



February Report to the Board of Education
Lincoln Elementary School
Debra Zueck, principal

‘Be a Part of the Pride’

Enrollment:

Grade 3:	94
Grade 4:	102
Grade 5:	93
Total:	289

Grandparent BINGO: One Hundred-Ninety-six (196) grandparents joined their 3rd-4th-5th grade grandchild-grandchildren for BINGO on Friday, February 10th. The event was planned by our Title department and all grandparents had a great time spending this time with their grandchild-grandchildren or borrowed grandchild.

Abraham Presidential Library and Museum: Fifth grade students had the opportunity to travel to Springfield, IL on Friday, February 3rd to visit the Abraham Presidential Library and Museum. During the month of February there is no student charge for students attending the facility. Thanks to Mrs. Berner for the planning and fifth grade team for giving our students this experience. (Please see attached letter from Genevieve Kaplan: Director of Education)

Law Enforcement Safety Drill: Students participated in our annual Active Shooter-Lock-Down drill with local law enforcement on Thursday, February 16 at 9 a.m. PPD walked into the building announcing we are in lock down. Staff took the practice precautions to maintain a calm-safe secure building. The PPD and I commend the staff and students on a job well done!

Miles of Smiles hosted the **Mobile Dentist** on Wednesday, February 22nd. The hosting brings preventive dental care services to our school because we know how important good oral health is to our children’s overall general health. This mini-dental office provides an exam, cleaning, fluoride treatments, and sealants (if necessary) for those who signed up during registration or who return permission slips to the office prior to the hosting date.

Bowling: (PBIS) Students had the opportunity to spend 1 hour at the Pana Bowl on their designated days of March 14 & 15. A ticket was 100 points which was purchased with 100 tally marks in conjunction with the PBIS program.

Time for Kids: Students will have the opportunity to participate in receiving a **free** year long subscription to ‘**Time for Kids**’ which is a weekly magazine featuring current event stories and geographical information from around the world. Students are encouraged to complete the booklets and return them to school.

Box Tops: Lincoln School is once again enrolled in the Big G Box Tops for Education program for the second semester. Students are doing well bringing in the box tops and are encouraged to continue to save the box tops from cereal, Yoplait Yogurt products, Pillsbury, Betty Crocker, Old El Paso and Ziploc. The program will pay 10 cents per qualifying box top and the school benefits from this program. Thanks to **Lana**. for taking care of the box top program.

So Many Exciting, Learning Experiences are Happening at Lincoln School and the students are generated by their accomplishments:

Owl Pellets: Fifth grade science classes spent a lab dissecting owl pellets. Students dissected pellet and examined bones, hair, and teeth. They sorted and recorded the findings and answered several questions that pertain to the pellet. This is a favorite among the students!

Language Arts: Students in grade 5 language arts classes will have the opportunity to participate in the **Modern Woodmen of America's School Speech Contest**. The topic for the 2017 School Speech Contest is 'What does it mean to be a hero?'. Students are assigned to speak about what it means to be a hero. Thanks to Mrs. Maziarz for coordinating this valuable experience.

Language Arts in not the ONLY class that Lincoln School writes in: Students in Mrs. Schaefer's fourth grade art classes are spending time with creative writing. Students are responsible for drawing a self portrait with an object in hand that means a lot to them. As I stop in the 4th grade art classes and observe the creativity and the items that were chosen by the students with the attached writing...some make me smile and some make your heart ache... **Job Well Done Mrs. Schaefer and 4th Grade students!**



ABRAHAM LINCOLN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM
EDUCATION

February 7, 2017

Lincoln Elementary School
Attention: Ms. Deb Zueck, Principal
614 E. 2nd St.
Pana, IL 62557

Dear Ms. Zueck,

I am writing regarding your school's recent visit to the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum on February 3, 2017. We simply wanted to inform you that we were delighted with your students throughout their visit. Several of our staff and volunteers commented on how well-behaved and courteous the students were during their tour. The staff and volunteers also found the chaperones/teachers to be well-prepared and most vigilant in overseeing their groups. It was a pleasure to host your group.

In this day and age where we so often hear only about the negative behavior of our children, we wanted to let you know about the positive behavior we experienced with your group. Please pass our compliments on to the students and the teachers. We hope they all enjoyed their visit with us and that your school will return again to the Museum in the near future.

Sincerely,

Genevieve Kaplan
Director of Education
Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum