

February Newsletter

Superintendent Comments

Important Notes to our Parents:

If you drop off your child in the morning after 8:20 A.M, please come into the office and sign him/her in. It is very important that the teacher and the office have consistent information so that our records are accurate.

All students who require medication at school (over-the-counter or prescription drugs) must have a physicians' signed approval and also a parent's signed consent. These forms are in your Lisbon Grade School Parent/Student Handbook or may be obtained in the school office. In addition, parents are responsible for labeling all non-prescription drugs with the student's name, doctor's name and dosage. The medication should be kept in the nurse's office during school hours.

During the annual fire and safety drills, some students noted that they did not have working smoke detectors in their homes. The local fire department wanted to inform parents that they can provide smoke detectors free of charge to those families that do not have them. Please contact the fire department if you are interested in this service.



Illinois Assessment Dates:

The state wide assessment test will be given April 9th - 20th. We ask parents to make sure that students have an adequate amount of rest and eat a good breakfast during testing week. Also, please avoid making appointments during this time, as students have to make up the test(s) missed at a later date.



Recycle:

We want to encourage community members and parents to bring their old newspapers or clothing items and deposit them in the correct recycle bin on the south side of the building. Any money earned is used for our end of year character counts assembly.

Kindergarten Registration:

Registration will be Friday, April 6th, at 1:30 P.M. in the library.



D.A.R.E.:

The Kendall County Sheriff's Department is providing an officer on a periodic basis to serve our school. He will be in the school building during the day to talk with students and to get to know our students, staff and community better. Our students have really enjoyed this interaction in the past and it is a great avenue for students to get to know our law enforcement officials.

Absences:

If you know your child is going to be absent, please call the school office and leave a message or call the school by 9 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, or an appointment they were aware of, they will still be charged for a hot lunch. Unfortunately, once the food is prepared, it must be eaten or thrown away. Along those lines, just a reminder that students are not to share food during lunch for safety/sanitary reasons.

Caudill Club

February 26th will be the last day to turn in Rebecca Caudill sheets. They need to be turned in by that morning. Students who read at least three of the nominated books and fill out our summary sheets may vote for this year's Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award. Those who qualify will vote for their favorite book on February 26th and will be rewarded with an ice cream party in April or May. Keep on reading!

Mrs. Rehberg

Student Council

Thank you to all the students and families who brought in hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves for the Mitten Tree collection. LGS donated 110 items to the Kendall County Food Pantry in Yorkville.

The water refill station project is well underway. Student council officers have been selling baked goods and raffle tickets for desserts and other items at the home basketball games. To date, we have raised over \$900 towards the estimated \$2000 that will be needed to purchase and install a water refill station. A big thank you to everyone who has donated the treats that we sold and also to the families that have donated baked goods and raffle items. We couldn't do it without you!

We will be collecting canned goods and paper products for the Kendall County Food Pantry until February 12th. We will also collect items as the cost of admission for the LOOP Movie Night on February 9th. Just bring in canned goods or paper products, and your admission is free. What a great way to have fun and help the community at the same time.



Food Collection

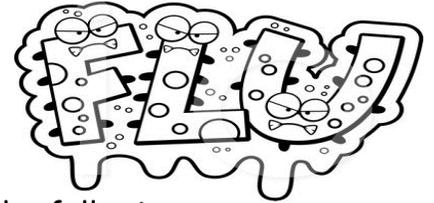


Flu Season/Visiting Physicians

The Nurse Practitioner from the Newark Health Clinic's office will be here April 23rd to do sports physicals for next year. Remember if your child plans to play in any sport they must have a current sport physical on file with the school office before beginning practices. The only exception will be for 6th grade which must have a complete school physical before practicing. On March 1st we will be having a dentist from Dentists R Us here to do dental exams if you still need one for this school year or for next this is a good way to take care of this. Forms for both of these services will be coming home soon. If you have questions you can always call the office.

Just a reminder to parents; this is flu season. Flu-like symptoms include the following:

Fever	Cough	Sore Throat
Runny Nose	Body Aches	Chills
Fatigue	Nausea/Vomiting	Diarrhea



Also, please remember to help prevent the spread of the flu by doing the following:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after you cough or sneeze. When soap and water are not available, alcohol-based and antibacterial hand cleaners and wipes are also effective.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Cover your nose and mouth with tissue when you cough and sneeze. Throw the tissues in the trash after you use it. (or a shirt sleeve or elbow if no tissue is available)

Please watch for any flu-like symptoms in your children and keep them home until they are fever free for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications.

