



# Lynx Link

November 2018

## November

### *Calendar-at-a-Glance*

2-20 L&C Toiletry Drive  
4 Daylight Savings Time Ends  
6 Election Day- VOTE!  
8 Half Day for conferences  
9 No school—Conferences  
13 Caffé Dolce PTA fundraiser  
16 Giving Tree begins!  
27 PTA Meeting—11:50 am  
21-23 Thanksgiving Break—  
No School  
27 Individual Picture Retakes  
29 Internet Safety- C.M.  
Russell Elementary library

## Internet Safety: What Parents Need to Know

**Thursday, November 29th—5:45-7:45 pm**

**C.M. Russell Elementary Library**

**3216 S Russell St., next to the YMCA**

Join us for a presentation by Missoula Police Detective Peterson and conversation about how to keep our kids safe online. Detective Petersen is part of the Montana Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force.

Light Dinner Provided. Childcare available, if pre-registered. Registration strongly encouraged.

Register online  
at <https://goo.gl/forms/PLUY48jxrTD1a7u2> or by  
calling 327-6949. Questions: Contact Tracey or Lisa  
in the Family Resource Center.



## Toiletry Drive

**The 4th grade Lynx Service Club (LSC) will be collecting toiletry items November 2nd-20th. Collection boxes will be at the front office until Nov. 20th. LSC will sort and donate items to L&C families in need, as part of the Giving Tree.**



## The Giving Tree Is Coming!

The Giving Tree is a wonderful opportunity for our L&C school community to donate or receive assistance during the upcoming holiday season.

You can participate by adopting a family or taking an ornament from our tree, located on the bulletin board across from the front office, starting November 17th. If your child's classroom or your family, church, or business is interested in "adopting" a family or in making a monetary donation, please contact one of the Family Resource Specialists—Tracey Cravy or Lisa Hayhurst.

They can be reached at 728-2400 x4355, [frclewis@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:frclewis@mcps.k12.mt.us), or stop into the Family Resource Center (SE corner of the gym). M, W, F 8:30-3:15 or T, Th 8:30-1:30.

Please keep in mind wrapped gifts are due to the FRC (with the ornament attached) by Friday, December 14th.





## From the Principal's Office:

Dear Parents,

The week of Nov. 5 - 8 will be Parent Teacher Conference time at Lewis and Clark. In order to meet with all parents, teachers schedule conferences throughout the week to accommodate varying schedules.

Reporting student progress is an essential part of the communication and partnership between school and home. The Missoula County Public School Elementary School report card is a Standards-Referenced report, meaning that the student's status is reported (or referenced) relative to the grade-level performance standard for each area of knowledge or skill. With a standards-referenced approach, teachers evaluate student learning using classroom observation, student classroom work and formative and summative assessments. The combination of these pieces of evidence when reviewed with parents provides a more detailed picture of student progress. It tells the parent what the student can do and to what degree. This, in turn leads to identification of and direction for future learning goals. Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grade report cards are completely standards referenced. Proficiency is based around an end-of-year benchmark rather than a trimester benchmark.

On a standards-referenced report, a mark of 3 "Proficient" is the expected goal for students by the end of the year. A 3 indicates the student is performing at grade level and demonstrates all skills and knowledge within the grade-level standard. Marks of a 2 "Nearing Proficiency" indicates a student demonstrates some skills and knowledge within the standard and is approaching standard. Many students will be at a 2, working throughout the school year towards skills and knowledge required to show proficiency within the grade-level standard. Marks of 1 indicate a student can demonstrate some skills and knowledge within the standard, with help and is beginning to build foundational skills toward grade level standards. Marks of a 4 "Advanced" indicate the student exceeds all skills within the standard by demonstrating more complex understanding and is performing above grade level.

The standards are statements of what MCPS students in grades K-12 should know and be able to do. Below are links to MCPS Grade Level Standards:

<a href="#">K - 5 ELA Standards</a>	<a href="#">K - 5 Math Standards</a>
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Frequently asked questions:

**Should all standards be demonstrated by the end of the year?** Yes. The standards are grade specific; therefore, the goal is to have every student demonstrate proficiency, reach a mark of 3 in all grade-level standards by the end of the year.

**Are Habits/Attitudes included as part of an academic score?** No. Habits and Attitudes are not included when determining a student's academic score. Habits and Attitudes are reported separately on the report card based on the school's expectations around Respect, Responsibility and Safety. **We consider Habits/Attitudes equally important to academic progress.**

**Questions? If you have further questions regarding MCPS Elementary report cards, please contact principal, Susan Anderson 406 (542-4035). Happy November!**



# The PTA Page

The Parent-Teacher Association of Lewis & Clark Elementary School strives to build an enriching school culture and a welcoming environment for all children, parents, and staff.



