

LEOPARD "SPOTLIGHT"

LINCOLN ELEMENTARY



October 2010

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Our year is well underway and parent/teacher conferences are already scheduled for the first quarter on Monday, October 25 and Thursday, October 28 from 4:30 - 8:30. It is exciting to have an opportunity to dialogue early in the school year with parents. Along with meeting with classroom teachers, specialty teachers (art, music, physical education) are also available to discuss student progress with parents. Our computer lab will be open for parents to learn more about "Study Island". The library will be the home of the Scholastic Book Fair that we host each fall at Lincoln. In the lunchroom at 5:00 and 7:00 each evening, Dr. Patrick will lead discussion and answer questions re: the Dakota STEP Assessment (which all of our 3 - 6 grade students take each spring). Reports for students who attended Lincoln last year will be distributed by classroom teachers at conferences so all parents with students in grades 4 - 6 will have the most current assessment information available from spring 2010 testing. If those times (5:00 or 7:00 PM) do not work for you and you have questions, stop by or call the office at any other time. Thank you for putting parent/teacher conferences on your calendars!

CROSSWALKS

Please reinforce the use of designated crosswalks with your children. We appreciate parents modeling the appropriate way to safely cross the street at intersections.

October Activities

Friday, October 1st

Night Creatures Assembly

8:35AM

Midterms sent home

Tuesday, October 5th

Elementary Cross Country Run at Stadium

5th Grade Parent Lunch

Wednesday, October 6th

3rd Grade Ag Day

Final Day of 6th Grade Swim Unit

Thursday, October 7th

6th Grade Parent Lunch

Monday, October 11th

NO SCHOOL

Native American Day

Tuesday, October 12th

Author visits Lincoln

1st Grade Parent Lunch

PTO Meeting 5:15 PM library

Thursday, October 14th

2nd Grade Parent Lunch

Tuesday, October 19th

3rd Grade Parent Lunch

Thursday, October 21st

4th Grade Parent Lunch

Picture Retakes

October 25th & October 28th

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Book Fair in Library

Tuesday, October 26th

Volleyball Day 5th-AM 6th-PM

Wednesday, October 27th

12:30 Dismissal

AM Kindergarten meets

NO PM Kindergarten

Friday, October 29th

Lincoln Leopard Day

wear Blue & White

CROSS COUNTRY RUN

Watertown Stadium
Tuesday, October 5th, 2010

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

5:30 Grades K-2 800 Meters
5:50 Grades 3-4 1200 Meters
6:10 Grades 5-6 1600 Meters

The top 10 boys and top 10 girls will be awarded medals. Ribbons will be presented to all finishers.

No preregistration is required. Please be ready to run fifteen minutes before race time.

Parents and other spectators are asked to watch the races from the stadium seats. **GOOD LUCK.**



WATER BOTTLES

Students may bring a water bottle to use at school during the day. Please put their name on the bottle (or a piece of tape on the bottle) so we know which water bottle belongs to whom.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Lincoln School has set first quarter Parent/Teacher conferences for Monday, October 25th and Thursday, October 28th. Conference slips will be sent home with your child(ren).

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

You are invited to come to the Lincoln Library for the Scholastic Book Fair. It will run Monday, October 25th and Thursday, October 28th. For your convenience, stop by before or after conferences with your child(ren). The fair will be open from 3:30 until 8:00.

The Book Fair will offer specially priced books and educational products, including newly released titles, award-winning titles, children's classics, interactive software, books for parents, and current bestsellers from more than 150 publishers. Attendees can help the school build classroom libraries by buying books for teachers through the Classroom Wish List.

Volunteers are needed in the library. If you can help out during the book fair or at any other time, please contact me.

Shelly Huffman, Librarian

CAMPUS PARENT PORTAL

Parents who have children in grades 3 through 6 have the opportunity to view their child's academic, attendance, and behavior record on-line. Just call the office and we will help you get set up - 882-6340.

CONFERENCE CHILDCARE



Need some drop-in childcare during conferences? The TUCKS Service Organization will offer baby-sitting while you attend your child's conference. You can bring your children to the Lincoln stage, sign them in, and the TUCKS girls will take care of the rest. A free will donation will be accepted for this service.