News from Coach McKinney

We are officially in 2018!!! Can't believe we only have a few months left of this school year. Spring break will be here before we know it!! Looking forward to warmer weather!

In 8th grade Health, we are beginning to talk about smoking, tobacco, drugs and alcohol. We will be making anti-smoking posters as a part of this unit.

In PE, we have started our hockey units. They have done a great job at learning different skills and techniques. They also enjoyed competing against each other. We are looking forward to the month of February as we begin our square dancing and Jump Rope/Hoops for Heart activities. Be looking out for more information.

The girls' basketball teams have begun their seasons strong. The B team captured the first place trophy at the Millbrook Early Bird tournament. Both teams are working hard and improving! Good luck girls and GO LIONS!!!

Coach McKinney

LOOP NEWS



On February 9th, LOOP will be hosting a family movie night at school. Our featured film will be "Despicable Me 3". Bring along your family and friends! The doors will open at 6:00pm with the movie showing at 6:20pm. Admission will be one item per student/adult to help the Student Council food drive, and be donated to the Kendall County Food Pantry. We will be offering concessions such as pizza, popcorn, drinks, candy and more. You are welcome to bring pillows, blankets, or beanbags to sit on, as no chairs are allowed in the gym for this event.

Mark your calendars... LOOP's annual Pork Chop Dinner will take place Saturday, February 24th. We are excited to partner with a new vendor for this event. Clear View Pork Farm, LLC is a local pork producer located in Morris, IL, and has a fantastic reputation serving the surrounding community. Ticket packets will soon be sent home. LOOP is asking each family to sell 10 tickets. Additional tickets are available upon request. If you are unable to sell tickets, please return the packet to the school with your child. In addition to the Pork Chop Dinner, we will be having Bake Sale, 50/50, and also will be raffling off a tablet!



Our February meeting has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts but please join us Tuesday, March 6th at 4:30 PM.

Resource News

We have been super busy getting back in the swing of things! The students in 8th grade have been working on short stories and adding key points to elaborate and give more detail within their story. The Kindergarteners have been working hard in the RTI room. We continue to read their weekly decodable books and sight words. We have also added spelling words to our day. The 1st graders are working on weekly sight words, reading fluency, and finding nouns in stories. The 2nd graders are working on their weekly story and phonics skills. Third grade continues to read their weekly story in the RTI room. We are also working on multiplication facts. They would benefit from working on math flashcards at home. The 4th graders are working on their multiplication and division skills in the resource room.

Mrs. Darnell

Kindergarten News

January 30th marked the 100th Day of School! The Kindergarten class celebrated by reading 100's Day books, counting to 100 in different ways, eating a 100's Day Snack Mix, and making 100's Day posters. Please be sure to stop in and view our posters in the hallway!

In Math, we continue to work on composing and decomposing numbers. We will also continue to discuss the number families, as well as sums of 5. Please review worksheets that come home, and any additional practice would be greatly appreciated!

We will continue with Book-It and Ozzie's Reading Club. Please be sure to record your child's minutes for Book-It, and record at least 4 books every 2 weeks for Ozzie's Reading Club, our newest reading incentive. They are excited to earn a free ticket to the ballgame!

We look forward to our Valentine's Day Party on February 14th at 2:00. Thank you to the parents who are planning the party for us! A class list will be sent out for the students to make Valentines for their classmates. Valentines can be sent in any time during the week of the party, beginning February 12th.



Mrs. Dike



First Grade News

Welcome to the third quarter, we will be learning lots of brand new concepts this quarter. Students are becoming more independent readers! When you are listening to your child read at home encourage them to sound out words they do not know. We are learning new phonics spelling patterns. First graders are doing a great job on AR and Book-It and returning homework! Keep up the good work! I appreciate your hard work! Ozzie Reading Club has started. Good Luck! Please encourage your child to read a little bit every night.

Valentine's Day Party will be on Wednesday, Feb. 14th at 2:00. Our party chairperson is Kristi Mathre. Food: Stefanie Thomas & Brianne Harms, Paper products: Tricia Bleuer, Drinks: Sheri Chartrand, Treat Bags: Ray Blaszcak, and Games: Meghan Seiberlich. Thank you to everyone helping!

I will be sending home a class list so the students can complete their valentine cards for their friends. We will be making a valentine mail pocket at school. The students will need to bring their valentine cards either Monday or Tuesday the week of the party.

