



Lincoln Log

Lincoln Elementary School (408) 252-4798
21710 McClellan Road, Cupertino, CA 95014
<http://www.LincolnElementary.net>

Cupertino Union School District
Board of Education
Anjali Kausar
Ben Liao
Josephine Lucey
Gary McCue
Phyllis Vogel

Superintendent
Phil Quon

Lynn Shimada, Principal

February 4, 2010

Parent and Child Activity

It's National Cherry Month and Great American Pie Month. Celebrate by baking a cherry pie with your child!

Look in the newspaper for free events your family can attend this month.

Source: Parent Institute

Calendar

Feb.	4	6:30pm	Kennedy 6 th Grade Parent Info Night
	1-11		Kinder Registration
	5-11		Open Enrollment
	10	7:00pm	PTA Meeting, GLC
	11		1 st Session Success, Inc. Ends
	15-19		Mid-Year Recess No School

PeaceBuilders: Teach Your Child to Accept, Embrace People's Differences

The following is an excerpt from the booklet, "101 Ways to Combat Prejudice." This booklet provides a list of definitions, helpful resources, and suggested reading to help parents and teachers counter prejudice and spread a message of respect in our community.

- **Know your roots** and share your pride in your heritage with others.
- **Celebrate holidays** with extended family. Use these opportunities to encourage story telling and share personal experiences across generations.
- **Invite friends** from backgrounds different from your own to experience the joy of your traditions and customs.
- **Be mindful of your language;** avoid stereotypical remarks and challenge those made by others.
- **Speak out against jokes and slurs** that target people or groups. Silence sends a message that you are in agreement. It is not enough to refuse to laugh.
- **Be knowledgeable;** provide as much accurate information as possible to reject harmful myths and stereotypes. Discuss as a family the impact of prejudicial attitudes and behavior.
- **Plan family outings to diverse neighborhoods** in and around your community and visit local museums, galleries, and exhibits that celebrate art forms of different cultures.
- **Visit important landmarks in your area** associated with the struggle for human civil rights such as museums, public libraries, and historical sites.
- **Research your family tree** and trace your family's involvement in the struggle for civil and human rights or immigration experience. Identify personal heroes and positive role models.
- **Read, and encourage your children to read** books that promote understanding of different cultures as well as those that are written by authors of diverse backgrounds.

Parking on February 12

In preparation for our classroom parties on Friday, February 12, parking permits will be available Thursday in the school office. Please feel free to utilize these permits for parking on the surrounding streets. Happy Valentine's Day!

Second Session of Success, Inc.

Our first session of Success Inc. will end on Thursday, February 11. Our second session of Success Inc. begins on Monday, March 1, 2010. Permission slips will go home to students who qualify. Only those students who meet certain qualifications may attend the support program. Please contact the office with any questions.

Kindergarten Registration 2010-2011

Kindergarten Registration packets must be returned with all original documents by February 11th to ensure your priority registration number. Hours for accepting packets are 9:15am – 3:30pm.

Student Council News

Haiti Fundraiser

The Student Council will be raising money for the families in Haiti through February. Please help your child think of ways to earn the money they donate. They can do chores around the house or make crafts to sell to you. The money collected will be sent to a non-profit organization called Kids in Distressed Situations, K.I.D.S., who have been helping families in Haiti even before the earthquake. For every \$10, K.I.D.S will deliver at least \$100 of donated products to Haiti. Collection buckets will be in each classroom. Thank you in advance for supporting this worthy cause.

From the Cafeteria

Student Nutrition Services is proud to introduce their new web page located at the following URL:

<http://www.schoolnutritionandfitness.com/index.php?sid=1805092039571289>

Please visit the web page if you have questions about the student lunch program or your child's account. It is a work in progress dedicated to nutrition, fitness and health.



Word of the Month: Responsibility

Having responsibility means that you are dependable or reliable. PeaceBuilders take responsibility by doing what you are supposed to do and by making the right choices. Showing responsibility means:

- Turning your work in on time.
- Choosing to do the right thing out on the playground.
- Responsible PeaceBuilders notice and speak up about hurts.
- Being responsible means standing up for one another and always speaking the truth.

PTA

PTA Meeting

Wednesday, February 10th at 7:00pm in the GLC.

PTA Reflections Program 2009-10

The Reflections committee is thrilled to announce Lincoln Elementary had the following five winners of this year's Reflections program at the Sixth District level:

Literature – Intermediate: Varshini Srikanthan

Musical Composition – Primary: Tej Nair

Musical Composition – Intermediate: Dylan Evans and Snigdha Lokanadham

Visual Arts – Intermediate: Alisha Gao

A special mention for Tej Nair, who got an "Award of Excellence" - his entry will go on to the State level!

These students will be honored at the Sixth District Reflections reception at the County Office of Education on Friday May 7th. Invitations will be sent out later.

We are proud of ALL the students at Lincoln who participated in Reflections for attempting to express themselves and for showing the enthusiasm to participate. Their entries will be returned to them soon, along with a certificate.

Yearbook Cover Contest & Pre-Orders

There are still two weeks left to turn in your Cover Contest entry. Remember to put your artwork in a plastic sheet protector and to include your name with information on the back. All entries are due February 10th. Good luck, be creative, and have fun!

Don't be left without a yearbook! Yearbook pre-orders are only \$20 until March 19th. Additional order envelopes are on the counter in the office.

Yearbook Wants Your Photos

We are looking for event and project pictures from all grades to be used in the yearbook, such as pictures from the Chicken Dance, Band Performance, Character Cans, Reflections Competition, 5th Grade Science Camp (a slug on the nose?), etc. Please drop off full-resolution, digital pictures on CD or USB (will be returned to you) at the front office, attention 'Yearbook' or contact Susan Satya in the Tech Lab. If you only have a few, you may email the full resolution pictures to Leopard.Yearbook@gmail.com Thanks!!

DISTRICT NEWS

CUSD BOARD OF EDUCATION – BUDGET DISCUSSION

The Cupertino Union School District Board of Education has placed an informational budget discussion item on the agenda of the regularly scheduled board meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2010. This meeting will be held in the Collins Elementary School Guided Learning Center and will begin at 6:00 p.m. Collins is located at 10300 N. Blaney Avenue in Cupertino. Any concerned individual may appear before the Board of Education to comment or ask questions regarding the District's current budget situation. This item is for information only and the Board of Education will not be taking any formal action regarding this topic.

Detailed budget information is available on the budget reduction information page on the District's website. The link to the site can be found under the "Latest District News" heading at www.cupertino.k12.ca.us.

2010 STAR TESTING DATES

STAR Multiple Choice Testing for grades 2-8 will begin the week of April 26, 2010 and continues for two weeks. The STAR Program is a state accountability measure that helps us assess how we are meeting the needs of our students. You can help prepare your child for the test by ensuring your child goes to bed on time, eats a good breakfast, and leaves for school with a positive attitude. Please do not schedule any family trips or doctor appointments during this time.

2009-2010 District Calendar

February 15-19, 2010	Mid-Year Recess
March 15, 2010	Staff Learning Day
April 12-16, 2010	Spring Recess
May 28, 2010	Staff Learning Day
May 31, 2010	Memorial Day
June 10, 2010	Last Day of School