



Lynx Link

January 2019

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**The Missoula
Children's
Theater**
**is coming to
L&C!**
January 14-19



Registration will be January 8th and 9th. Look for an email for online registration. Registration will be done by lottery this year. The cast will be made up of 1st through 5th graders; there are spots for 60 students. The cost will be about \$40 per child, with scholarships available thanks to the generosity of the Washington Foundation and the PTA. Specific details will be included in the registration email.

Questions: Contact Kylie Barnes at Barnes.fam@hotmail.com

The Giving Tree Was A Tremendous Success!

Twenty-three L&C families benefited from your generosity. These families are incredibly grateful to have many needs and wishes fulfilled. So very many of you took part in this outpouring of generosity and support. Be sure to look on the PTA bulletin board where the tree was located to see the thank you notes from families who received gifts.

This truly could not have been done without **all** of you!

The following deserve a special thank you for their contributions toward this great effort: classroom communities of Kathy Dungan, Natalie Griffin, Kim O'Connor and Sharon Jones; the Scheweyn family, Barrett-Catton family, Anderson family and the City of Missoula employees. A special thank you to the volunteers who filled in the gift ornaments and the elves who braved the crowds for last minute gifts (Jessica Kehoe, Alena Furlong, and Polly Becker) and Loni Koerner for wrapping.



From the Principal's Office:

Lewis and Clark Parents,

Happy New Year to all! The holiday break was a long one this year. I know students are ready to return to school and I bet parents are excited to have them return also. Lewis and



Clark staff have been in and out of the building preparing for the return of students. We are approaching mid-year and the halfway point in implementation of the ELA adopted curriculum. In all classrooms, students should now be quite familiar with the DAILY 5 structure in the daily 90 minute ELA block in each classroom. DAILY 5 includes student choice within Read to Self, Read to Someone, Listen to Reading, Word Work, and Work on Writing. Classrooms will review this structure as we continue developing students' independent stamina during the ELA block. All classrooms continue to implement the MCPS board adopted ReadyGEN reading materials. These materials include core reading curriculum and intervention resources to meet a wide variety of student instructional levels. Along with the core curriculum, grade levels have implemented a common intervention time to help all students meet the district priority standards.

Along with the new reading materials, Lewis and Clark teachers will be attending training on the IRLA (Independent Reading Level Assessment Framework) This tool is a diagnostic and formative assessment tool that enables teachers to use the Common Core to establish a baseline reading level and outline a course of remediation, acceleration, or maintenance for each child.

We are excited for this piece of the ELA curriculum as it will help us determine next steps in promoting reading growth for all students.

Construction is moving along at Lewis and Clark. We have now occupied 4 new classrooms on the North end of the building, including a break out space that is being put to good use throughout the day. Work is started on the 4 classroom spaces in the North East corner of the building. The new lunchroom space is now framed and work is in full swing to get that space ready for us to use before the end of the school year. To make space available for construction, we have several temporary classrooms located in the library area. Mr. Nordtome has boxed half of the library, yet students still have a wide variety of choice for library check out. I am continually impressed with the safety priorities Dick Anderson construction adheres to as they work at our site. Many teachers and staff continue to tolerate and put on a cheerful smile as we experience unexpected construction related challenges as this work is completed in our midst.

Thank you tax-payers! None of these marvelous improvements would be possible without your support.

Please note the many school related events occurring January and February. This is a busy time of the year and you won't want to miss out on the many opportunities provided for your students

Best wishes for a happy, productive 2019, Susan Anderson

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.

**Resolved to be more
involved in 2019?**

Join us 6:30-8 pm

PTA meeting

**Tuesday, January 22nd in
the Music Room 205**



**Five on Black Fundraiser—
February 5th**

**Learning with Disabilities
class for parents—February
5th at Chief Charlo**

**Family Service Night at the
MISSOULA FOOD BANK—
February 21st 6-7:30 pm**

**The Annual L&C Beach Hop
is coming
March 1st!**



EAST

**(Enrichment and Academic
Support Team)**

Returns February 5th

The spring session of EAST will run **Feb. 5th-28th** on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, directly after school. Students may sign up for one class.

Look for class descriptions and registration information soon.



**LEWIS & CLARK
E.A.S.T.
ENRICHMENT & ACADEMIC SUPPORT TEAM**

**Instructor greeters and
classroom sweepers needed!**

Please contact Lisa Hayhurst to inquire about this fun volunteer opportunity. Call 546-6002 or frclewis@mcps.k12.mt.us

Help Wanted!

