

**4th Grade families,**

It's hard to believe we are entering your kids' final days at Lincoln School. They've had quite a journey since starting kindergarten in the Fall of 2016. Just the other day, I was flipping through some yearbooks from their early days at Lincoln. Wow, how they've grown up!

In any "typical" school year there would be much fanfare and community gatherings planned to celebrate our 4th graders. Unfortunately, due to many of the continued Covid-19 mitigations, many of those traditional 4th grade events including Maypole, drumming, and 4th grade breakfast are unable to take place again this year. However, we've done our best to get creative and to make your kids final days at Lincoln as memorable as possible. Below you'll find a brief summary of some of the ways we are celebrating the Lincoln School Class of 2021. Remote students are invited to participate in any/all of these activities. Please just coordinate with your child's teacher.

**Then and Now Photos:**

For the past month, 4th graders have been sharing 'Then and Now' photos that have been included on the daily "Mr. Godfrey's Morning Message." It's not too late to share your kids pictures from Kindergarten and 4th grade. Feel free to share them with me on Seesaw, email or text.

**Field Day:**

On Thursday, June 10, Lincoln will hold a "Covid-Style" Field Day. This event will be for students and school personnel only.

**T-Shirts:**

4th Grade Lincoln T-shirts will be distributed and worn by the 4th graders on Friday, June 11.

**4th Grade Picnic:**

On Friday, June 11, 4th graders will take a short walking Field Trip to Keystone park for a 4th grade picnic. Due to Covid protocols, this event will be for 4th graders and school personnel only. Masks and physical distancing will be honored. A rain date has been set for Wednesday, June 9.

**Clap-Out:**

We will hold a Lincoln School student only Clap-Out indoors at the end of the day on June 11 right at dismissal. 4th graders will walk the halls of Lincoln one last time being "Clapped Out".

#### **Green4Good Planting:**

In conjunction with our Green4Good committee, we've purchased a native plant for each 4th grader that they will be planting next week on the Lincoln School grounds.

#### **Music Performance:**

Ms. Mann has been working with our 4th graders preparing a special music performance that will be shared virtually with all families.

#### **Slide Show:**

The traditional 4th grade slideshow, composed of photos that 4th grade families have been sharing, will be viewed by the 4th graders on Friday, June 11. The link will also be shared with families afterward.

#### **Mr. Garstki-Ms. Steketee:**

On Thursday, May 27, Roosevelt Middle School Principal, Mr. Garstki, and Assistant Principal, Ms. Steketee, will be visiting the classrooms at Lincoln to meet with the 4th graders and answer their questions about life at Roosevelt!

#### **Flip Grid Transition:**

The current 5th graders and teachers at Roosevelt are creating Flip Grid videos that will be shared with our 4th graders.

#### **4th Grade Band and Orchestra Performance:**

Mr. Hufnus and Ms. Minish have been working to prepare our 4th grade band and orchestra students for a performance that will be recorded on Wednesday, June 2.

Much like the past five years, the next fifteen days will undoubtedly come and go at a rapid pace. It's been a humbling honor to have played a small part in your kids' journey through Lincoln over the past five years. I look forward to making the most of your kids' final days and hopefully seeing you around town in the days to come.

**As always, thank you for your continued support of Lincoln. Happy  
“almost” Summer. CG**