



Lynx Link

March 2020

Calendar-at-a-Glance

4—Peace Choir Concert/
Fundraiser—2:15 in the gym

12 Early Dismissal—
Conferences:

*K-3 Releases at 11:05
4-5 Releases at 11:35*

13 No School— Conferences
16-20—Spring Break

23—School Resumes

24 PTA Meeting 6:30-8:00pm

28 Native Youth Pow Wow
at Sentinel High School

30—Bullying, Peer Pressure
and the Internet—Families
First class at L & C—6-8pm

Lost and Found Displayed
during parent/teacher
conferences.

What is the Census?

10 Minutes
for
Years

Every **ten** years, the Census
counts **every** person living
in the U.S. once, only once,
and in the right place.

You Count.



It's important to count **EVERYONE** in Montana.
Counting everyone means Montana schools get
their fair share of money for things like school lunch
and breakfast programs, after school activities, and
money for your classrooms.

Make sure your household counts YOU in the 2020 Census!



For More Information, Visit:
[CENSUS.MT.GOV](https://census.mt.gov)

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United States
**Census
2020**

Save up
your Be
Bucks for
special 90's
merchandise to be
hip for Hop!
Available at the
Be Buck store
March
24th, 31st
and April
7th &
14th!



SAVE THE DATE! 90's Hop 2020! Friday, April 17th - 6:00-8:30

This year's theme is the 90's! Clear your calendars and
check out the fun -- games, dancing, food, raffles &
silent auction! Contact The Hop Chair, Lindsay Guttermuth, if you
want to help at Guttermuth@gmail.com

Do YOU have a donation for the Silent Auction?

Have a service you provide? Tickets you won't use?
A rental you could donate for a weekend?

Contact L&C Silent Auction lead, Jess Coulter at
jess.c.coulter@gmail.com with your idea/donation!

Look for Sign Up Genius coming in April with volunteer sign ups!

From the Principal's Office:

Hello Lewis and Clark Families!

Happy March! We have a full month. On March 4th at 2:15, the Peace Choir is performing. The following week is Parent/Teacher Conference week. An email from your teacher should have arrived on February 26th to sign up for a time.

There will be NO SCHOOL on Friday, March 13th. Spring Break is the week of March 16th-20th.

Spring is just around the corner and our field can get messy and soaked! It is not a bad idea to send extra clothes and shoes with your student.

Take care,

Amy Shattuck

Principal

avshattuck@mcps.k12.mt.us

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2020-2021

Kindergarten Registration is Underway!



Who: Students who will turn 5 years old on or before 9/10/20.

Things you will need to gather in preparation for registration:

Child's Birth Certificate, Completed Immunization Record, Two Forms of Proof of Address (utility bill, phone bill, lease agreement)

Kindergarten Registration is a lengthy process that involves quite a bit of paperwork. We know people are busy, and it is hard to spare time to fill out the paperwork here at school. In order to save you time, the forms will be available online. You are welcome to bring in your completed forms with your other documents or fill them out here at the school.

Please visit www.mcpsmt.org for updated registration dates and details.

Please Note: Kindergarten Registration is NOT complete until all of the paperwork and documents are turned in and reviewed by your school secretary!

Counselor's Corner: A Note from Ms. Myers

In classroom lessons this month, we've been covering the definition of bullying. Take a look at this visual to describe a little more about how we define and approach bullying at Lewis and Clark. Students in different grades have been considering how to be a helpful bystander, and, as a preventative measure, how to spread kindness at school and in the community.

Bullying is a behavior.

At Lewis and Clark, we don't call each other "bullies."

What IS Bullying?

Bullying is a BIG problem. Talk to an adult you trust.

MEAN behavior and BULLYING behavior are sometimes different.



- Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behavior.
- Bullying can be verbal, physical, or online.
- BULLYING BEHAVIOR:
 - -HAPPENS MORE THAN ONCE
 - -IS ON PURPOSE
 - -IS ONE-SIDED
 - -INVOLVES AN IMBALANCE OF POWER



Peace Choir March 4th at 2:15pm Lewis and Clark Gym



Peace Choir Concert/Fundraiser

Individual classrooms **will** be collecting donations for Animeals and the Humane Society.

Bring your loose change and help support this fundraiser.

Donations of dog/cat food and kitty litter would also be appreciated.

Please deliver to the music room.

