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To: Lincoln School Families

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RE: Reading Programs - Monarch and Bluestem/Reading Olympics

Lincoln School will be participating in the Monarch Award Challenge (K-2) and the Bluestem Challenge/Reading Olympics (3rd-4th).

Your students have now all been introduced to the programs and how it will work. Here is a quick synopsis for you.

Monarch Challenge - Kindergarten, First, and Second grades

- * 20 books on the list
- * must read 5 books to vote
- * reading log has been handed out - please keep safe over the next few months
- * have until March 1st, 2017 to read the books
- * fill in the date read for credit
- * turn reading log into library
- * Extra Challenge - if a student reads all 20 books, they will be invited to a lunch party in March
- * books can be checked out from Lincoln library or public library (they will have a section for Monarch books)

Bluestem Challenge / Reading Olympics - Third and Fourth grades

- * 15 books on the list
- * must read 6 books to vote
- * reading logs have been handed out - please keep safe over the next few months
- * have until march 1st, 2017 to read the books
- * have parent initial that they read the book
- * turn reading log into library
- * Extra Challenge - read all 15 books and be invited to a lunch party in March
- * books can be checked out from Lincoln library or public library

These programs are wonderful for many reasons. One, these books have been chosen by a committee of dedicated librarians who read through tons of submissions to narrow it down to a short list. Two, it gives students the opportunity to read books that they might normally not be drawn to. Three, it's a great incentive to keep reading!

I am attaching the two forms in case your student misplaces their reading log.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Mrs. Brauweiler
Lincoln Librarian