



## Lincoln Avenue PTA January's Meeting Agenda

- Welcome/Call to Order/Pledge
- Recognitions
  - Reflections Winners
    - Dance Intermediate: Hayden Britz
    - Dance Primary: Reagan Britz
    - Literature Intermediate: Avery Morritt/ Keira Aarne
    - Music Intermediate: Finely Wade/ Olivia Donals
    - Music Primary: Cody Rickert
    - Photo intermediate: Alexa Charles
    - Photo primary: Penelope- Rae Rasmussan
    - Visual arts intermediate: Joseph Parisi/ Lila Jones
    - Visual arts primary: Christopher Merlo/ Blake Pintar
  - November Spotlight
    - Teacher received a certificate and/ letter in a from with quotes from whatever family said about them that nominated them as a keepsake
    - Mrs. LoCurto
  - December Spotlight
    - Mrs. Bailey
- December Events Recap
  - Gingerbread Decorating
    - Everyone seemed to have a great time; snowflakes hanging in the hallway to enter, a hot cocoa bar, we sold 80 gingerbread house kits altogether; the profit was \$99.46
  - Holiday Boutique
    - The students had a great time shopping at our holiday boutique this year. A big thank you to all the parent volunteers and to the fourth graders that were able to come down and help our pre-K and kindergartners shop. They were so helpful for the younger kids. Our profit this year was \$2000.
  - Raise Craze prizes update
    - We just wanted to thank everyone again for participating in the fundraiser. First year and outcome was amazing. We loved seeing everyone's different acts of kindness. We'll continue the celebration this month with the 12 students that won lunch with the principal and about 20 students who will be entered into drawings for different morning announcements.

- Treasurer's Report
  - We are in good standing with \$31,738.17 in checking and \$3,656.81 in savings
- Membership Update
  - Over 350
- Ways to Stay Connected:
  - Newsletter
    - On PTA website, Facebook
    - Sent monthly via email **just after the meeting**
  - Website: <https://www.lincolnavepta.org>
  - Remind App
  - Facebook & Instagram **all pictures are on Instagram**
  - Email: [lincolnvenuepta@gmail.com](mailto:lincolnvenuepta@gmail.com)
- Year-round Fundraising:
  - Box Tops App **download app; scan receipts**
- Upcoming Events
  - Virtual Bingo 1/11 **fliers going home this week**
  - Spaghetti Dinner 1/24
    - **January 24<sup>th</sup>, Time 6-7:30pm; \$25 per family; drinks, dessert, salad, spaghetti and sauce/ or without, gluten free option while on cheddar up; door prizes and drawings; Do we want teachers? Yes; Gaby is going to reach out this week**
  - Class Liaison Meeting 6pm ~~2/3~~ **Wednesday 2/7; important that all attend**
  - Next PTA Meeting ~~2/3~~ **Wednesday 2/7**
- Volunteers Needed
  - Winter Dance Committee:
    - **dance this year is February 9 for pre-K through second grade. We're looking for volunteers for the dance committee. The committee will meet for a zoom next week Thursday the 11th and talk about theme, decorations and set up. Scan the QR code in the back of the room for the link to sign up and will send you the zoom invite.**
  - PARP Committee
    - **PARP stands for Pick a Reading partner. This year will be during the month of March. Volunteers are greatly appreciated to help with executing this year's theme, decorating bulletin boards/ stage for the kickoff, collecting pledges and reading logs, gathering prizes for the 30 top readers, helping with 2 family connect nights one at the library and the**

other at the firehouse. Scan the QR code in the back of the room to sign up and I will send you the zoom link for our committee meeting on Wednesday, 1/17 at 8pm.

- 5th Grade Committee
  - Meeting following directly after tonight
    - T-shirts will be purple and gold
    - Looking into end of year party and yearbook event
    - January treat is a paw print pad and personalized pencil
    - Graduation is 6/24
    - Parent yearbook uploads should be in by end of March/ Link will be sent out soon.
  
- Teacher Liaison Report no reports
  
- Coffee with the Principal
  - Mr. Bullis one year anniversary on January 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Pre-k team invited parents for a winter show with singing
  - Gingerbread houses were created
  - Mrs. Cirello did a great job with all concerts
  - Coach is amazing with her Ninja Warrior course; phenomenal with self-esteem walk
  - All teachers did a wonderful job with holiday celebrations
  - Congratulations to all Reflections participants
  - Round of applause to the Teacher Spotlight teachers/ LoCurto & Bailey
  - Facility updates
    - The tv is in the entranceway; with updates and pictures
  - Creation Station
    - Becoming bigger; no more half walls
    - Mr. Bullis: 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students; rolling out the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade end of January
    - Games, activities; Legos, magnetic tiles; designing clothing;
    - 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade took a survey and it showed that the children wanted at least one day a week
    - Signing up is for the teacher to decide; 5-6 passes per class; as per Mrs. Bort 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers do it by ABC order; once all signed up the teachers have a waiting list to pick from for other spots
  - STEAM Lab
    - Our building will be receiving it next school year; provided students to do hands on experiments
      - Visited Bayshore to see their curriculum and what they look like
      - Ours will have an indoor and outdoor space; more TBA

- Cut ribbon ceremony in September; multipurpose room bc it has a door to get outside; the outdoor space will be fenced in; the space will be designed by the students and STEAM teacher
- Building goals
  - Over several professional development they discussed; final goals will be released next week through the Leaflet; Parents, Pupils and Professionals; a graphic will be shared after
    - The question that was asked was; Does this represent Lincoln?
    - As times goes on they will expand on the goals
- Erins Law
  - 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade (6th and 7th this year too)
  - How students can tell someone if “someone does something that is inappropriate
  - Principals are watching the training on Friday to determine appropriateness; on Tuesday January 9<sup>th</sup> parents can watch on Zoom; then the classes will see it with a provider
    - If the date for parents does not work reach out
    - Schedule will be shared for when 4th and 5th grade classes will be viewing
- Safety
  - Lunch/Recess
    - Students were getting hurt when outside; principals spoke with aides and then reached out to district office; there will be additional training for aides
    - Zone defense approach; helping the aides have places on the playground for a faster reaction time; more will be shared in the Leaflet
- Upcoming Events
  - Kindness Week with Student Council for 1<sup>st</sup> week in February; leading up to PS I love You; transitioning Kindness Week into a STRIDES; wear purple on Friday
    - Met with SEL Committee; STRIDES week will be following
      - Such as affirmations; multicultural map (who are we as a community); asking parents for traditions to share
        - Possible superhero theme
- Parents Questions
  - Will there be a Black History Month? Yes; for example poetry and artist being read over loud speaker
  - What is the nature of the aides training? Focused on how to supervise unstructured play; we want our kids to be safe but need an environment that is fun for students to be happy
  - Extended Learning?? Starts next week; resending dates

- Other Reports:
  - SEPTA no representative
  - SMBA no representative
  - Shared Decision Making Mr. Armano covered everything
  - Board of Education no representative
  
- New Business - we welcome your ideas!
  
- Meeting Adjourned