sure your student has a healthy breakfast during testing. I will send home a list of the dates we will be testing. I am very proud of them. Keep up the good work at home with your child.

Please continue to read each night for at least 20 minutes. Your child should be practicing multiplication and division facts too. They can go on IXL to practice.

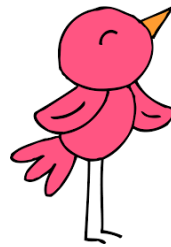
Congratulations to Weston Friestad, Nate Swenson, and Colt Zabel for completing the Kane County Cougars Ozzie's Reading Club. Have fun at the game.

In April we will be having our Book-It pizza party. If your student has completed his/her reading goal for all six months, they will participate in the pizza party during lunch. Please encourage your child to keep working hard at school. Hope you have a great spring break ☺

Thank you,
Mrs. Doorn



Fourth Grade News



It was great visiting with all of you during Parent/Teacher conferences. When parents show an interest in how their child is doing in school, I feel it makes the child want to succeed. Thank you for encouraging your child to do his/her best at all times.

Congratulations to Connor Fitzgerald and LeAnn Monsess for completing the Kane County Cougars Ozzie's Reading Club. I hope to see you at a game!

In the month of April, we will be completing the IAR tests. Attendance is extremely important during these few weeks of testing. These tests can be lengthy and they are difficult to make up. Please try not to schedule any appointments that will cause your child to miss school. Also, I will allow the children to have a healthy snack and water before or after each test. Please send in something small with a water bottle each day that we test. Some examples would be pretzels, apple slices, crackers, granola bars, etc. IAR testing will begin on Friday, April 12th. I will send home an exact schedule the first week of April.

April is a good time to remind your child to continue to work hard and to read. Once the weather warms up, everyone dreams of being outside and at times their class work suffers. Please continue to encourage your child to do his/her best in school. I hope everyone will have time to relax a little and get refreshed over break.



Happy Spring Break!
Mrs. Myre ☺

April in 5th Grade

Spring is in the air! Finally! I hope that everyone has a wonderful spring break, and that we are all ready to finish the school year strong.

We have several students who are finishing up the Book-It program.

Congratulations to Logan Bols, David Monsess, Zach Zabel, and Kendon Hardecopf.

After this month, they will have completed six months of reading- 300 minutes each month! They've earned one personal pan pizza every month, and by completing the whole program, they will participate in a school wide pizza party. Nice job! We've also finished Ozzie's Reading Club. Our participants were **Zach Zabel, Logan Bols, Jorgen Friestad, and David Monsess**. They read an extra 90 minutes every two weeks which is a total of 360 minutes in 8 weeks- in addition to the rest of the reading required! Great job, book worms! Reading does lead to success!

We are gearing up for our **IAR exam**. We will begin the week of the 15th. We've been practicing both math and reading in class almost daily. I will send home a note beforehand to remind you of our testing dates and when students can bring in snacks for extra fuel. We will also be taking the NGSS state science exam on April 26th. Currently in Science, we are studying taste- most specifically sour, spicy, and other flavors. Ask your fifth grader

about what they've learned and experienced. We've also conducted a lab using the pH scale.

We are starting our **Annual Wax Museum Project**. Your student should have received a packet with due dates and what is expected. Currently, our goal date to present our projects and work is May 3rd. We will have to work around IAR testing, track meets, field trips, a music concert, and a band concert. Whew! I will send out a note at the beginning of May as a reminder. Parents, siblings, aunts, uncles, and grandparents are invited! The students are really excited about this project!

Thank you to our parents who came to conferences. I enjoyed talking about how successful your students are becoming. I will miss them!

Mrs. DeGraaf



News from Mrs. Scott

It has been a very busy March! Hopefully, we will be enjoying some nice, Spring weather soon! In Reading, we are continuing to prepare for the IAR testing which will be administered in April. We have also been working on daily journal prompts that have sparked great creativity in our class! I am very pleased with the effort in writing on these assignments! In Geography, we have been studying about Africa. The students will be choosing a country and will be researching various facts to make a presentation for the class, similar to the format we used for the Europe projects. The students have been learning a lot about landforms, deserts, rivers and the names of the countries that make up Africa. In Science, we have learned about the characteristics necessary to classify minerals, as well as the three types of rocks. We have also been looking at various rock samples and learning to identify them based on a variety of methods.

