



# Lynx Link

## May

6-10 PTA Staff Appreciation

9 Bike-to-School Day

15-29 Bring books to swap to FRC. Swap held 6/4

17 Kindergarten Round Up 2019/2020 class (no school for current kinders)

21 PTA Meeting 6:30-8 pm

23 4th/5th Grade Talent Show 1:00

23 Thirty Thursday Tie Dye

27 No School—Memorial Day

31 Indian Ed End of Year Celebration 3:00-6:00—Hawthorne Elementary

## June

4 Bookin' Into Summer Book Swap & end of school celebration

3 & 6 Fourth Grade Instrument Night

7 Firth Grade IB Exhibitions and Field Day



**COMING – JUNE 4th!**

**BOOKIN' INTO SUMMER!**

**6:15-7:30 pm on the L&C playground**

- \* Join us for this fun, free family event and stock up on books for summer reading!
- \* Celebrate the end of the school year!
- \* Meet Mrs. Shattuck, L&C's new principal as of July 1st!

**Step 1: May 15-29** Bring one (up to 5!) of your gently used books to the Family Resource Center. Kids will get (up to 5) tokens to use when selecting "new to them" books during the event on June 4th

**Step 2: June 4th** bring your tokens to the **Bookin' Into Summer!** event and get new books for summer!

\*Look for more book swap details on **Pg. 3**

## May is Bike Month!

Join Lewis & Clark's celebration of **National Bike Month** by encouraging your kids to ride their bikes (or better yet, join them!) to school on

**Thursday, May 9th–**

**Bike to School**

**8:00-8:25 AM (on playground before school)**



Kids who ride bikes to school will receive a charm and a treat.

# From the Principal's Office:

May 1, 2019

Dear Parents,



L&C Mission Statement: We endeavor to foster global awareness as well as inspire stewardship within our community and the natural world. To this end, we provide a foundation for each student to become a lifelong learner. We promote the development of the whole child through the IB Learner Profile. Our Program of Inquiry creates authentic opportunities for academic growth utilizing constructivist approaches to learning. Implementing these ideals in a caring environment will result in courageous, creative, literate, thoughtful and active members of society.

We will soon begin the process of developing next year's class lists, with input from your child's classroom teacher, our specialists and support staff. There are a number of factors we must consider in trying to balance classrooms for next year:

1. The following are changes to the staff roster for the 2019-20 school year:

- Mrs. Amy Shattuck - Principal
- Mrs. Aldrich (returning from leave)
- Mrs. Bond (returning from maternity leave)
- Mrs. Jencso 3rd grade
- Ms. Hougard 3rd grade
- Mrs. O'Connor 4th grade
- Mrs. Garland 5th grade (returning from maternity leave)

2. Kindergarten is close to capacity at this time. We have 4 spots remaining.

3. We use these guidelines when assigning students to a classroom:

- Balance of academic performance levels
- Balance of gender
- Balance of behavior/social needs

Parents often ask how we go about making class lists. We go through a rigorous process to balance classes. We take considerable time and effort with the process of balancing classes to support all students and the many, varied learning styles they demonstrate. Teachers, counselors, special education staff and administration work together to gather academic, behavioral, and social data, as we form learning groups. Many staff reviews take place as we finalize the class lists.

Our student numbers for 2019-20, in most classes, will be close to the maximum allowed by the state. **We are not accepting any out of area students at this time.** With new students moving into the district and some students leaving our attendance area during the summer months, classroom configurations do change. Lewis and Clark has caring teachers at all levels. Our units of inquiry and Montana Common Core Standards allow for classrooms to offer a guaranteed curriculum at each grade level. I would like to commend those parents who take an active role in their child's education. I understand parents' interests in choosing their child's teacher; however, based on what I have outlined above, **I will not be accepting parent requests for specific teachers.** If there are issues of which we need to be aware, please put those in writing addressed to me. [sanderson@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:sanderson@mcps.k12.mt.us)

Your support is greatly appreciated. If you have questions, please feel free to call me at 728-2400 ext. 4350.