## PTA Meeting & Membership

The next  
Lewis & Clark  
PTA meeting is:

**Tuesday, Nov. 27th in Mrs.  
Morrison's music room (205) at  
11:50 am -12:45 pm.**

Please note the time change from the evening to the lunch hour due to the Thanksgiving break.

You **do not** need to attend meetings if you become a PTA member—although we'd love to have you!!



**Thank you to all who sold items to support the Coffee, Toffee, Tea and More fundraiser! So far we have raised over \$14,000! Wow!**

**Thank you to our amazing local vendors: Florence Coffee, The Sweets Barn, Montana Tea and Spice Co, and Bequet Confectioners.**

**Thank you to Sonja Wolsky for once again leading the fundraiser to support our PTA and school!**

**Thank you to those who helped tally orders!**

**Orders will be ready for pick up after school on Monday, November 12th.**

## Easy Ways to Donate to the PTA

- \* Join the PTA. Membership forms by the front office
- \* Collect BoxTop\$?! There is a collection box at the front desk
- \* Ask the cashier BEFORE you check out at the Good Food Store and/or Missoula Fresh Market to mark a percentage of your grocery purchase receipt to go to L&C.



## Lewis and Clark Elementary School

### PTA officers

**2018-2019**



### President:

Alissa Schumacher— [raschumacher08@gmail.com](mailto:raschumacher08@gmail.com)

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**Secretary:** Keri McHugh— [keri.mchugh@gmail.com](mailto:keri.mchugh@gmail.com)



# CAFFÈ DOLCE

Mark your calendar and spread the word about  
Lewis and Clark PTA's fundraiser at  
Caffe Dolce (500 Brooks St.) on  
**Tuesday, November 13th.**

Caffe Dolce will donate 15% of Nov. 13th's  
evening's sales (anything after 5 pm, including  
takeout!). Additionally, diners are encouraged  
to make an additional donation, which can be  
processed through their credit card terminals,  
or written out directly as a check made  
payable to the L&C PTA.

Reservations are strongly encouraged!  
Call **406-830-3055 x3** or via  
opentable: [caffedolce.com](http://caffedolce.com).

## The Power of a Sharpie...

Mark your kiddos' items with  
legible first and last names so  
they can be returned to  
students or claimed easily.

Other lost items that are not  
identified or claimed are  
donated to a free clothes  
closet or become part of the  
FRC inventory.

**Lost and Found** will be  
on display **October 31st—  
Nov 9**. Take a look and claim  
your lost items!



## Peace Choir



The Peace Choir will perform as  
part of the Patriotic/World Citizen Sing-Along on  
Veteran's Day,

**Monday November 12, 2018**

8:40-9:10am

***Singers please wear your Peace Choir t-shirt  
on that day!***

Although this is not a stand-alone performance,  
Peace Choir parents are welcome to join on the  
sidelines of our all-school assembly.

*Tuesday November 13, 2018 (the next morning)  
will be the final day of our first season.*

*The second Peace Choir season will be  
January 22 – March 19, 2019.*

## LYNX WEAR

### On sale soon!

Orders will be placed in No-  
vember, and items will be de-  
livered before the Holiday  
break. New this year: online  
ordering! This should allow  
for easier visualization of  
products offered, and simplify  
ordering. The purpose is still  
the same: showing our Lynx  
pride! **Watch for more info  
coming soon.** And thank  
you for your continued sup-  
port of  
our fan-  
tastic  
school!





## *Inquiry Corner with Kari Henderson*



### What is the PYP Action Cycle?

The Action Cycle is an important part of a student's experience in an IB World School. Students are encouraged and expected to **reflect** on their learning, to think about a **choice** based on their understandings, and to take **action** to support their choice.

☆ If you have noticed your child taking action as a result of his or her participation in an IB unit of inquiry, please share what you have seen or heard with us. Remember that action can be demonstrated in many ways and can include anything from a conversation about a concept, a change in behavior, to working with adults and peers to set up a fundraiser to help a cause.

☆ To print out a Student Action Sheet you can click on the International Baccalaureate section under the "About Us" tab on the Lewis and Clark website and choose the Action Cycle tab, or take one from the IB bulletin board at the front office. Thank you for taking the time to share with us!



\*IB information is on our school website under the "About Us" tab.

