



The Pride Post

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LINTON Elementary School Newsletter

April 2021

Upcoming Events

- NO SCHOOL
April 16th
and
April 19th

Thoughts from your Principal

It is only the farmer who faithfully plants seeds in the Spring, who reaps a harvest in the Autumn.

~B. C. Forbes

HAPPY SPRING!

It is really hard to imagine that it is almost April and there are around 40 days of school left. What a unique year this has been! This time of year is busy with lots of planning for the next school year. We are currently planning staffing, looking at schedules, and will start the class placement process. We are also working on all "end of year" activities to determine what we can do safely.

You have probably heard that PSD is down almost 1,000 students. MOST of those are at the elementary level. This is having an impact on so many of our schools, including Linton. Our neighborhood enrollment has dropped. This impacts how much money we have to hire staff. We will likely be two sections of K, 1st, and 2nd, and 3 sections 3rd-5th grade. Our two section classes still have a class size of 20-22.

As we look ahead to typical May activities, there will have to be a lot of adjustments in order to still provide the experiences for our students. I know you really want the activities to continue, even if it means they will look different! The biggest difference will be the activities **will be only for the teacher and students**. We must still maintain our cohorts and keep all safety measures in place. This will include any end-of-year picnics, parties, modified field day, and celebrations. We ARE working out a plan to honor our 5th graders in a way that parents can be included in some way.

It will be important to read communications from school over the next few months! We will be sharing spring plans and next year information.

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Fondly,

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Linton PTO wants to thank Tamara Keefe for her years of dedication as the chair of our Read-A-Thon. Tamara has spent many hours carting books to and from school, soliciting donations, finding guest readers, writing plays and much, much more. While this year was a bummer in terms of no in person readers from the community, Tamara rose to the challenge and helped make her last Read-A-Thon a very successful one!! Thank you, Tamara, from the bottom of our hearts, you will be missed!!



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- If you know you will be moving over the summer and your child will not be returning to Linton Elementary for the 2021-2022 school year, please call Mrs. Anduss in the front office at 970/488-5850. It is helpful for us to have this information as we start building class lists to know if a student is returning or not.
- The last day of school will be Wednesday, May 26th. This is a half day of school. Please make sure your child knows how they will be getting home that day. (Breakfast will be served, but lunch will NOT be served.)
- Linton students in grades 3,4 & 5 will begin taking the state CMAS testing April 20th – 22nd. You can help your student be successful by making sure they get a good nights sleep, be sure they have a good breakfast to start the day, and reassure them that you know they will do their very best – ask how they felt the CMAS testing went at the end of the day.

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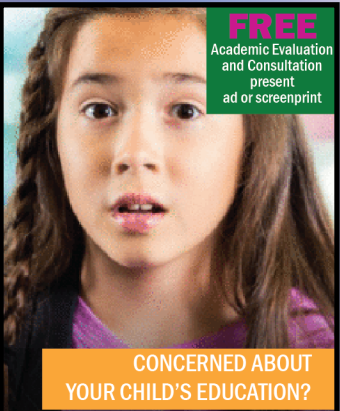


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TESTING



CMAS: The Colorado Measures of Academic Success test typically assesses the areas of math, reading (English Language Arts) in grades 3 – 5 and science for grade 5. The state submitted a waiver request that was just approved to condense the assessment for this year, limiting the areas each child would be assessed in. We will administer fewer tests over a shorter amount of time – please see the details per grade below. We thank you for trying to avoid appointments or absences on these dates.

April 20th – April 22nd

3rd grade: English Language Arts/reading test – 3 sessions over 3 days

4th grade: Mathematics test – 3 sessions over 3 days

5th grade: English Language Arts/reading test – 3 sessions over 3 days

Families of students in grades 3 – 5:

LOOK for an EMAIL with detailed information!

Please reach out to Mrs. Harbison with any assessment questions: kharbison@psdschools.org



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