



March 2018



Lincoln School Newsletter

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PTO Meeting
March 6, 2018
5:00pm Query
Street Door



No School Good
Friday

March 30th 2018



Mrs. DeJesus'



Monthly Message

Dear Lincoln Families,

It's hard to believe March is already here! Lincoln teachers and staff continue to work hard to ensure our students are well prepared for the next grade level, as well as prepared for state and district assessments which will begin next month.

Students in grades 3-5 will take the English Language Arts and Math MCAS state test beginning late March. The MCAS assessment is aligned to the Massachusetts College and Career-Ready Standards, developed from the Common Core and fully implemented. MCAS will provide comparability across the state, and be able to assess and measure higher-order skills such as critical thinking, communications, and problem solving. The assessments will be computer based and include a mix of constructed response items, performance-based tasks, and writing.

This is an important test, not only for each individual student, but also for Lincoln School as a whole. Last year, we worked diligently to begin to close the achievement gap and make growth. We accomplished this by working together! This is our time to shine and let the world know that Lincoln Students have what it takes to reach for the stars!

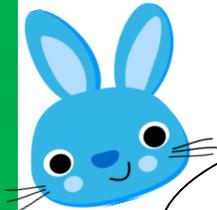
During testing, it is important that we have 100% attendance from our students. Testing will begin in the morning. Getting a good night's sleep and eating a healthy breakfast are two ways to prepare for this test.

I know our students will make us proud! Again, thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education! Together, we can make it happen!

Mrs. DeJesus

Thank you,
Mrs. DeJesus

TEAM Lincoln– Together Everyone Achieves More



Be on the Look out for Breakfast
with the Easter Bunny Info!!!!





Winter/School Reminders



*Recently students have been dismissed very close to the end of the school day (2:00-2:25). This becomes problematic for several reasons. The close of the school day is very hectic in the office as we are ensuring all students go to correct dismissal points. Also when a student is dismissed early, we must call the classroom to call the student out of class, this causes a disruption in learning for all students. Additionally many teachers are finishing up a day of learning and assigning homework, a child that is dismissed may not get what he or she needs for homework. Although problematic, if you do have to dismiss your child during this time, please write a note to the office and send it in on the day you are planning on dismissing your child. Please include the date and time you will dismiss your child. That way the teacher and office can prepare for the dismissal and it will not cause a disruption in the school day. Thank you for understanding.

*We do have extra coats, hats, and gloves at the school if your child is in need of these items, please ask the office for assistance.

*Please continue to check your child's backpack and folder daily for important notices & flyers from school, as well as your child's class work & homework.

This Month's Character Trait is Perseverance

WHAT CAN PARENTS DO TO EXPLAIN THIS TRAIT?

1. Explain the meaning of perseverance.
2. Share your experiences with them. Let them know that you aren't perfect. Explain a difficulty or struggle in your life and how perseverance helped you.
3. Help them by identifying a goal and adjust it along the way if needed.
4. Encourage them throughout the process. Give them compliments and high fives.
5. If they have struggles, let them know it is ok and is expected.
6. If they fail, let them know that it happens and it doesn't reflect their efforts. Assess the reasons for not reaching their goal together and encourage them to try again.