

LEOPARD "SPOTLIGHT"

LINCOLN ELEMENTARY



SEPTEMBER 2010

A Warm Welcome to you!

Another school year has arrived. The staff and I would like to extend a special welcome to all students and their families, especially those attending Lincoln Elementary School for the first time.

Communication is the KEY! We ask that as parents you keep in close communication with the school as you play an important role in your child's education.

At the beginning of each month we will send home a calendar and newsletter outlining the important events for that month. Keep this for your information and reference as the month progresses. We will also post the newsletter as well as other documents on our listserve. There are instructions in your open house packets as to how to subscribe to our listserve. That way you can electronically remain updated.

Dr. Susan Patrick - Principal
Sandy Hoftiezer - Administrative Asst.

September Activities

Friday, August 27th

Picture Day

Monday, September 6th

No School - Labor Day

Tuesday, September 14th

PTO Meeting

12:15 P.M.

Friday, September 24th

Ki-Yi Day

Dismiss at 1:30 P.M.

AM Kindergarten meets

No PM Kindergarten

Monday, September 27th

6th Grade Swimming begins

Wednesday, September 29th

12:30 Dismissal

PM Kindergarten meets

8:30-11:30

No AM Kindergarten

SCHOOL PICTURES

The children will have their pictures taken on Friday, August 27th. Please return your picture packets before that day. We have a limited number of free basic packets available for children unable to purchase pictures. If interested please inquire at the office.

Student Absences

Please call the office by 8:30 A.M. if your child is ill and will not be attending school that day. It is appreciated when you notify us prior to absences you are aware of in advance.

Join Your Child for Lunch

Please feel free to have hot lunch with your child any day. However, it is essential that you call the school before 9:00 A.M. and let us know. All the food is prepared at the high school and needs to be ordered in advance. The cost of an adult meal is \$2.50 payable when you come. Thanks for your cooperation.

Our district is celebrating family week by setting specific days for parents to eat with children at school during October. Forms will be sent home with your children so watch for them and return them promptly.

School Lunch Prices

Regular Daily Breakfast Price
\$1.50
Reduced Daily Breakfast Price
\$.30
Regular Daily Lunch Price
\$1.75
Reduced Daily Lunch Price
\$.40
Individual Milk
\$.30

Free or Reduced Lunch

Applications for free or reduced lunches are being sent home with each child. Applications should be returned to the office as soon as possible. With our economy, it seems that more families have experienced a cut back of hours or job losses. A family of 4 qualifies for reduced lunch if they make less than \$40,793.00. The information is confidential and even your own child does not need to know if your family receives free/reduced lunches. Those on free/reduced lunches also receive free/reduced breakfasts. Please consider applying for this program.

Bus Rules

Please take the time to review how important it is to follow all posted rules when riding the bus. These rules are established for the safety of everyone riding the bus. If a student fails to follow these rules they may not be eligible to ride the bus. Thanks for your help with this important matter.

Activity Tickets

Students will again have the opportunity to purchase an activity ticket to all Watertown Arrows athletic events. The ticket will cost \$10.00 and is available in the office. Please make checks payable to the Watertown School District 14-4.



Health/Accident Insurance

Please review the student insurance information and complete the form indicating whether you want the insurance or not. Return the form with a yes or no response by Friday, Sept. 3, 2010.

ANNUAL STUDENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Please take the time to complete the Annual Student Contact Information Form and have your child return it to school as soon as possible.

KidScope

Kidscope will again be held for Lincoln Elementary School students for the 2010-2011 school year. Kidscope is an after school program that runs from 3:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. in the cafeteria. The program is designed to assist busy parents by allowing their children to remain in a safe and productive environment until their parents are home from work. If you would like more information on how to enroll your child in the program, please call the Boys/Girls Club at 886-6666 and ask for Lindsey.

Volunteers Needed

PTO - Parent Teacher Organization

Lincoln School will have a Parent Teacher Organization for the 2010-2011 school year. ALL parents are welcome to attend and this year meetings will alternate from 12:15/5:15 every other month to make it possible for all parents to get involved.

The next PTO Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 14th at 12:15 P.M.

School Hours

A.M. Kindergarten	8:30-11:30
P.M. Kindergarten	12:20-3:20
Grades 1-6	8:30 - 3:20

Teacher Inservice

School will be dismissed at 12:30 P.M. on Wednesday, September 29, so teachers can participate in various inservice activities. No Morning kindergarten will be held. Afternoon kindergarten students will meet starting at 8:30 A.M. These inservice activities enable our staff members to learn and work together to benefit our students.

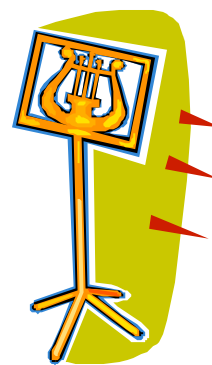
Visiting Lincoln School

We would like to thank all parents and visitors for taking the time to stop in the office when entering the building. The FRONT door (by flagpole) is unlocked all day. We would also like to encourage parents to take the time to sign their children in or out on the form in the office. These procedures will help us keep your children safe by knowing who is picking them up or dropping them off during the school day.

COME JOIN THE BAND!!!!

Information regarding 5th grade band recruitment will be sent home during the first week of school. Please look for this letter and return to school the following day. Each student will be given the opportunity to play two instruments to help the music staff determine the best instrument for them. If you have any questions, please contact

Robyn.Magstadt@k12.sd.us



Orchestra

The orchestra program has some very exciting dates coming up! We plan on recruiting for the 2010-2011 school year on August 30th and 31st. We will visit the 5th grade classrooms for any students wishing to play violin, viola, cello, or bass! We will demonstrate all the string instruments for the students and answer any questions they may have. Information about our program will be given to students those days to take home. Mark your calendars!

Kristin Rasmussen