Feel free to contact your child's teacher or Kari Henderson, our IB Coordinator, for more information. 728-2400 ext. 4396

**Morning Movement: Get moving with Mrs. O'Connor and Mrs. Winter on Wed & Thurs Mornings: September 26th to November 15th.**

#### **RUNNING CLUB**

Wednesdays  
Thru November 14th

8:00-8:25 AM on the PLAYGROUND  
(Until it gets too cold/wet)



#### **CREATIVE MOVEMENT**

Thursdays

Thru November 15th

8:00-8:25 AM in the GYM



## Family Resource Center

*Tracey Cravy and Lisa Hayhurst*

728-2400 x4355 [frclewis@mcps.k12.mt.us](mailto:frclewis@mcps.k12.mt.us)

*Family Resource Center Hours:*

*M,W,F 8:30-3:15*

*T,TH 8:30-1:30*



### November Wish List

**Girls tennis shoes:** sizes 11,13, 5 1/2

**Boots:** Boys/Girls sizes 4,, 5, 6, 7

**Snow pants:** sizes 8-10, 10-12, 12-14

**Underwear:** Boys' size 8-10

**Girls Socks (warm):** sizes 1-5

**Girls Leggings** - sizes 5-14

### Lynx Service Club News!

Hi Lewis and Clark families! We are part of Lynx Service Club a.k.a. LSC. We are a group of fourth-graders who volunteer our time on Mondays during lunch. We have parent volunteers that help us run LSC. Every week we pick up recycling for our school and we also do different projects throughout the year such as the toiletry drive, the Super Bowl food drive, and once a year a global project. LSC is open to any 4th grader.

On behalf of LSC,  
Violet Pehan and Patrick DelHomme

P.S. LSC is run by L&C parents Kylie Barnes & Lisa McKinney, and former L&C teacher Jackie Harper. If you have any questions or IDEAS for projects please feel to contact Kylie at:

[barnes.fam@hotmail.com](mailto:barnes.fam@hotmail.com)



Since head lice is not uncommon in school age children, the district wants to remind parents of resources and the school procedures which are located on the district web-site ([www.mcpsmt.org](http://www.mcpsmt.org)) ⇒ student services ⇒ health services ⇒ head lice. You may also contact the family resource centers (rm. 126) or the school nurse for written information or resources.

Remember that:

- People usually don't have symptoms of having head lice for several weeks after becoming infested. A common symptom is itching which is also common with dandruff and dry skin.
- People get head lice from other infested people mostly when they have head to head contact as head lice do not fly, swim or jump.
- It's easier to treat head lice when found "early" so checking hair for head lice at home is important for any symptoms or even periodically.



### Save the Dates!

**December 3-6 Hour of Code—** The Hour of Code is returning to L & C, open to students in grades 1st-5th. No coding experience necessary! *Registration details coming via email after Thanksgiving.*



**December 14—  
Native American  
Winter Gathering  
at CS Porter Middle  
School 6:00-8:00 pm**



**February 5-28 -  
EAST spring after-  
school session.**  
Can you lead or assist with a class?  
Contact Lisa at 728-2400 x 4355.

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

### ZONES of Regulation

#### A Self-Regulation Curriculum

At Lewis and Clark, we use the Zones of Regulation to talk about emotional regulation. The Zones is a self-regulation (self-control, impulse control) program; self-regulation refers to the best state of alertness for body and emotions for a specific situation. For example, when playing a game on the playground, it is beneficial to have a higher level of alertness and energy. However, the same state is not appropriate for learning in the classroom. Through the lessons, students are learning how to identify their feeling and to learn strategies to change the zone they're in to match the appropriate situation. We're putting extra focus on how to get to and stay in the green zone at school.

Try out the language at home! The more we generalize these concepts, the more practice students will get in self-awareness and self-regulation!

BLUE "RUNNING SLOW"	GREEN "GOOD TO GO"	YELLOW "CAUTION"	RED "OUT OF CONTROL"
Sad, Tired, Bored, Sick, Lonely	Focused, Calm, Ready to Learn, Happy	Excited, Nervous, Hyper, Embarrassed	Angry, Mean, Yelling, Aggressive
Strategy: stretch	Strategy: focus on the teacher	Strategy: deep breaths	Strategy: ask for a break



#### *Lewis and Clark Student Council 2018-19 is up and running!*

Each student representative was elected by his or her class. Representatives from **Fifth grade:** 5F—Dashel Deschamps and Emily Pereira ; 5G—Sylvie Kendrick and Cydney Tawney; 5J – Bela Freidman and Adelaide Three Irons. **Fourth grade:** 4C Ashton Huse and Avery Corbin ; 4J—Oliver Darrington and Naya McKinney; 4W- Cora Barnes and Jack Pew Webmaster—Finley Chatlain

The purpose of Student Council is to let students participate in a democratic forum to make the school a better place. Each will bring ideas from the classroom to the Student Council discussion where all ideas will be treated equally. Each representative will bring back to the classroom the minutes of the meeting and will ask for class votes on major issues. Student Council represents YOU, the student! Please have a voice in making the school a better place. Meetings are at **lunchtime every other on Wednesday** in Mrs. Ferrell's class and everyone is welcome to attend.

