

# LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## OCTOBER 2024

# PTA NEWSLETTER

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Lincoln Community!

September was a fun filled month as we celebrated for the first time National Arts in Education Week, had our **First PTA meeting of the year**, and came together as a community for a picnic and movie night.

At the PTA meeting Lincoln's very own **Ali Cherry** was our special guest speaker. She spoke about how PTA funds go right back into the school to support the students and staff. From field trip transportation and scholarships, to classroom supplies, to assemblies, the list goes on and on.

We are excited to be teaming up with **Yamagami's Garden Center** again this year to host our annual **Lincoln Pumpkin Patch on October 18th**. Without their generous support we wouldn't be able to make this event happen. Each classroom will visit the patch during the course of the day and every student will be able to choose a pumpkin to take home. Find out how you can help on Konstella.

On **October 24th at 8:15am**, please join Principal Conner for **Principal's Coffee** where you will get to hear about the new school-wide PBIS system. Also, a personnel from the district will be present to talk about Measure Z on the upcoming ballot in November, and its impact on our schools.

Lastly, we wanted to share with the community that we are starting a refresh project on the **Lincoln Reading Garden**. Over the next few weeks we are going to be bringing in new planters, laying new gravel, and putting in new plants. A big thank you to our **garden chair Brittany Lambert and Yamagami's Garden Center** for helping oversee this fun project.

Looking forward to more community engagement in October. - Faith

### SEPTEMBER PTA NEWS

★ **Arts in Education Week** was September 9-13 which saw our student community gather to create beautiful art including their own interpretations of Van Gogh's *Starry Night*.

Next up in September was the **First Hungry Leopards** event of the year which brought sales of \$1300 for Local Kitchens and raised \$265 for Lincoln PTA! Thank you for your participation and support!

♥ The **Room Parents Meeting** got all of our amazing room parents to the MP room for an annual planning session. If you have ever wondered how the PTA helps each classroom, talk to your wonderful room parent(s)!

The biggest social event of September was the **Picnic & Movie** event that brought the Lincoln Community out onto the greens on that warm Fall day - students and families enjoyed a variety of yummys, including pizza, popcorn and cotton candy as they hung out and watched the movie **"Finding Dory"**. A big *thank you* to **Diya Datta and Shay Yao-Wang** for organizing this event and to all the volunteers who helped make the event a success.

### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

If you have fundraising experience, want to make a meaningful contribution to the school or just love reading, please consider signing up to chair the **Read-a-thon**. Email us at [LincolnCupertinoPtaPresident@gmail.com](mailto:LincolnCupertinoPtaPresident@gmail.com)

### VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

**"Volunteering is not just giving your time; it's investing in the future you want to see."** powerful words from **Helen Lin**, long time Lincoln volunteer, parent of a 4th grader at Lincoln and 2 more in Kennedy now. Helen attended her first PTA meeting virtually, during the pandemic. It was then that she had a chance to experience the dedication and energy of the PTA inspiring her to contribute more actively. Three years ago, Helen was instrumental in rolling out Konstella to our community, making community communication more accessible and stream lined. She has since been the co-admin for it, posting important information, and scanning Lincoln Calendar to populate Konstella Calendar, providing our community with as much useful info as possible. Over the years, Helen has worn several hats - *volunteering in art class, computer lab, Lego club, being room parent, yard duty, valet, reading for Project Cornerstone*. She has also held key roles on the PTA - *Communications, Auditor, Audit Committee and chairing different events including Pumpkin Auction, Book Fair and Read-a-thon and so many more!* If there is one person the Lincoln Community can't do without, that is Helen. From the bottom of our hearts - thank you.

### JOIN THE PTA

By becoming a PTA member, you'll be demonstrating to your child the importance you place on education. **Together we can do so much!**

### CONNECT WITH US

Konstella  
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### PROJECT CORNERSTONE

This month, we will read one of two books by **Carol McCloud: Have You Filled a Bucket Today? or Buckets, Dippers, and Lids**. These books use the idea of invisible buckets to show how our actions affect ourselves and others. Kind words and helpful deeds fill people's buckets with happiness, while mean words and actions dip from their buckets and make them sad. This concept promotes positive relationships and fosters a sense of belonging, creating a foundation for children to feel valued and supported. Ask your child bucket-filling words and phrases, such as, "How did you fill someone's bucket today?" or "Whose bucket will you try to fill tomorrow?" to help create a caring school environment together! *Also, mark your calendars for Ruby Bridges Walk to School Day on November 14th! More information coming!*

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 14 Reflections Submission Deadline
- Oct 16 Hungry Leopards at Tasty Pizza
- Oct 18 Lincoln Pumpkin Patch
- Oct 21-25 Red Ribbon Week
- Oct 24 Principal's Coffee at 8:15am



### Arts in Education Week



### Room Parent Meeting



### Picnic+Movie



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