***Supply lists will be posted in July.***

***Class lists will be posted on the front window by late August 2019.***

Susan Anderson, Principal



**Thank You!**

The FRC says THANK YOU...to the **Schweyen** family for toothbrushes and dental supplies, ...to Doug Wing for clothes donation

....to **MOR4Kids** for the continued and generous support of the Family Resource Center (FRC). MOR4Kids was created in 2011 after members of the Missoula Organization of REALTORS (MOR) recognized a growing need in Missoula's school system to help feed, clothe and support homeless and at-risk students in MCPS. Lewis & Clark's FRC is one of the 29 local schools that MOR4Kids supports. Since 2011, MOR4Kids has given **almost half a million dollars** to these schools and students. Thank you MOR4Kids and MOR!

## Lost & Found

The final clean out of the bins for the year will be: **June 3rd to June 12th.**

In the meantime, you can check both L&F bins if you are missing something. Often classrooms have their own L&F box as well.

Remember to write your student's name on all items that could get lost. They will get returned when the bins are cleaned!



## BOOKIN' INTO SUMMER– Book Swap Details

**May 15-29th:** Kids may bring up to 5 books to trade. Additional volumes will be considered donations and will not receive trade tokens.

Please choose carefully which books are brought in for swap. **Books will only be eligible to swap if they meet the following criteria:**

- \* Books appropriate for grades KG-5th
- \* Books should be in gently used condition (cover on, no rips, tears, bent edges or writing/coloring on the pages)
- \* Books should fit into one of the following categories: picture, early chapter books, regular chapter books, 5th grade/YA books. **Please do NOT** send board books, coloring books, activity or sticker books, religious books, magazines or adult titles. They will be returned to kids.

**Join us June 4th 6:15-7:30 pm on the L&C playground for the Book Swap!** Kids bring their tokens and can exchange them for books. Please note the selection of books available will be based on the books donated. *Questions? Want to help? Contact the FRC@327-6949*

## Inquiry Corner with Kari Henderson

### What is the 5th Grade Exhibition?

***Our Exhibition is scheduled for the morning of June 7th from 9:00-10:15 in our new cafeteria!***

In the final year of the PYP, students carry out an extended, in-depth, collaborative project known as the PYP exhibition.

Fifth grade students work collaboratively to conduct an in-depth inquiry into real life issues, problems, or interests. Students collectively synthesize all of the essential elements of the PYP in ways that can be shared with the whole school community.

The exhibition provides teachers with a powerful and authentic process for assessing student understanding.

The exhibition represents a unique and significant opportunity for students to exhibit the attributes of the IB learner profile developed throughout their engagement with the PYP.

It also provides schools and students with a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the transition of learners to the next phase of their education.



This year our students will be focusing on an area of personal interest under the transdisciplinary theme- How we express ourselves.

If you are interested in assisting as a mentor please contact Leslie Ferrell at [lferrell@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:lferrell@mcps.k12.mt.us) - Thank you!

### Indian Education End of Year Gathering

**Friday, May 31st**

**Hawthorne Elementary**

**3:00-6:00**



Free Ice Cream Cones for students!

### Reminder: Morning Movement is done for the year.

*Thank you Mrs. O'Connor and Mrs. Winter and for helping us start our days right!*



**Come move with us again next fall!**

### Kindergarten Round Up

Parents & incoming 2019-2020 kindergarten kiddos, please reserve Friday, May 17th. Detailed information will be forthcoming!

Kindergarten! ... here I come!



### Thirty Thursday Be Buck Award! Tie Dye!

Session runs from 2:00-2:25 on Thursday, May 23rd



**Limited to 10 kids— sign up early at the Be Buck Store!**  
Students must have all 30 Be Bucks before signing up.  
All materials will be provided.