Silent Auction lead— Be a leader of one of the biggest fundraising events all year!

No prior experience necessary. Names & items donated in previous years gives you a head start!

Silent Auction Closers - Help process winners of the silent auction the night of the Sock Hop

***Contact Alissa, PTA president—
raschumacher08@gmail.com***



NOTED by Ms. Morrison, L&C Music Teacher

The second Peace Choir Season starts January 22, 2019 (Tuesday right after MLK Holiday) and will meet Tuesday mornings 8-8:25 through March 19, 2019. We invite all returning singers to join us again and any *new* 1st-5th grade singers are welcome! For questions or more information contact Ms. Morrison at domorrison@mcps.k12.mt.us or 728-2400 x4377



Lost and Lost

Forever...

Items Displayed

Jan. 28th -Feb. 1st

Please remember the power of a Sharpie & write names in all clothing items! Items with legible names will be returned to your child!

Items not claimed by the end of the school day Friday, February 1st. will become part of the FRC inventory or be donated to Bethel Community Church for their free clothes closet, open to all every Tuesday from 10:00-2:00.

A Good Meal Supports Lewis and Clark!

Tuesday, February 5th - *Five on Black*

Please join us for a fundraiser at the Brazilian Grill *Five on Black* to support our kids and teachers through the Lewis and Clark PTA.

Come in to either Five on Black on Tuesday, February 5th, between 3:00-8:00pm. Mention you are eating in support of Lewis and Clark to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to L & C PTA.



The Lifelong Learning Center partners with Families First to provide training in MCPS Elementary and Middle Schools. Call Families First at 721-7690 to register for the free classes. www.childrensmuseummissoula.org

Smoother Mornings- Wed., Jan. 16 6-8 pm (Chief Charlo) Morning time is often filled with stress. Parents are trying to get everyone out of the house on time and children often have a different agenda. Children can and need to be part of the solution. When children are involved in establishing the morning routine they are more invested in making it work. Children can be capable of managing their time and being helpful. In this class we will discuss tools for setting clear expectations, maintaining consistency, and practical strategies to get out the door on time each day. The class is intended for adults only. Child care is not available at the school during class, so please make other arrangements to get the most out of this class.

Helping Kids Cope with Learning Disabilities- Tues., Feb. 5 6-8 pm (Lewis & Clark)

Does your child have a learning disability? What is going on in your child's brain that makes learning so hard? Is this something the child can grow out of or overcome? What can you expect for your child's future? Join us for this class to talk more about what you can do now- after the diagnosis. Child care for this class is being generously offered by the Lewis and Clark Family Resource staff. Child care arrangements must be made through the school. Please call 728-2400 ext. 4355 to make arrangements in advance.

Inquiry Corner with Kari Henderson



In the PYP, students learn about significant concepts through units of inquiry. The six transdisciplinary themes that guide units of inquiry and compose a year of study are:

- Who we are
- Where we are in place and time
- How we express ourselves
- How the world works
- How we organize ourselves
- Sharing the planet

Units of inquiry interweave subject areas such as mathematics, language arts, science and social studies. This approach encourages students to make their own connections between what they learn in core subject areas and how it relates to the world around them.



Morning Movement: Get moving with Mrs. O'Connor and Mrs. Winter on Wed & Thurs Mornings: January 23—March 21.

RUNNING CLUB

Wednesdays Thru March 20th

8:00-8:25
in the
gym



CREATIVE MOVEMENT

Thursdays Thru March 21st

8:00-8:25 AM in the GYM



Check out
Let's Move! Missoula at:
www.5210missoula.com

Get ideas for building
healthy kids and lifestyle.
See the free, fun winter
activities on page 8!



Lewis and Clark Elementary School

PTA officers—2018-2019

President: Alissa Schumacher— raschumacher08@gmail.com

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Family Resource Center January Wish List



Boys and Girls Snow boots: sizes 5, 6, 7, 8 (Big sizes!)

Girls Leggings—sizes 5-14

Girls Long Sleeve Shirts—sizes 6-14

Snowpants: sizes 10/12, 14/16

Granola Bars and Healthy Snacks!!

Family Resource Specialists

Tracey Cravy and Lisa Hayhurst

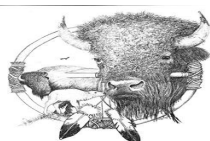
frclewis@mcps.k12.mt.us

Hours:

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

Join the Indian Education Department Sunday Fundays

When: Sundays, January 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
February 10th and 24th



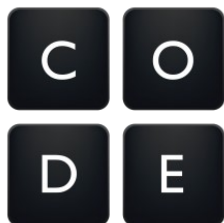
1:00—3:00 pm

Where: CS Porter Middle School

The FRC wishes to express its appreciation to these families:

Franzon/Grady, Monahan, Ogg, Paoli and anonymous givers!