GIFTED AND TALENTED ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Information such as newsletters and schedules for WSD Gifted and Talented Program can be located on their website <http://watertown.k12.sd.us/gate/>

REMINDER FROM THE LIBRARY

There is a web site that you can check to see if a book has an AR quiz. It can be accessed two ways - from the Watertown School District home page <http://watertown.k12.sd.us/curren/> or go to <http://www.arbookfind.com>.

FAMILY RESOURCE DIRECTORY

Here is the link for the 2010 Family Resource Directory. <http://www.humanserviceagency.org/2009%20family%20resource%20directory.pdf>

MUSIC DATES



“language of mankind”
Henry Woodsworth Longfellow

As we look at the impact of music in our lives, research shows the importance of music in learning, and how it is involved in every aspect of our culture. We are excited to invite you to participate with us in our music performances. Save the dates now, for any or all, and join with us as we share our music with you.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2010
6:30PM IN THE LINCOLN GYM
GRADE 4

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2010
6:30PM IN THE LINCOLN GYM
GRADE 2

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2011
7:00PM AT DD MILLER GRADES 5
& 6

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2011
6:30PM IN THE LINCOLN GYM
GRADE 3

THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2011 6:30PM
IN THE LINCOLN GYM – GRADE 1

Looking forward to seeing you there!

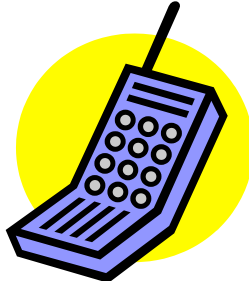
Mrs. Ingalls & Mrs. Werness

“Without music life would be an error”

Friedrich Nietzsche

NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCHES

A reminder to families that parents are invited to join their child(ren) for lunch to celebrate our hot lunch program. Although specific dates have been designated throughout the month of October for each grade, parents are always welcome as long as reservations for hot lunch are made BEFORE 9:00 AM on the day they will be attending.



CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS

The Lincoln School Student Council is coordinating CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS. This is a project involving recycling outdated, broken or unwanted cell phones and then delivering them to the Frank H. Adams Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 750 or the Codington County American Legion Post 17 who will send them to a central location where the proceeds from the donated cell phones will be used to buy prepaid calling cards for American troops. Please help us SUPPORT OUT TROOPS by bringing your outdated, broken or unwanted cell phones to Lincoln School. The Student Council will take care of delivering them to the VFW or American Legion. Collection of the cell phones will begin September 27, 2010, and continue through the school year.

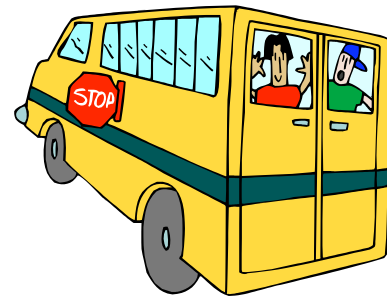
THANKS SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

Lincoln School Student Council
Student Council Advisors
Mrs. Tesch & Mrs. Huffman

PLANNING AHEAD - VETERANS' DAY

Please contact Ms. Tesch or Mrs. Huffman at Lincoln if you have a family member who is a veteran.

WATCH FOR DETAILS IN THE NOVEMBER LEOPARD “SPOTLIGHT”.



BUS SAFETY

The district provides a transfer bus #78 that runs from the middle school to the Boys/Girls Club. We encourage children to ride on this bus rather than walking.

We ask that parents have a conversation with their children encouraging them to make the right decision for their safety.

Sign up for our Listserv

What is a listserv, and why would I want to use one?

A listserv is an email application in which a sender (Lincoln School) can send one email to a whole group of people at one time. People that wish to receive the email need to subscribe to the list. The Lincoln listservs have been created to increase communication through email, and have provided a means for students, staff and parents to receive information about the school. You can subscribe to receive information, and un-subscribe when you change addresses or do not wish to receive the emails anymore.

Lincoln Elementary school has 8 different listservs and you can sign up for one or all of them. There is one for school communications and one for each of the grade levels (K - 6). A form has been provided for you to subscribe or unsubscribe. You are responsible for making sure your email is entered correctly.

To subscribe, go to the Lincoln Elementary School website:
<http://www.watertown.k12.sd.us/schools/elem/lincoln/index.htm> Once there, in the blue banner are a set of links. Click on the listserv link
Once you get to the Listserv page, choose the grade level you would like to join, and click on

[Welcome](#) / [Academics](#) / [Activities](#) / [Calendar](#) / [Information](#) / [Partners](#) / [Policies](#) / [Resources](#) / [Staff](#) / [Technology](#)
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that link. That will take you to a forms page (http://List_Serve.htm) that will allow you to place your page will allow you to unsubscribe, should you

www.watertown.k12.sd.us/schools/elem/lincoln/ name, email address, and subscribe. The same choose to.