Parents are responsible to pick up their children.

# Noted!

A huge Thank You! to the Montana Arts Council, Lewis and Clark PTA, Create Missoula, Spark! and Gamelan Manik Harum for their sponsorship of Bali Week at Lewis and Clark Elementary. All classes had time with our visiting guest artists, I Made Lasmawan and Ni Ketut Marni. We learned some dance moves and how to do kecak, a unique vocal art form from Bali, Indonesia. The final performance with all three 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes was a huge success.

Check out highlights at the YouTube Websites below.

Bali Week 2019

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rg\\_MMSw\\_5y8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rg_MMSw_5y8)

Meong Meong Performance

<https://youtu.be/pHgCnmW3gjk>

Selamat Pagi Performance



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## Lynx Service Club News!

Lynx Service Club is wrapping up the year with one final project! **POPCORN FOR WISHES.** We will be selling popcorn on **Friday May 3rd** after school at 3pm and 3:30pm for \$1.00 on the playground! All proceeds will go to Make-A-Wish Foundation, a local organization that grants the wishes of children with critical illnesses.

Bring your \$1.00!  
It will see out fast!!



## Lewis and Clark Forever Famous 4th/5th Grade Talent Show!

*Thursday, May 23rd*

*1:00-2:15 in the L & C Gym*

**Come be amazed at all our  
older students can do!**



## Counselor's Corner: A Note from Ms. Myers

### Career Exploration!

School Counselors deliver classroom lessons around the 3 domains: Social/Emotional, Academic, and Career. In April and May, my lessons in many grade levels are focused on career. Career lessons are one of my favorite topics!

Through books, activities, and conversations, students are thinking about how skills, interests, and personalities match career choices. Kids LOVE thinking and talking about the world of work! Get the conversation rolling; ask your children: what problems do YOU want to solve as an adult? Talk about your own job; what are the skills you possess that make you successful at work? How did you choose the job you're in? I hope you enjoy making this school-home link with your children!



### Summer Options for Children



The opportunities for children in Missoula to have fun, grow, and learn all summer long are vast and ever-expanding. Are you unsure what to involve your child in this summer or just want to learn about some options? Check out the red resource shelf or the summer camp info sign outside the gym. Both are brimming with brochures for camps. You can also stop in the FRC. We are happy to chat with you about them!

### Family Resource Center

#### May Wish List

Girls Tennis Shoes size 12, 1, 2.5, 3, 3.5, 4, 4.5

Girls Long Sleeve Shirts: size 6-14

Girls Leggings—sizes 6-14

Used items very welcome!

Your time and donations are very much appreciated!

#### Family Resource Specialists

*Tracey Cravy and*

*Lisa Hayhurst*

*728-2400 x4355*

*frclewis@meps.k12.mt.us*

*Family Resource Center Hours:*

*M,W,F 8:30-3:15 / T,TH 8:30-1:30*

## **New Lewis and Clark PTA Officers Needed**

Our PTA is fun and effective! We contribute energy and funding that enriches the lives of our children and helps create a safe and positive learning environment. We couldn't succeed without your help. We will be electing new officers at our May general membership meeting on **Tuesday, May 21st.**

**Open positions include**

**PTA Co-President**

**PTA Vice President**

**PTA Treasurer**

If you are interested in these positions, feel free to e-mail current president Alissa. We will also need volunteers to lead various PTA efforts next year. Stay tuned for more details!