Things happening in first grade.... We will be learning about the presidents, black history month (February) and bears! We have just completed our Unit 3 Reading Unit Test. I will send home updates/weekly reminders, so you know when there is no reading story and spelling lessons. There might be a shortened week when we plan to learn about our presidents and complete a few bear activities. Thank you for your cooperation!

Happy February!

Mrs. Jacobson



Second Grade News

January 30th marked one hundred days that we have been in school. It is hard to believe that we are already at that point in our school year. Many of our activities on our 100th day of school were geared towards the number one hundred. The students loved eating one hundred foods that day. Thank you to all who contributed food for that special day. We had fun with math!

Our Valentine's Day party will be held on February 14th at 2:00 p.m. Our chairman is Kesa Provancher. Jessie Carlson, Brooke Murphy, and Stefanie Thomas are signed up to send in food for our party. Tracy Zabel is signed up to send in drinks, and Pam Lieser is sending in paper products. Ginger Mitchell is on our list to provide treat bags. Cary Lieser is signed up to develop games. The students can send in their valentine cards any time the week before Valentine's Day. Please have your child write out his/her own cards. It is good handwriting practice. I will send home a class list. This year we are going to have a valentine box contest. This will be a home project. Boxes need to be decorated, include a slot for valentines, and be returned by February 9th. Cereal or shoe boxes work best for this activity. There will be prizes. I look forward to seeing the creative results!

Next month we are going to be doing cereal box book reports. We are in need of cereal boxes for this activity. Please start saving your empty cereal boxes and send them in. Try to encourage your child to read more and try harder books. I would like to see more students signed up for Accelerated Reader tests!

The second grade students need to increase their math skills. Please pull out the flashcards. Those addition facts to twenty should be automatic by the end of second grade. Students also need to memorize their subtraction facts. I would like to see more students taking advantage of the IXL Math online program that the school provides. Ideally I would like to see students working on this site for at least an hour a week. This is a great way to increase our math knowledge. I know it is difficult if your family does not have internet access.

The students have been working hard on improving their writing skills. This past month we have written about our favorite Christmas presents as well as compared and contrasted two versions of Little Red Riding Hood. They are getting to be great writers! I am very proud of them and their progress!

Happy Valentine's Day!
Mrs. Rehberg



Third Grade News

Wow! We have been really busy. We are finishing up multiplication and division. Please continue to work with your child on memorizing multiplication and division facts. Please have your child practice on IXL.com. We have begun practicing for the PARCC tests we will be taking in April. I will be sending home a note about PARCC tests later next month.

Our Valentine's Day party will be on February 14th at 2 PM. Terri Lynn Reibel is the chairperson for our party. The chairman will remind you of the items that your child is to bring in. If your child is bringing Valentine's, please make sure they have one for everyone in the class.

Please continue to encourage your child to read 20 minutes a night. We are still doing "Book it" and Ozzie's Reading Club. We are finishing up Unit 3 in Reading and will be reading a novel next.

Please make sure you are looking at your child's assignment notebook and signing it. You should also be reviewing the assignments to make sure they are completed and correct.

In Science we are learning about motion. In Social Studies we are learning about our country's history.

Thank you for all of your support at home,
Mrs. Doorn

Fourth Grade News

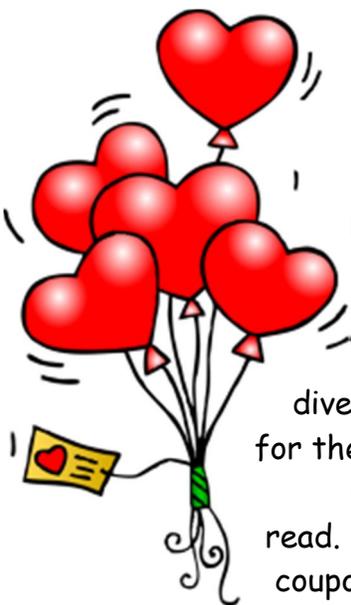
This year seems to be flying by and there is still so much to do. Please be watching backpacks for the Valentine's Day party volunteer sheet. If you are a volunteer, you will be contacted by the chair person. The party will be February 14th at 2:00. The chairperson and the games person will attend.

Thank you all for your help with all of the parties. It really is a nice diversion from the normal school day. If your child chooses to make valentines for the class, please be sure they make one for everyone on the list.

