Greetings Lindale community,

The holiday season is upon us, and our students continue to grow academically. Special thanks to our dedicated teachers who make personal sacrifices to ensure that our students are receiving the best education. Please take the time to e-mail or send a personal letter to your child’s teacher, offer words of encouragement, and say thank you! We are Lindale, and we have the best teachers!!! We are excited to share with you our new initiatives at Lindale Middle School. Please spread the word!!!

We are happy to announce the launch of our new Facebook page entitled, “Positively Lindale”. Our new Facebook page will keep the Lindale community informed of the awesome and exciting academic and behavioral initiatives which occur daily at Lindale Middle School. Please visit our new Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/Positively-Lindale-139456839978838/.

Happy Holidays!!
Lindale Middle School is searching for volunteers who are willing to support teachers. We have a number of roles and/or activities which would greatly benefit our Lindale family. Parents may assist the Lindale community by:

- Helping school staff in the school store
- Helping teachers with field trip planning and logistics
- Organizing our quarterly honor roll celebrations
- Supporting office staff with answering phones and taking messages
- Making copies for teachers
- Assisting in the media center
- Mentoring students
- Participating on our volunteer orientation committee

Please click on the following link to volunteer at Lindale Middle School: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1ieT492o9RO9_s6K9acrIV3ExEkms1eGXwyrSJU_fEo/edit

If you have any additional questions regarding volunteer support at Lindale, please contact Mr. Renaldo, Asst. Principal at 410-691-4344 or e-mail at crenaldo@aacps.org.

On behalf of our staff, we hope you have an outstanding winter break with your children, family, and friends. We are looking forward to providing your child with the best education Anne Arundel County Public School has to offer. There’s no greater gift than to provide your child with the best education Anne Arundel County Public School has to offer. I’m so excited to serve the North County community and I’m looking forward to a prosperous “New Year” at Lindale!

*John Nash*

Mr. Nash
Principal
School Counselor Corner

SADD

The SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) chapter at Lindale is focusing on kindness and positivity during the month of December. The student members will be leaving positive messages around the school and encouraging others to be kind. We are also preparing for the months ahead and are getting ready for Random Acts of Kindness week and Tobacco Free Kids Week. Any student can participate in this chapter, they just need to sign up with Ms. Gunther!

Student of the Month

The Student of the Month celebration to honor students who were chosen as the Student of the Month for the month of November will be on December 7. During December, teachers will nominate a student from each team who has demonstrated positive behavior, performed well academically, and acted as a role-model to peers to be the Student of the Month for December. These students will be recognized on January 4.

Counseling Services/ Resources

If your student is need of assistance due to a loss (grief), recent parent separation/ divorce etc. contact your School Counselor to discuss resources and to see if any groups are available.

Resources

If you are in need of help with food or other items during the holidays and throughout the year, contact your School Counselor to see what resources are available. We work with local churches and food banks and are able to assist our students.

Scheduling for Upcoming School Year 2018-19

Students in grade 6-8 will be working on choosing classes for the 2018-19 school year. Your student will be coming home with information in January and February to be reviewed, signed and returned.
Congratulations to Lindale Middle School Students of the Month! Students are recognized for their excellence in attendance, achievement, and attitude. This program is supported by Senator Ed DeGrange and Delegates Mark Chang, Pamela Beidle, and Theodore Sophocleus, who issue a Citation of Recognition for this honor, as well as the Lindale Middle School PTA who collaborate on efforts to recognize and award these students each month. For the month of November the following students were recognized:

(In the picture, from left to right) front row: Kayvawn Simms-Rogers, Rebecca Culp, Kaydence Augustin, and Myles Beckles. Second Row: Isabella Steinebach, Morgan Downs, David Guerra, and Marianni De La Rosa-Duarte. Third Row: Jamie Cashour Jenifer Escobar-Quijada, Delegate Mark Chang, Principal Nash, Justin Smith, and Jonathan Craig.
During the month of December, following topics will be explored in Math courses:

- Math 6: Percent Applications (Relationship between fractions, decimals, and percent, representing percent greater than 100 and less than 1, and determining the percent of a number). Please reference Pearson Realize Chapter 3 during this unit.

- Math 6/7: Integer Exploration (ordering integers on a horizontal and vertical number line, absolute value, and integers on a coordinate plane) Please reference Pearson Realize Chapter 4 during this unit.

- Math 7: Percent Applications (Connect percent and proportion, Represent and Use the Percent Equation, Percent Change, and Percent Error). Please reference Pearson Realize Chapter 3 during this unit.

