



# UnBEElievable 5<sup>th</sup> Grade News!



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## Announcements

### January Book Reports

The due date for the January Mystery Book Reports is Friday, February 1, 2008. The students will present their mystery boxes during the afternoon on the 1<sup>st</sup>. Keep up the great work!

### Birthday Treats

**The January birthday treats should be brought in on February 1st.**

### FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

If your student is sent home during the day with a fever, they must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school. **If your student is ill they need to be called in each morning they are out of school.**

### Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences:

The conference dates have been changed to January 30 and 31. Fifth grade will be having open conferences on those dates. An open conference is very similar to what your student will receive in Middle School next year. Parents are able to show up at any time and visit with each teacher. Conferences will begin at 4:00 and end at 7:00 each day in Mrs. Heil's classroom. Please mark these dates on your calendar so we can work together to benefit your student's academic success.

### Lakeview 2008 Science Fair

All fifth grade students will be completing science fair experiments this year in correlation with our third quarter science topic, Scientific Investigations. Students will complete everything from the experimenting to the display in class with Mrs. Heil's help and supervision. Ask them about their progress, and plan to attend the fair on Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>!

**Congratulations to our new Honor Badge Students: Bradon, Jessica, Sammi, Logan, Harrison, Bobbi, Lyla, Kaleigh, and Alexis! Way to shine!**

## Friendly Fifth-Grade Reminders

**NEW WRITING MODE** – Over the next two weeks your student will finish the story writing mode and begin our next writing mode called personal narrative. The personal narrative mode was what students wrote in last year during the state writing test. During this writing mode students will be writing about real life experiences and events.

**MID-YEAR WRITING PROMPT** - Students will be doing this assessment on Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup>. This helps teachers and students get an accurate gauge of the progress we are making in fifth-grade writing.

**NEW READING THEME** –The new theme is called "Person to Person". During this theme your student will be reading stories about people and their relationships with each other and pets. One story focuses on a surprise birthday party, the next on a woman who is blind and her seeing eye dog, and the last on a family's culture and heritage.

**SOCIAL STUDIES AND SCIENCE** - Mr. Schwanke's students will be in social studies taking an in-depth look at the events before, during, and after the Revolutionary War (including the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution). Mrs. Heil's students will be in Science studying about scientific investigations (including the scientific method process). During this unit everyone will be starting science fair experiments.

**MATH** – Our new math chapter is all about fractions and decimals. Your student is learning how to add and subtract fractions with like and unlike denominators. After this they will be learning how to add and subtract decimals before moving into multiplication with fractions and decimals. In order to help your child, please review the correct rules for adding and subtracting numbers with decimals and fractions vs. multiplication of numbers with decimals and fractions.

## Important Dates

1/25	Spirit Friday—Red Carpet/Dress Up Day
1/28	Report Cards Go Home
1/29	Student Dismissal at 2:20
1/30 & 31	Parent/Teacher Conferences
2/1	January Birthday Treats
2/15	4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> grade Spelling Bee

### SAFE DISMISSAL PROCEDURES AT LAKEVIEW SCHOOL

To insure the safety of students and drivers we ask that families picking up students after school by car travel from the EAST on West Q Street, enter the parking lot, remain in your car and move forward as traffic exits the parking lot to the WEST. Teachers will dismiss students to you. If you need to get out of your car there is limited space in the cut out on West Q Street. Please do not instruct children to cross the street in the middle of the block without an adult accompanying them.

### FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Even though Multicultural Education is richly infused into all areas of Lincoln Public Schools curriculum, to honor Black History month each day during the month of February Lakeview students will learn about the contributions/biography of a person of African American heritage. Students will also hear from the following Lincoln citizens:

#### February 4:

Paul Adams, Tuskegee airman, and namesake of the new elementary school in south Lincoln  
Kindergarten-2nd grades at 10:00 in the Media Center  
3rd-5th grades at 10:25 in the Media Center

We are trying to secure a speaker for the week of February 11-15, look for an update soon.

#### February 20:

Oscar Harriott, Ombudsman for Corrections and director Gospel Mass Choir  
Kindergarten-2nd grades at 1:00 in the Media Center  
3rd-5th grades-1:20-1:45 in the Media Center

#### February 29:

Ron Brown, UNL Football coach and motivational speaker  
Kindergarten-2nd grades at 10:00 in the Media Center  
3rd-5th grades at 10:25 in the Media Center

First grade will be performing a play that is in their social studies curriculum at 2:30 in the Multipurpose Room. It will last about 10-15 minutes, everyone is encouraged to attend.