### Reminder!

Please dress your child(ren) for the cold, wet weather. Students will be going outside to play each day, three times a day, unless it is below zero or a complete downpour. Students should wear a warm coat, mittens, a hat, and rain/snow boots. If you are unable to provide these items for your child, please contact the FRC for assistance! 728-2400x4355



## Many thanks from the PTA and the FRC

Thank you to **Sonja Wolsky** for organizing the Coffee, Toffee, & Tea Fund-raiser AGAIN this year!

Thank you to **Angie Tranel** for organizing the Ice Cream Social!

Thank you to **Macrae Peeples, Hillary Ogg, & Katie Little** for organizing & helping make our students look great on picture day! And to **Lifetouch** for picture scholarships!

Thank you to **Macrae Peeples, Tiara Knowles, Katie Little (and her mom!) and Kitsy Borgstadt** for aiding with hearing screening!

Thank you to **Hilary Rivers** for help displaying Lost and Found Items.

Thank you to **Angie Walker, Hilary Rivers and Jessica Stevenson** for sorting and helping organize the FRC donation closet.

Thank you to **Jennifer Hurley & Dessa Dale** for helping pull & organize winter outerwear from the FRC closet to give to L&C kids in need!

Thank you to the following for the FRC donations: **Roberta Kerr, Melissa Cooper, Wolsky Family, Julie McClelland, Elizabeth Fricke, the Good family, Schumacher family, Cardinal family, Schick family, Thompson family and Jenco family.**

Thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the Bus/Walk/ Bike to school morning: **Loni Koerner, Katie Little, Alissa Schumacher, Liz and Carl Stotts, Angie Walker, Cindee Yates-Hansen, Jessica Stevenson**

## Even More Thanks From the PTA...

We are thankful for our great school community. We are thankful for 100+ members joining this year. And we are so thankful for the opportunity to sponsor the following: Ice Cream Social, part of the FRC specialist's salary, grants to teachers for supplies and field trips, staff appreciation, EAST after school activities, Outdoor Discovery Core maintenance, classroom technology, student service projects, special learning projects and more. We are only able to do these and others because of your generous support both through finances, input, and volunteering. Thank you for your help!

PTA membership can have any level of involvement. Volunteer at an event, come to meetings, lead a project, or support our efforts with you financial contribution.

**However you do it, we appreciate your support!**





## Lewis and Clark Elementary Holiday Program

### *Home for the Holidays*

**Tuesday, December 18, 2018**

**9:00AM:** Band & Orchestra

1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>: Dungan; Henderson/  
Vanek; Sharkey

5<sup>th</sup>: Ferrell; Garland; Johnson

**10:15AM:** K: Cooper; Kemmis

1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>: Greil; Langella  
4<sup>th</sup>: Cox; Jones; Wyatt

**1:00PM:** K: Paoli; Winter

1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>: Jencso/Bond; Meurer;  
Hougard

3<sup>rd</sup>: Griffin; Mosbacher;  
O'Connor

### **Holiday Sing-Along: Friday—**

**December 21, 2018**

K; 1<sup>st</sup>; 2<sup>nd</sup> - 12:45-1:15

3<sup>rd</sup>; 4<sup>th</sup>; 5<sup>th</sup> - 1:20-1:50



### **Tip for Kids**

1. Be at the bus stop early
2. Wait for the bus in a safe place – away from the road.
3. Take your seat right away; stay seated at all times.
4. Keep the bus clean.
5. Keep all of your body inside the bus.
6. Listen to the driver; follow directions
7. Leave the bus carefully, using the handrails.
8. Take 10 giant steps away from the bus before crossing in front of it.
9. Look both ways before crossing the road.
10. If you drop or forget something, ask your driver for help; stay away from the bus.



Read Bus Schedules Online: [www.beachtrans.com](http://www.beachtrans.com)

## **SCHOOL ZONE!**

Here are some important bus safety reminders from your friends at BEACH TRANSPORTATION



### **Tips for Parents**

1. Walk your children to and from the bus stop.
2. Stay with your children make sure they get to the bus stop on time, wait back from the curb and avoid rough play.
3. Teach your children to ask the driver for help if they drop something near the bus.
4. If you have safety concerns about the bus stop location, please contact your school.
5. Have a backup plan in case the bus is delayed.

Beach Transportation  
825 Mount Ave., Missoula, MT 59801  
(406)-549-6121 • [www.beachtrans.com](http://www.beachtrans.com)

## **L&C PLAYGROUND**

### **REMINDERS**



Please help keep everyone safe on our playground by remembering and reminding students:

- Walk bikes and scooters on the playground before and after school (we've had some near misses!)
- Keep the friendship benches upright. They have been turned over and are showing wear and tear!
- Pick up after dogs if you bring them to play during non-school hours. The shoes you save may be yours!