For your convenience, the following form has been provided to help manage your WatertownLincoln1stGrade listserv subscription.

Note: If you don't get a "Welcome Subscription Message" in your e-mail soon after submitting, you entered an invalid e-mail address.

Your Name:

E-mail Address:

Command:

Once you subscribe, you will receive an email from the K12 Data Center telling you your application has been received. The Lincoln School then must approve your application, then you will be able to receive emails with timely updates about the school at grade level, or at the all student level throughout the year. You can only receive emails from this list, not send. Please enjoy our communications!

The Watertown
Arrow Education Foundation
Presents
Kim Brown ~ The REAL D.W.!

Thursday, October 14, 2010
7:00 pm
Jefferson Elementary School

BRING A CHILD,
BRING A FRIEND,



Kim Brown is the little sister and inspiration for the **ARTHUR** books and PBS TV series character **D.W.**

Kim's big brother, **Marc Brown**, has entertained children for years as an author and illustrator of award winning children's books.

MEET THE REAL D.W.

Thursday, October 14, 2010
7:00 pm
Jefferson Elementary School

A Visit From the Real D.W.

Experience a visit from the real D.W., also known as Kim Brown, who is the sister of Arthur creator, Marc Brown! D.W. will share a wealth of information as only a sister can do while inspiring students to read, write and draw.

Learn how characters are based on real people from childhood, see photos of where D.W. and Marc live and work, learn how Marc Brown writes a story and illustrates a book from start to finish using original sketches from actual books he has written; watch a show of Arthur in the famous Macy's Day Parade and learn how to draw Arthur on your own through an eight-step formula.

She will work with all students K-6th at Lincoln Elementary.

*Autographed
Books Available
for sale*



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September 23, 2010

Re: Upcoming School Vaccination Clinic

For the fourth year, free seasonal flu vaccine will be available for children aged 6 months through 18 years. This year the Department of Health is also making Tdap vaccine available to all children aged 11-14 years.

Tdap vaccine protects against tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (whooping cough). Several states are reporting outbreaks of whooping cough. In South Dakota, many parents are unaware that a Tdap booster is recommended for their adolescent children.

Influenza vaccination helps protect children from the flu and its complications and decreases the spread of influenza in the community, as children are often the biggest spreaders of the disease to adults and other children. During the 2009-2010 flu season 69% of South Dakota's cases were children 18 and younger and 50% of flu-related hospitalizations were for children 18 and younger.

The influenza and Tdap vaccines can be safely given at the same time. The state is supplying the vaccines free of charge, and there will be no administration fee at school-based clinics.

Vaccination clinics for all eligible infants and children will be held at the **Watertown Middle School on Thursday, November 4th, 2010 and Tuesday, November 9th, 2010 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Parents/guardians are encouraged to come to the clinic to be with their child when the vaccine is administered. If you would like your child to receive the vaccine but are unable to attend the clinic, you may designate another adult to bring your child. Parents/guardians will need to complete the following:

- Review the Vaccine Information Statements carefully - keep for future reference
- Complete one or both of the consent forms for the vaccine/s you wish your child to receive;
 - All children are eligible for Flu vaccine
 - Children aged 11-14 who need a booster are eligible for Tdap vaccine
- Send completed consent form/forms with designated adult.

Vaccine Information Statements and consent forms can be found online at <http://doh.sd.gov/WhoopingCough/default.aspx> and <http://doh.sd.gov/Flu/Default.aspx>.

Some children age 8 and younger will need 2 doses of flu vaccine this year

- Children aged 6 months – 8 years who did not receive any 2009-10 H1N1 vaccine need 2 doses separated by 4 weeks.
- Children aged 6 months – 8 years receiving seasonal flu vaccine for the first time need 2 doses of vaccine separated by 4 weeks.
- Children aged 6 months – 8 years who received seasonal flu vaccine for the first time last year but only had 1 dose need 2 doses separated by 4 weeks.

If you have questions about the vaccines or the scheduled clinic, please contact the South Dakota Department of Health in Codrington County at 882-5177.