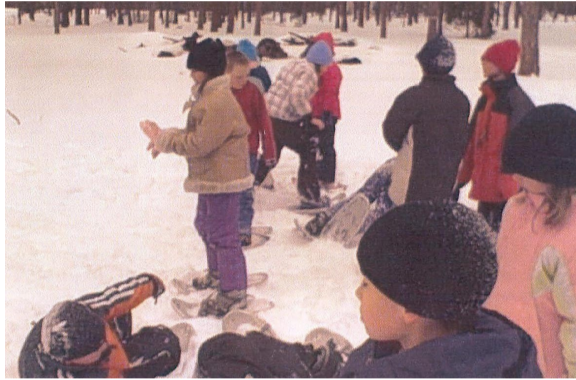




Paw Prints

Elementary Snowshoeing Day

On February 10th, Samsara Chapman and Debbie Anderson from the USFS and Montana Discovery Foundation came to Lincoln for a day of snowshoeing with the elementary kids at Nature's Playground. All of the students in grades kindergarten through sixth grade were able to strap on snowshoes for an outdoor learning experience. This program is part of the Adopt-A-Species program, where each year the schools learn about an animal species in depth. Lincoln was assigned the prairie dog this year.



Students prepare to go snowshoeing at Nature's Playground.

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Dates to Remember:

- ☺ March 5 ~PTSA Meeting
7:00 in the Library
- ☺ March 9 ~Early out for
students @ 2:30. School
Board Meeting 7:00 in the
library
- ☺ March 10 ~Teen Day
- ☺ March 12 ~Elementary Ski
Day at Discovery
- ☺ March 13 ~7-12 Honor Roll
Ski Day at Great Divide
- ☺ March 16 ~High School
Track Starts
- ☺ March 17-19 ~Quarter Tests
- ☺ March 20 ~ End of 3rd
Quarter
- ☺ March 21 ~ Fireman's Ball,
Sitch Basketball Tournament

Cub Scouts Host Blue/Gold Banquet

On Saturday, February 28, Lincoln's Cub Scout Pack hosted their annual Blue and Gold Banquet. Each year, the Cub Scouts put on this spaghetti feed and cake auction to raise money for Scout activities such as camp outs and jamborees. Each Cub Scout decorates his own cake to bring and then the cakes are auctioned off to highest bidder. This banquet is lots of fun for both the scouts and everyone who attends. Lincoln's Cub Scout Pack meets every Tuesday after school until 5:00 at the Methodist Church. One of the leaders is always meets the boys at the school and walks them across the street to their meeting, where the leaders have planned many activities for them. If you have or know of anyone that has a boy in 1st through 5th grade that is interested in becoming a Cub Scout, the local leaders can be reached at the numbers listed.

Sherry Legget: 362-4599, Jennifer Dailey: 362-4970, or
Jackie Grantier: 362-4763



Just for Fun

Q: What did the teddy bear say when he was offered dessert?

A: No, thanks. I'm stuffed!



Lincoln Students can really S-P-E-L-L



On February 17th, Lincoln School held the yearly 5th-8th grade Spelling Bee. This year's winners were: 1st Place- Ashleigh McCosco, who correctly spelled "adobe", 2nd Place- Josh Erickson, who correctly spelled "nirvana" and 3rd Place- Toni Hagen, who correctly spelled "bureaucracy". The top three winners are invited to attend the County Spelling Bee on Saturday, March 7th, at Capital High School in Helena.

Johnniann Thompson, who correctly spelled "macadamia", will be an alternate in case one of the top three spellers cannot attend the spelling bee in Helena.

High School Track Starting Soon

All high school students can brush off their running shoes and get ready for track season. Track practice is scheduled to begin after school on March 16th. There will be a parent meeting on March 11th for the parents of any students that are interested in going out

for track. Coaches for this year are Mr. George Pierce and Mr. Cody Reutzel. We will have a schedule of track meets out soon.



2nd Grade Has a Whale of a Tale to Tell



Ms. Jacobsen's second grade class has been hard at work learning about some very large animals. These animals are whales. The second grade students first read books about different kinds of whales and then made a web of facts that they learned from these books. They used these facts to write a report about whales which has been posted on the bulletin board. Along with their reports, the second grade class each made their favorite whale to display in the hallway. As you can see from the photos, they all did a great job.



The second grade has also become very interested in dinosaurs, so they read books about them and wrote reports using the important facts they learned from the books. With the help of Ms. Jacobsen's high school T.A.'s, the reports were typed, printed, and put onto the back of illustrations of dinosaurs created on cards.

Principal's Corner



Spring is in the air-today. Students at Lincoln Public Schools are busy taking their CRT tests. Math is one of the three core subject areas that is being tested. We have had a great year delving into Math. The elementary has really gotten into math with our new math series, EveryDay Math. This math series encourages students to build their number sense and use their knowledge to critically think through problems. In the JrHi and High School, Mr. Keith and Ms. Grigsby have been working very hard, putting in many extra hours tutoring students in Mathematics. Our students are doing well. They are also working from a series of textbooks new to Lincoln School: Math Connections. We are very proud of all our students and their diligence in learning math this year. At the February School Board Meeting, the Board passed the Four-Day school week. We are gearing up to get the new scheduling off the ground this coming fall. The teachers, administration, and School Board are all looking forward to the positive things that will be available to our students through the four-day week. Enjoy March's Paw Print and let us know what you think of the new format for our school newsletter.

Mrs. Laurie Maughan

"We're with the Band"

If any of you attended the district basketball tournament in Missoula, you had the privilege of hearing our 6th through 12th grade band play. These students practice every day with Ms. Holly Dybsetter in preparation for Music Festival, which will be held on April 2nd in Great Falls. The High School Chorus will be doing their duet on April 3rd in Great Falls. The students meet each day to practice the songs they will be playing. The student's favorite songs are always pep band songs, which are much more upbeat, but they are always willing to learn new ones each year for Festival. Ms. Dybsetter and the band members are also preparing for the Spring Concert, which will be held on May 12th. With such a large group of students, there are not always enough instruments to go around. Some students have their own, some borrow them from the school, while others share. So, if you have any musical instruments in the attic, garage, shed, or just stored in the closet, consider donating them to the Lincoln School Band.



World Affairs Council Academic Worldquest Challenge



On February 25th, Lincoln School took a team of Junior High and High school students to the World Affairs Council Academic Worldquest Challenge. The team, consisting of Andrew Malek, Lacey Ranf, Tessa Gehring, and Ali Ranf, competed against 30 teams from other high schools in Montana. They did very well for their first competition. Questions came from 10 categories of international affairs, ranging from international crime, current events, and natural resource issues facing the planet.

Geography Bee

The annual National Geographic Geography Bee was recently held at Lincoln School. 5th through 8th grade students were invited to participate, answering questions about U.S. physical geography and geography of the world. The winners this year were:

- 1st Place—Shelby Maughan
- 2nd Place—Jerum AuClaire
- 3rd Place—Devin Jones