## **MAY PTA MEETING**

Join us for the last regular meeting of the of the year on

**Tuesday, May 21—6:30-8:00 pm**  
in the music room (#205).

Childcare is provided; please contact Alissa Schumacher if you will be needing childcare—  
raschumacher08@gmail.com

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



## **Spring Musicals!**

**Watch for notes coming home with  
details!**

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade** – The Bremen Town  
Musicians: A German Folk Tale

**May 29, 30 & 31.**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade** – Weatherman on Trial  
**June 3, 4, & 5.**

**Kindergarten Sharing** –  
last week of school



### **2018-2019 PTA Officers:**

**President:** Alissa  
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## Ms. Cooper's Crew

One of the most important aspects of the International Baccalaureate Program is to take action after you have explored a theme. After learning about community, and the roles we all play in our various communities, Ms. Cooper's class asked themselves, "What can we do for our community?" We decided to make treats for the animals at the Humane Society of Western Montana! We also made signs to put on the kennels and crates that might help a future family decide on a new pet. About half the class was able to make it on a Saturday to help Ms. Cooper deliver the

treats. We presented the workers with a special thank you to them for taking care of these animals, and recognizing them for the important role they play in our community.



## 4th Grade Students:

You are invited to the MCPS Instrument Adventure Night

**June 3rd or June 6th**

**6:00-8:00 pm**

## Sentinel High School

- Learn about the different instruments available in 5th grade band & orchestra
- Try out the instruments
- Sign up for summer music camps
- Questions? Visit the MCPS website or call Liddi Elrod at 542-4030



## MCPS Summer Arts and Instrumental Camps

**June 17th-28th at Sentinel High School**

Check out these affordable (\$50-\$75) fine arts camp opportunities offered through Missoula County Public Schools

<https://www.mcpsmt.org/domain/959>

[www.mcpsmt.org](http://www.mcpsmt.org) under "Fine Arts"



## Warm Spring Weather Brings out Ticks



There are many species of ticks capable of transmitting a variety of bacterial, viral, and parasitic illnesses to humans and other mammals.



### PROTECT YOURSELF:

- Use insect repellent (at least 20 % DEET) and wear protective clothing to prevent ticks from making you their next meal. Early recognition and treatment of tick-borne infections significantly decreases the risk of serious complications
- Inspect yourself, other family members and pets after being outdoors
- Shower off after being outdoors to wash off ticks and more easily spot ticks

Information taken from <http://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/cdepi/diseases/ticks>

## Tamarack Grief Resource Center's Spring Mini-Camp

Mini Camps are for children (grades 1-5) grieving the death of a family member or loved one.

**May: Take Me to The River**

**May 23, 3-6 pm**

**Register by May 16**

**To register or for more info**

**call 406-541-8472**

**Art projects\* Memories\* Games\*  
Stories\* Creative Activities\* River  
Fun\*Friends**



All library materials are due on **May 17<sup>th</sup>** so that they may be packed for the summer remodel.

If books are lost, please send a check or cash so that they can be replaced. If you cannot afford to pay the full price, please contact me. I want to work with you! My email is:

[jsnordtome@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:jsnordtome@mcps.k12.mt.us)

or 728-2400 ext. 4381.

Thank you! -Mr. Nordtome

## PROTECT THOSE NOGGINS

Studies have shown helmets can reduce the risk of head injury by 85%. Surveys show:

- only 27 percent of adults and 44 percent of children riding bicycles in Missoula wear helmets
- only 34 percent of skiers and snowboarders wear helmets.

Frequent helmet sales are held by the St. Patrick Hospital Trauma Services in the Broadway Building 5th floor lobby. Call (406) 329-2823 for a current schedule.

**Prices:**

**Bike: \$8**

**Multi Sport:** (skateboarding, in-line skating, rollerblading, ice skating, kayaking):  
**\$10**

**Ski: \$20 or Equestrian: \$23**



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**Field Day—June 7, 2019**

We always need a lot of help. Teachers will recruit parent helpers for the morning and afternoon sessions. Please join us, if you can!

## Free Clothes!

**Bethel Community Church** offers a free clothes closet **every Tuesday, 10 am-1 pm**. Clothes for the whole family— whatever you need—FREE!

You are also welcome to donate clothes/bedding for the clothes closet. Bethel Community Church is located at **1601 South 6th Street West**. Questions? Call 721-2780

