



# NEWSLETTER

December 2017

## Dates to Remember

- Dec. 7 **4<sup>th</sup> Gr to Marblemount Fish Hatchery**
- Dec. 13 **Dress Rehearsal - WINTER PROGRAM**  
Grade 1-5, Band & Choir  
1:00 in the gym
- Dec. 13 **Parent Group Meeting**  
Lincoln Lynx Supporters  
6:30 in the Library
- Dec. 14 **WINTER PROGRAM**  
Grade 1-5, Band & Choir  
6:00 in the gym
- Dec. 20 **NO SCHOOL** (K-12)
- Jan. 1 Winter Break
- Jan. 2 **Back to School**
- Jan. 10 **Parent Group Meeting**  
Lincoln Lynx Supporters  
6:30 in the Library
- Jan. 15 **NO SCHOOL** (K-12)  
ML King Jr. Day
- Jan. 26 **NO SCHOOL** (K-12)  
Semester Break Day
- Feb. 2 **REPORT CARDS**  
Mailed Home

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Lincoln Elementary is fully dedicated to the **District Goal of 100% graduation**. At our school, this plays out as a **100% reading goal: 100% at grade level by the end of third grade**. To support this work, we are putting into place a number of second grade intervention initiatives for the second half of the school year. In January you will see intensified programs during the day and before school to support these readers. We remind our parents that this effort is a partnership. **Please continue to make reading everyday a priority in your homes**, not just at second grade, but throughout all the grades.

If you own a business and you would like to proudly display a **100% window decal**, or would like a **bumper sticker for your car**, please stop in and pick one up.



## WWU/BELLINGHAM TECH FIELD TRIP

In support of MVSD's 100% Graduation initiative, Lincoln 5th graders visited **Bellingham Technical College** and **Western Washington University** on November 21<sup>st</sup>. Students toured campuses, ate lunch with college students in the Viking Union, and participated in classes presented by University faculty. The day taught our students that our future opportunities begin today.



## NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UPDATE

The new elementary school that is being built up on East Division is currently on time and on budget. When it is completed this summer, Madison students and staff will transfer to the new school for the 2018-19 school year, while the old Madison School is being rebuilt. The following 2019-20 school year, Madison students and staff will return to their new building and Lincoln School will close as a school.

The opening of the new elementary school in 2019-2020 will mean that the attendance boundaries for elementary schools will need to be redrawn, which will affect many students and families. The **Boundary Adjustment Committee** is working hard to figure out the new boundaries and has sent home surveys for parent input. Online surveys are also available on the District website ([mountvernonschools.org](http://mountvernonschools.org)). There is also a link to the **webcam** where you can follow the day to day progress of the new school building site.



## SKYWARD FAMILY ACCESS

If you need your **Family Access Login ID** and **Password**, stop by our office or call 360-428-6135.



## DRESS WARM FOR RECESS

We know that it is very important that students get a chance to play outside as a break from the rigors of the classroom. We ask that you send your student to school ready to brave the elements. A warm rain coat and waterproof shoes are a must this time of year. Please send your students appropriately dressed.

## Nondiscrimination Procedure

The Mount Vernon School District does not discriminate in employment, programs, or activities on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, honorably discharged veteran or military status, or the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability or use of a trained guide dog or service animal by a person with a disability and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. We will take steps to assure that national origin persons who lack English language skills can participate in all education programs, services and activities, including those specific to career and technical education programming. Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the District's Title IX/Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator, Assistant Superintendent William Nutting, [bnutting@mvsd320.org](mailto:bnutting@mvsd320.org) or the Section 504/Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator, Clint Carlton, Director of Special and Support Services, [ccarlton@mvsd320.org](mailto:ccarlton@mvsd320.org), 124 E. Lawrence St., Mount Vernon, WA, (360) 428-6110.

## UPDATED DISTRICT INFORMATION:

This information can be found on our website: [lincoln.mountvernonschools.org](http://lincoln.mountvernonschools.org)

**Annual School Report Card**

**Written Parent Involvement Policy**

**OSPI Written Complaint Procedure for Title 1**

Hard copies of this information are also available upon request.