Many children are warmer and drier because of your generous donations of clothes and winter gear!



Many thanks to everyone who made the 2018 Hour of Code such a success! 109 students in grades 2-5 attended!

Special thanks go to Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Nordtome, Lisa Hayhurst, Tracey Cravy, Kari Henderson, and volunteers Melissa Barba, Polly Becker, Dave Bell, Monica Roscoe, Tracy Dahl, and Curtis Thompson. Thank you to the PTA and FRC for providing healthy and much-appreciated snacks!! A special thank you to parent volunteer and program coordinator again this year, Kathryn Grady. If you know parents or teachers at other Missoula schools that would be interested in organizing Hour of Code workshops at their schools, have them contact parent volunteer Kathryn Grady at kaymgrady@gmail.com. She's happy to show others how easy and fun all of this is!

Super Bowl Food Drive to Benefit the Missoula Food Bank January 25th – February 1st



Cast your vote for your favorite Super Bowl team by donating non-perishable food items.



Organized by the Lynx Service Club (LSC)
Look for more details as the Super Bowl approaches!

Counselor's Corner: A Note from Ms. Myers

For the next few months, we will be putting a focus on **RESPECT** at Lewis and Clark. Classrooms will be talking about what respect looks like and sounds like and feels like.

Students will be taking note of times they were respectful of each other and also when someone was respectful to them. We'll be showcasing these notes in a main hallway so that kids can get some recognition for their positive behavior. One student a week will be selected to appear on the morning announcements as a special guest.

Join us on our mission to increase respectful behavior! When your child shows respectful behavior, name it and tell them what you noticed, what you thought, and how you feel.

Linsey Myers
School Counselor
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Thirty Thursday Be Buck Award!

January 24th—Twister Time

Sessions run from 2:00-2:25 on Thursdays, once a month. 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.



Did you know L&C collects BoxTop\$? There is a collection box at the front office.

You can also earn money for Lewis & Clark at **Good Food Store**. Simply write Lewis & Clark on the top of the receipt and give back to the cashier or set up a scrip account at the **Good Food Store** at customer service.



Name _____



LET'S MOVE!
MISSOULA

www.5210missoula.com



25 WINTER FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES—ON A BUDGET!



**5 Fruits
& Veggies**



**2 Hours or Less
of Screen time**



**1 Hour or More of
Physical Activity**



**0 Sugary
Sweetened
Beverages**



Wild

Make "ants on a log" with celery, peanut butter, and raisins.	Check out a Holiday book from the library.	Pick one activity from the 5210 calendar at 5210Missoula.com.	Drink a glass of water with each meal.	Draw a "Go Griz" banner for your window.
Make homemade applesauce - serve warm!	Turn off screens for one whole Sunday!	Take a family walk to the park and make snow angels.	Add some fruit to your water like berries, cucumbers, or limes.	Build a snowman in your front yard for neighbors to enjoy.
Have a family picnic in your living room. Have one fruit and one vegetable.	Create paper snowflakes and hang in your window.	Build a snow fort.	Try skim milk instead of whole milk.	Play board games on a Friday night.
Make a warm vegetable chili.	Make Holiday greeting cards for friends and neighbors.	Go to your favorite hill and sled with friends.	Drink a cup of warm, non-sweetened tea.	Try no screens (TV/phones/ video games) for two nights. Parents too!
Try a new vegetable such as winter squash or cauliflower.	Visit the EmPower Place or Spectrum and learn about science.	Create a 10 minute fitness challenge to do inside (jumping jacks dance-off).	Go one weekend without any soda, juice, or sports drink.	Visit Greenough Park and discover a winter wonderland.

United Way of
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December 2018

Sponsored by PacificaSource Health Plans

LSC Raises Money To Raise Hopes!

In December, LSC (Lynx Service Club) worked on the Missoula Peace Tree Project. We folded over 800 peace tree cranes, which took 50 hours. Our tree was displayed downtown during the Festival of Trees. Our tree WON the People's choice award. How cool!!! We collected \$1800.00 in donations and it was all auctioned off.

LSC is thankful for the opportunity to help raise money for our Missoula community and Make-A-Wish foundation.