In 7th grade Social Studies, we have been discussing the Industrial Revolution, Westward expansion and Jacksonian Democracy. We continue to watch CNN Student News each day and the students are learning to take notes and recall information on daily quizzes.

In 8th grade Social Studies, we have just completed our unit on the U.S. Constitution. This is a requirement for 8th grade graduation and everyone did a great job staying on task and working through all of the material we needed to cover. It has been a lot of fun teaching this group and I am very proud of all of them on this accomplishment!

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Warm days are coming soon!

Mrs. Scott

April News from Miss Zielske



March really flew by!

The sixth graders just finished their poetry unit and will be starting research papers after IAR testing. They will be working on organizing their facts, starting sentences in a variety of ways, and learning about Works Cited pages.

The seventh graders just wrapped up a letter writing unit. We practiced writing friendly letters, business letters of complaint, and thank you letters for strange gifts. They will be picking their topics for their medieval times research papers after break.

The eighth graders just finished typing their World War II research papers. They did a fantastic job with our new skills of using direct quotes and parenthetical citations. Next, they will learn about letter writing, verbals, and verbal phrases. After break, the eighth graders will be starting literature circles with a variety of recent novels. Many of these novels focus on dystopian or apocalyptic societies. I am looking forward to some good discussion on what the students would do if they were the characters in the novels.

The first AR book for fourth quarter is due on April 26th.

I hope everyone has a relaxing and fun spring break!

Miss Zielske

Spring News from Mrs. Heap



Math classes are busy preparing for the IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) test. Each day, we will be working on a combination of problem solving and review. After we conquer the IAR, sixth grade will work on getting acquainted with using integers while seventh grade becomes more fluent solving algebraic equations. Eighth grade will have an added bonus of mastering operations with polynomial. Remember that all LGS students can practice math on IXL.com wherever there is an internet connection. Take advantage of this great tool to help reinforce concepts learned in class.

Seventh grade science class has finished presenting their 3rd quarter projects. In the 4th quarter, we will focus on the systems of the human body, which includes memorizing certain bones in the body and the ever popular cow eyeball dissection. Eighth grade science class will be preparing for the Illinois Science Assessment. After the ISA, students will start their final project on a "Sound and Light" topic of their choice. The projects require using different applications, including Word, Excel, and Power Point software. Everyone will be using the classroom laptops to complete the projects.

I hope everyone has a relaxing and rejuvenating spring break! I am looking forward to seeing how much we can accomplish in the last quarter of school. As always, please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Mrs. Heap

2018-2019
Lisbon Grade School – 3rd Quarter



High Honor Roll

6th Grade

Tess Carlson

Gwen Friestad

Honor Roll

6th Grade

Kaleb Carlson

Brooke Lieser

Addison Long

Dylan Long

Eleanor Reibel

Emma Salato

7th Grade

Danielle Monsess

Hannah Sandoval

Emma Schultz

Blake Wallin

7th Grade

Clay Friestad

Brooklyn Hatteberg

Logan Jacobsgaard

Henry Mathre

Gavin Rush

Kiara Wesseh

8th Grade

Zach Carlson

Breannyn Dixon

Tayton Hardecopf

Alexis Reibel

Cole Reibel



Band Notes

SPRING CONCERT

Monday, May 13
7 pm @ NHS

Remember:
Black shoes/Black pants
AND
Band uniform shirt!!!

Looking ahead...
Luigi's Pizza Fun
Tuesday, May 14!



**SUMMER BAND
COMING SOON!**

Save the dates for Summer Band

JUNE 17th-JUNE 28th

Monday-Friday
mornings!!



Friday, June 21-Six Flags Day!

**A.M. COMBINE
6th-8th Grade**

Spring Combined Band Schedule

Friday, April 26th
7:45 am-9:15 am

Thursday, May 2nd
7:45 am-9:15 am

Friday, May 10
7:45 am-9:15 am

Monday, May 13 (concert day)
7:45 am-9:15 am