Ozzie's Reading Club Challenge is underway. Please encourage your child to read. The goal is only 90 minutes every two weeks. The first and second base coupons are due this Friday, February 2nd, and there are great rewards for getting a "homerun"! I am also giving those that turn in their slips a sweet treat. It's just another incentive for motivation. Just a reminder, it is separate from the Book-It program. Each child must read 300 minutes by the end of the month to receive their free pizza voucher from Pizza Hut. The best way to become a better reader is to READ!!!

A few upcoming events for you to mark on your calendar... The pork chop dinner will be on Saturday, February 24th. I hope to see you there. Lastly, PARCC testing isn't too far away. We have been talking about it and before you know it, it will be here. We will prepare as much as we can and do our best. The testing dates for Lisbon are in April. More to come when it gets closer...

Mrs. Myre ☺



Fifth Grade News

Happy February! I cannot believe that the school year is going by so fast!

In reading, we are halfway through a unit in our textbook that highlights artists and inventors. We will be learning about special effects in movies and writing our own "Blues" music along with reading and performing a play. After we finish this unit, we will be reading a novel, Love that Dog. It is a book written in poetry form. We will be learning about poetry and writing our own. During conferences, you will be able to read our poetry books. We've also starting preparing for the PARCC exam. One way to help at home is to encourage your 5th grader to read, read, and read.

In math, we are working on patterns. We've just finished decimals- adding, subtracting, dividing, and multiplying them. We review daily so that we get adequate practice. When we are finished with patterns, we will move onto fractions. Don't be alarmed if we move around in our math book this quarter- we want to make sure that we are covering everything that is on the PARCC.

In social studies, we are starting a chapter about the forming of the Colonies. We will read chapter 5 then do a colonist project.

In science, we are flying through our chapters trying to hit all the objectives that are covered on the 5th grade state science exam. The date and information about that will be sent home next month.

Thank you to our parents that have volunteered to bring treats for our Valentine's Party which is on 14th. We appreciate you all! The students will be planning their own party. I'm really excited to see the ideas they will come up with!



Happy February!
Mrs. DeGraaf

News from Mrs. Scott

January has been a busy month in 6th grade! In Reading, we just completed the novel, *Number the Stars*, by Lois Lowry. We had a lot of interesting discussions during this study and the students really enjoyed it! Coming soon... we will start working on some PARRC assessment practice passages in preparation for the tests that will be administered in the middle of April. We will also work on a variety of writing prompts to help each student do his/her best during the week of assessments. In Geography, we have learned about Europe and the differences between Eastern and Western European countries. We have been able to connect events in *Number the Stars* with historical events in Europe during the same World War II time period. In Science, we will be learning about rocks and minerals in our next unit. I am very proud of our 6th graders and encourage all of them to continue to complete daily assignments and always do their best!

In 7th grade Social Studies, we discussed the framework of the Constitution and how some of the goals of the founding fathers were achieved. We also learned about the qualifications for becoming an American citizen. The students even took a sample citizenship

test to get an idea of the written requirements. It was kind of interesting! We will be discussing the beginning of political parties, as well as Hamilton and Jefferson ideas. In our next chapter, we will be learning about American expeditions with Lewis and Clark. We have also been keeping informed about daily news events through our CNN Student News reports. The students are learning to be informed about what's going on around them. Keep up the good work, 7th grade!

In 8th grade Social Studies, we just completed our study of the Great Depression and the events leading up to World War II. We also started our unit on the Constitution. Each student was given a Constitution workbook and they will be responsible for completing daily assignments in it. We will do a variety of activities to help them learn all of the articles and amendments! Please encourage your student to participate in classroom discussions and review materials during this unit! They will all do a great job!

Please feel free to call or email me if you ever have any questions or concerns. Stay warm!

Mrs. Scott

Happy
Valentine's
Day

News from Miss Zielske

January has been a busy and productive month so far. Congrats to Logan Jacobsgaard, who is the winner of the school spelling bee!

The sixth graders have been enjoying our Genius Hour presentations. So far we have learned about the history of dance, Gameboys, kidney cancer, Sir Francis Drake and engines. We are finishing up their unit on using dialogue. After learning how to use quotation marks and commas correctly, the students will apply what they learned while writing several narrative stories using quotes. I am sure they will have some very interesting stories to share!

Seventh grade finished up their compare and contrast essays featuring two people of their choice. Some popular choices this year were athletes and singers. They have moved on to a unit on dialogue. In Reading, seventh grade finished a poetry unit where each group read and analyzed a set of poems and presented to the class. We also analyzed a speech by Cesar Chavez and had great discussion about equal rights for all races in America. They will be starting a unit on biographies and autobiographies next.