- Math 7/8: Inequalities and Real Numbers (Solving 2-step inequalities, solving multi-step inequalities, Representing rational numbers as decimals, and identifying irrational numbers). Please reference Pearson Realize Chapters 3 and 4 during this unit.

- Math 8: Relations and Functions (connecting representations of functions, determining linear vs. non-linear, and constructing functions to model linear relationships). Please reference Pearson Realize Chapter 3 during this unit.

Algebra 1: Systems of Linear Equations—using two or more linear functions to find a single solution. See below for instructional sequence:
- Graphing functions without context
- Solving using Substitution and Elimination (Linear Combination) without context
- Solving real-world scenarios involving systems
- Pull it all together to choose the best method for solving a particular scenario
- Systems of Linear Inequalities

Mrs. Courtney Gompf
Lindale Middle School
Mathematics Department Chair
6th Grade

**Towson Tiger Team** – Mrs. Turk, Mrs. Zogg, Mrs. Linker, Mr. McGrath, Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Iyesi, Mrs. Sparwasser and Mrs. Hanson.

The Towson Tigers Team continuously pushes our students to reach their full potential. For the 2nd Marking Period we have created a team incentive that **ALL** our students can achieve. We are asking the students to increase their overall percentage by 5% from the end of the first marking period to the end of the second marking period in each of their four core classes. Any class that a student received a 90% to a 100%, they will be asked to maintain the "A". All the students that achieve this incentive will be celebrated at the start of the 3rd marking period. Details will be provided at a later date.

**Math:**
CC6 and Math 6/7: The students have been working on dividing fractions using the algorithm and models. Here is a great video to help families understand the idea of modeling: [https://learnzillion.com/lesson_plans/7928-use-models-for-division-of-fractions-by-fractions](https://learnzillion.com/lesson_plans/7928-use-models-for-division-of-fractions-by-fractions)

Math 6/7 has already started learning about percent. CC6 will be starting a week or so. If you are out shopping with your student, point out the percent signs you see in the stores and what they represent. It is always beneficial for the kids to see math in the "real world".

**Social Studies:**
We will be learning about ancient Greece's government and Athens v. Sparta. Students will complete a practice DBQ on Athens v. Sparta.

**Science:**
We will be exploring the difference between viruses and bacteria and we will talk about how diseases spread and potentially cause harm to humans.

**Language Arts 6:** We will be focusing on theme and character traits, while exploring Greek Mythology. Some of the stories will include, "Apollo's Tree" and "Arachne"
**Holiday Bazaar**

The Holiday Bazaar will run throughout the day on December 21st and 22nd. Students will have the opportunity to purchase donated items and have them wrapped using the Lynx notes they earn in school.

Students will attend during their Social Studies classes. All 6th grade and one-half of 8th grade students will attend on the 21st. The remainder of the 8th grade students and all 7th grade students will attend on the 22nd.

Donations of new and gently used items are being accepted through December 10th. Toys, games, household items and most other items are accepted. Donations can be turned in to the office. Donations of new and gently used items are being accepted through December 10th. Toys, games, household items and most other items are accepted. Donations can be turned in to the office.

Volunteers are needed to sort the donations and to work the Bazaar, selling or wrapping. For more information, please contact Mrs. Zogg at kzogg@aacps.org.
Social Studies December Curriculum

During the month of December, 6th grade students will be studying Classical European History. This unit will focus on the civilizations of Ancient Greece and Rome. In particular, students will study the impact of geography, government, cultural achievements and the impact these cultures have had on the world today.

Seventh grade students will spend December completing the European Unit. Students will study Russian monarchs and the revolution, World War II, economic systems, the European Union and contemporary issues. Students will also begin a model United Nations simulation.

In eighth grade students will be working on researching and completing a National History Day projects. Students will work individually or in small groups to develop a museum exhibit, paper, documentary, dramatization, or website. The project will be based on a topic that fits the theme Conflict and Compromise. The majority, if not all, of this project will be completed in class.
Lindale Middle School 2017-2018 Yearbook

Another school year is beginning and with it comes once in a lifetime experiences, friendships, and memories. Hold on to those memories with our school’s yearbook.

Purchase your 2017-2018 Yearbook for just $30! Until January 31st

Student Name_________________________________________ Grade________

Lynx Pride Teacher_________________________________________

___ Yearbook $30.00

__________________________ Total $_____

Checks made payable to: Lindale Middle School

Return this order to the main office!
Lost and Found

Has your son or daughter lost anything recently? There are many articles in our Lost and Found. Currently we have MANY hooded jackets, canvas lunch bags, caps, spiral notebooks, and house keys. If your child is missing something, have him/her look in our Lost and Found. It is now located in the front of the cafeteria and in the main office.

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