The Peace Choir is busy practicing "animal songs" to perform at a concert to collect donations for Animeals and the Humane Society. Some of the selections include "Rockin' Robin", "Oh I Wanna be a Dog", "The Cat Came Back", "This Little Piggy", and an original piece: "Dirty Dog, Double Rainbow" by our very own Mrs. Morrison!

Parents are welcome to join us for this fun concert!

**Please Note: Peace Choir will finish for the school year on Tuesday, March 10th.
Thanks to every student who has shared their singing voice!**

Thank you to the Lewis and Clark community for donating to the **Lynx Service Club Food Drive. Together we collected 891 pounds of food!!**

Wow! Also a BIG thank you to these 5th grade students who come to Service Club every Monday. They organized the entire food drive! They called the Food Bank, organized the pick up, sorted food, and loaded the truck.

Kylie Barnes



I Love Reading-Earn Prizes

The yellow reading logs count toward two different reading contests. For 10 hours of reading students will earn a pass to Silverwood Park in Coeur d'Alene, ID. Students can also win tickets and prizes from the Missoula Paddleheads baseball team. They move up an inning for every two hours they read with a maximum of 18 hours. Student reading logs are due back to Mr. Nordtome by Monday, March 30th. No late reading logs will be accepted, and prizes will be delivered in early June.

Have fun and keep reading!
Mr. Nordtome



Missoula County Public Schools Indian Education Department

Native Youth Pow Wow

Saturday, March 28th at Sentinel High School

Free event! Open to the Public! Everyone welcome!

Grand entry at 12 & 6
Community Feed at 4:30 pm
For information, please
contact Lewis Yellow Robe at
728-2400 x1049.



Upcoming FREE Parent and Family Classes at Local Schools MCPS Lifelong Learning Center Workshops

Register online through The Lifelong Learning Center: missoulaclases.com
For specific questions about classes, call 406.721.7690.

Upcoming MCPS Family Education Workshops (all 6-8 pm, Free Childcare Provided):

March 30th: Bullying, Peer Pressure, & the Internet—Lewis and Clark

Bullying and peer pressure have always been relevant topics. With rapid advancements in technology and internet accessibility, it is crucial to talk more about their impact on modern life. Participants will engage in conversation and activities to build an understanding of how to handle bullying and peer pressure in the 21st century world.

April 7th: Elementary to Middle School Transitions—Russell Elem

Middle school can be a tough time for pre-teens. They face many issues beyond attending a new school including: puberty, tougher academics, more personal responsibilities, switching classes, boy-girl dances, and multiple teachers. Pre-teens may try the boundaries, test the waters, and sometimes test your patience! This fun, lighthearted class provides tips and practical advice for preparing pre-teens for middle school.

April 9th: Kindness, Compassion, and Self- Esteem—Franklin Elem

Inquiry Corner with Kari Henderson

Greetings Families!

Spring conferences are in early March this year at Lewis and Clark and will be here before we know it! You can expect to see a variety of conferencing styles throughout the school community.

One of the styles you might experience is the parent-teacher conference. Parent-teacher conferences involve the parent or parents of the student and the teacher. These meetings are a great time to share information and expectations about learning as well as the social development of your child.

Another style of conferencing is the student-led conference. Student-led conferences are just that, led by the student. Your student will work to articulate his or her academic experiences and progress and may work on developing a goal during the conference. Student-led conferences will often have several quiet meetings going on in the room at the same time and the teacher is there to support families with the process.

A third style of conferencing is the student-parent-teacher conference. Student-parent-teacher conferences are generally led by the student as the parent(s) and teacher help support the process. Enjoy your conference!!



*Student-involved conferencing can help students reflect, recognize, and articulate their own academic and/or social strengths as well as areas that might require a bit more commitment or inquiry on their part. These actions can help students develop a more vested interest in their growth as a learner and are an important part of being an IB World School.



Morning Movement: Get moving on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings . Please note end dates below!

CREATIVE MOVEMENT

Wednesdays

Thru March 11th

8:00-8:25 AM in the GYM



YOGA

Thursdays

Thru March 5th

8:00-
8:25 AM
in
Room
152

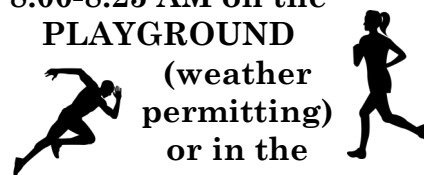


RUNNING CLUB

Fridays

Thru March 6th

8:00-8:25 AM on the
PLAYGROUND
(weather
permitting)
or in the



Lost & Found

Items will be on display through
parent/teacher conferences.