Eighth grade took a break from their reading books to try out some novels in verse. This year students picked from *The Crossover*, *Booked*, and *Hidden*. In English, we worked on a dialogue unit with a focus on split quotes. They had a great time with their assessment activity, which was writing a story with a "Debbie Downer" type character.

Congratulations to all the students who already have their first AR book read for the semester! The deadline for the first book is February 9th while the deadline for the second book is March 14th. Keep earning those prizes!

Scholastic Bowl will be starting in February, and the members will have their first match in March.

Miss Zielske



News from Mrs. Heap

Science Classes

Science classes are continuing to work on their curriculum. Eighth grade has been building ionic and molecular compounds out of marshmallows and toothpicks. They have also been preparing for the Illinois Science Assessment (ISA) that will be taken at the end of March. The ISA is a comprehensive exam that covers material from our 6th through 8th grade curriculum. We have been using IXL Science to review concepts from prior years. Seventh grade did a fantastic job presenting their Cell-O Jell-O projects to the entire school. In the coming weeks, they will be creating a "family" of pet monsters and diagraming how specific traits are passed down from generation to generation.

Math

The month of February will bring a lot of excitement to math classes. The eighth grade Algebra class has just finished working with exponential functions and will begin working on 8th grade geometry standards. Sixth and seventh grade will be mastering statistics and probability concepts over the next month. All junior high math classes have been using IXL.com to reinforce concepts learned in class. Classes are spending one class period per week preparing for PARCC testing. Since the test is completed on the computer, we are learning how to input equations, manipulate tools and diagrams, and use the technology to our advantage.

Valentine's Party

The junior high Valentine's Day party will be Wednesday, February 14th. We will have an early pizza lunch at school and then skate at Skateland in Channahon during the afternoon. Students will return to school before 3 pm. A letter and permission slip will be sent home approximately a week before the trip. Parents who signed up to provide treats or pop for the party will be receiving a reminder letter in the next week.

Please feel free to contact me at the school or at cheap@lisbon.k12.il.us with any questions or concerns.

Mrs. Heap



News from the Library

We would like to thank Brooklyn Wallin for donating Eva and the New Owl by Rebecca Elliot for her birthday last year on May 26th and also Mrs. Rehberg for donating The Mutts Winter Diaries by Patrick McDonnell for her December 28th birthday. Remember you can celebrate your child's birthday at school 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 and it also helps volunteers in the library know what kind of books the students are interested in. It is also a wonderful way to add new books to the library!

2017-2018
Lisbon Grade School - 2nd Quarter

High Honor Roll

6th Grade

Clay Friestad	Hannah Sandoval
Logan Jacobsgaard	Emma Schultz
Gabrielle Maxwell	Blake Wallin
Danielle Monsess	Kiara Wesseh
Gavin Rush	Cory Withrow-Steil

Honor Roll

6th Grade

Molly Chapman
Brooklyn Hatteberg
Henry Mathre

7th Grade

Zach Carlson
Breannyn Dixon
Tayton Hardecopf
Cole Reibel

7th Grade

Alexis Reibel

8th Grade

Alexis Dixon	Owen Mathre
Kjersten Friestad	Grandon Mitchell
Jacquelin Harvey	Annika Myre
Lindsey Hatteberg	Taylor Rhodes
Reese Heap	Austin Tollefson
Jacqueline Jollay	Mackenzie Wilkins
Dominic Malosh	Megan Williams



BAND



Looking Ahead!

Spring Concert
Monday, May 14
7 pm

Band-Aide of the Month

Students must bring their
books, pencil, and instrument
every day!



*No A.M. Combine
in February!*

Reeds for Woodwinds
Oil for Brass

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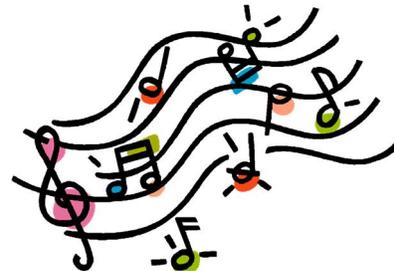
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Bass Clarinet- \$25
Alto Saxophone-\$35
Tenor Saxophone- \$25
Bari Saxophone- \$35

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Chase \$\$, She will order it for
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plan!

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condition! Instruments are picked up by
Q & F on Thursdays!