

# OCTOBER LYNCH ELEMENTIRY 2023

## PRINCIPAL MACON'S' WINUTES



Greetings to each of our families. We are noticing some excellent momentum as our scholars are coming to school on time each day and are excited to continue their learning from the day before. As a school, we are taking a closer look at how we support and grow our children as readers. Each day they learn something new and we are challenging them to take ownership of that learning by applying the skill or strategy while reading their independent books. You can encourage this work as well by asking what they learned about in class and how it can help them read with accuracy and understanding.

In addition, we want our children to find joy in reading and identify books that tap into some of their passions. Sometimes a spark can be ignited by reading a new genre of books together or by asking friends for book recommendations. This helps fuel creativity and innovations as children begin to ask questions and read purposefully to answer those questions.

There is NO supervision until 8:15 a.m. Please reach out any time you have concerns, suggestions, or comments. Your feedback is helping us to make our school better on a daily basis.

On October 5th, we look forward to welcoming Travis Manion Foundation to speak to our children and families on developing character in future generations. Please check our website for more details and time.

Thank you for a spectacular beginning of the year. Please reach out any time you have ideas, concerns, suggestions or questions. Your input is helping us to make our school better on a daily basis. Thank you

Parents and students can check their student "Test History" in the FOCUS Parent Portal to view results for Progress Monitoring Cycle 1 (PM1). The "Florida Statewide Assessments" logo is where the parent/student will hover and click to access the Cambium Family Portal. This is only for our third, fourth, and fifth grade scholars. The "Florida Statewide Assessments" logo is a direct link to the Cambium Family Portal and PM1 results are available within 24 hours of the student testing. Progress Monitoring Cycle 2 will begin December 4th.

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#### MS-CARLSON'S CHRONICLE





# TECHNOLOGY TIDBITS FROM KATHERINE GOODLOE LIBRARY WEDIA / TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST

Hello Lynch families! By now, if you have a student in grades 3-5 (and you opted in via Focus to checkout technology), your student has most likely

brought their computer home. Please be sure that the devices come to and from school each day in the assigned black computer backpack. Nothing else should be stored in the computer backpack, and the computers should never be in the student's personal backpack. Please be sure that the laptop is returned to school each day fully charged and ready to use in class. Also, please remember that your student may only use the computer for educational purposes, which means only programs found in Clever.

As always, please remember that if you move or leave Lynch Elementary, the device, backpack, and charger must be returned to Lynch before you go.



#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 6th - Wear PINK
October 11th Title I Math/Science night 5:30 p.m - 7:30 p.m
October 12th - Picture retakes
October 13th - Family lunch day
October 16th - Teacher Planning Day- No school
October 20th - Pink day
October 23rd-31st Red Ribbon Week
October 31st - Unity Day - wear orange
November 3rd - National Jersey Day

November 3rd - Fall Festival/PTA General Meeting 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

November 10th Family Lunch Day

November 14th - Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast November 14th SAC/PTA Meeting 6:00 p.m. November 15th - Great American Teach-in



Congratulations to our Lynch artists whose 2-D and 3-D artwork is currently displayed in the 2023-2024 Pinellas All-County K-12 Art Exhibition at the PCS Administration Building in Largo. These artists were honored during an open-house reception this week. This year, 1,515 K-12 student artworks are proudly displayed throughout the three floors of the PCS Administration Building until early April 2024. This one-of-a-kind exhibit represents all schools offering visual arts courses and changes annually with new student-created art.



Sumeja B. - Fish Kite Sculpture
Ariana B. - Sunset Bird Mixed Media
Alex C. - Crabby Night Sculpture
Caitlyn H. - Cactus Sculpture
Jacob H. - Rhythm Landscape Drawing
Easton K. - Bluebird Mixed Media
Alecia L. - Color Waves Drawing
Alesia S. - Sandcastle Painting
Ayvan T. - Lion Sculpture
Annabelle V. - Fish Pond Mixed Media



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- Starting in kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
  - Missing 10 percent (or about 18 days) can make it harder to learn to read.
  - Students can still fall behind if they miss just a day or two days every few weeks.
    - Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.

• Absences can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up. Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Good attendance will help children do well in high school, college, and at work.

Jennifer Mesen, MSW Registered Clinical Social Work Intern School Social Worker



Kahlilah Dawkins, M.S., Ed.S. School Psychologist

#### ENHANCE YOUR SELF ESTEEM

School Psychologist Says...
ENHANCE YOUR SELF ESTEEM!

Encourage creativity to influence your child's psychology in a positive way.

- · As a responsible parent, you can try to enhance your kid's creativity through motivation.
- Hang up his or her artwork on the wall, frame them for your living room display or post them on your blog to encourage them further.
  - This would help your child to build his or her selfesteem and concentrate more on his creative activities. Create A Peaceful Sleeping Time:

Try not letting your child indulge in video games or watch TV before bedtime as it will prevent him from falling asleep faster.

- Offer a peaceful environment before going to bed such as turning on night lamps or soft music.
  - · You can also read out a story as a bedtime routine.
- If your child gets enough amount of sleep, it is best for developing a positive attitude.

#### MATH AND SCIENCE FAMILY NIGHT

Please join us for a fun, filled family event here at Lynch Elementary. Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:00 p.m. in the cafe. Afterwards, there will be hands-on math games and science investigations to explore around campus.

Be sure to send in your RSVP so we know how many people to expect for dinner, and can be sure to have adequate materials for games and investigations.





We're thrilled to announce that we have been recognized as one of America's Healthiest Schools by @HealthierGen for meeting best practices that support the health and well-being of students, staff, and families. Learn more and view the full list of schools at healthiestschools.org



October 13th, our very own Mrs. Russell,
Lynch's VE Resource teacher and
Wellness Champion, will be heading to
Washington, DC, to represent Lynch
Elementary and accept our award. We
are so proud to be recognized as one of
America's healthiest schools!



Please complete this food and nutrition survey. The data helps our food and nutrition department in their planning. The survey is available until October 9th. It can also be found on our school website.

### https://survey.k12insight.com/r/CcLqiy











#### LYNCH'S VISION AND MISSION."

- VISION: 100% STUDENT SUCCESS!
- THE MISSION OF THE LYNCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY IS TO PREPARE EVERY STUDENT FOR COLLEGE, CAREER AND CITIZENSHIP BY PROVIDING QUALITY EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES AND INTEGRATING LITERACY THROUGH ALL DISCIPLINES.



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Mission

Educate and Prepare Each Student for College, Career and Life







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