Please take a look for any missing items
when you come for your conference.

Please label your child's things with a Sharpie. This
allows us to return lost items to their rightful owner!

Family Resource Specialists

Tracey Cravy and Lisa Hayhurst

728-2400 x4355 frclewis@mcps.k12.mt.us

Family Resource Center Hours:

M., T, W,F 8:30-3:15 /TH 8:30—2

Family Resource Center

March Wish List

Girls and Boys Winter Boots:

Large Sizes— 5, 6, 7, 8

Your time and donations are
very much appreciated!

Thank You!

Ms. Roberta for sleeping bags and
toothbrushes!

Hosanna Tabor for Lost and Found
help!

Kolendich Family for the clothes!

Randy Tanner for teaching yoga!

MOR4Kids and the generous



River Bank Run

Saturday, April 25th

Kids (and their families) can register
for the run at the YMCA

Registration for students is \$15 for either
the 1 mile or 5 K distance.

(Scholarship help available! Stop in the
FRC/Rm. 126 or call 327-6949.)

LET'S RUN THIS TOGETHER and be the
school with the most student participants!

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The next Lewis and Clark PTA meeting is **Tuesday, March 24th, 6:30-8:00** in in the Library.
Everyone is welcome!



The Missoula Education Foundation is now accepting
nominations for the Elementary School Educator of the Year.
Nominations may be completed [online](#). Lewis & Clark has had
the winner at our school four of the past 6 years! WOW!!

What should my child read next?

After attending parent teacher conferences, parents might be wondering how to find books at their child/ren's current IRLA (Independent Reading Level Assessment). Here are some tips/resources to help:

- Ask your child's teacher or Mr. Nordtome, our L&C librarian, for examples and ideas of books at their reading level
- Check out <https://library.cedarmill.org/kids/booklists/leveled/> for ideas. You can find other leveled books on this website by searching their website by "tag" and typing in the color and level with no spaces (e.g. 1greenreadinglevel or whitereadinglevel)
- Find book series by IRLA color here: <https://www.mcpsmt.org/Page/6125>



La Rueda de Casino – Lewis and Clark 5th graders, 2020

The fifth grade participated in a two-week multi-disciplinary Latin dance unit with the SPARK Arts program. They learned a dance from Cuba called Rueda de Casino. *Ms. Kees* and *Señora Slater* combined their P.E. and Spanish classes for the unit. We were excited to have Dr. Jennifer Corbin from the University of Montana working with our students. She taught some dance customs and culture, and the students learned dance directions in Spanish. Each class also performed a Cuban song, featuring clave and the alto recorder which they learned with *Ms. Morrison* in their music classes. In media with Mr. Nordtome, the students did a research project on a topic of their choice about Cuba. The unit culminated on Friday, Feb. 28th, with each fifth-grade class performing for the other classes. Parents and the fourth-grade classes were invited to come and watch.



In Montana, parents want what's best for their kids.

ParentingMontana.org has information and tools for parents of children at every age. Visit: **ParentingMontana.org**



If you are struggling:

Crisis Text Line: Free for people in crisis.
Text MT to 741-741

Montana Suicide Prevention Lifeline: Call this number if you or a loved one are in crisis –
(800) 273-8255



The Enrichment and Academic Support Team (EAST) spring session was a great success! Many thanks to the following :



-L&C PTA , Amy Shattuck, Bridget Allen & Tracey Cravy

-L&C teachers who volunteered their classrooms: Cooper, Shoen-Slater, Meurer, Winter, Swanson, Nordtome and Kees

-**EAST instructors and assistants:** Chef Dan Brasington and Katie Little from Families First, Kelli Hess & Kristi Havlik from the Missoula Food Bank, Claudia Hewston from the National Wildlife Federation & Caitlyn Hewston from SoilCycle, Natalie Stockmann from FreeCycles. Brandon Dwyer and Josh Hocking from the WestSlope Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Carolyn Taber from the Missoula Insectarium, Kim Anderson from Kim Anderson Art & Design, Steve Kru-tek from UM, Joan Garrett and Maile Macaluso, volunteers & parent instructors

-**EAST volunteers, class greeters and cleaners:** Mary French, Toni Matlock, Kamra Kolendich, and Tracy Dahl & Mandy and Mike Snook for making all of the nametags. EAST is a team effort and couldn't be done without each of them!



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