

Lincoln Elementary School October 2019 Newsletter

A letter from Mr. Skeels

On Saturday November 9, 2019, Lincoln Elementary will host the 9th Annual Fall into Fitness 5K and 1 mile run. The event is held in memory of John "Ralphie" McDaid, a Lincoln and AHS alum who passed away on November 2, 2011. Funds raised from this event support the McDaid scholarship and a variety of things at Lincoln (busing for field trips, PBIS rewards, enrichment activities, classroom t-shirts, etc).

Over the past few years, participation in this event has declined. As a result, I would like to personally invite you and your family to participate. This event is for everyone, whether you walk, jog or run. We'll have food refreshments after the races and all students who participate get a ribbon or medal.

Forms are attached to this newsletter. Online registration is available at <u>https://ultrasignup.com/register.aspx?</u> <u>did=69532</u>. If you have questions, please call 517-265-8544 or email me at sskeels@adrian.k12.mi.us.

Sincerely, Mr. Skeels

October is National Bullying Prevention Month

If you suspect or worry that your child is being bullied, here are some questions you can ask :

- 1. Are there any kids who leave you out or exclude you on purpose?
- 2. Who do you sit with at lunch? On the bus?
- 3. Who do you hang out with?
- 4. I've heard a lot about bullying in the news. Is that going on at your school?

(from STOMP Out Bullying, www.stompoutbullying.org)

What's Happening in

October?

Oct. 2—Count Day

Oct. 4—Homecoming Parade

Oct. 7-8—Smiles on Wheels

Oct. 11—Walk to School Day with Alexander

Oct. 13—PTO Family Fall Event

Oct. 17—Coffee & Conversation with Mr. Skeels and Mrs. Baker; 8:10-8:40 (library)

Oct. 18—Donuts with Dudes

Oct. 30—PTO meeting 6pm (library)

Oct. 31—1/2 Day (12:10 dismissal)



Read By Grade Three Law

This law requires school to identify and provide extra support to students who struggle in reading and writing. All students in Kindergarten through Third at will be assessed the arade of beginning the school vear. Individual Reading Improvement Plans will be made for students with an identified reading concern.

New in 2019-20, Read by Grade Three requires that schools and parents/ guardians of students testing one or more grade levels behind in reading on the spring M-STEP to be notified that repetition of third grade may occur.

Please see the attached flyer for more details. We will continue to share information about how this impacts students and families as the year goes on.



October Reading Tip: Kids can benefit from reading anything! Story books, newspapers, magazines, cookbooks, graphic novels, comic books...get creative!



Lunch Buddies Needed!

Lunch Buddies meet once a week during lunch and recess with a student who can benefit from a

mentoring relationship. If you have an hour a week available to make a difference in the life of a Lincoln student, please contact Amy Baker, Parent Community Coordinator, at 517-265-8544 x. 3203 or email abaker@adrian.k12.mi.us.



PBIS

PBIS stands for Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports. As a PBIS school, Lincoln explicitly teaches behavior expectations and recognizes students' positive behavior.

Lincoln students show:

Productivity Respect Integrity Determintation

Excellence

Students can earn PRIDE Tickets that enter them in a drawing for the Principal's PRIDE Lunch. School wide celebrations and special events with Lincoln staff members can be earned as well.