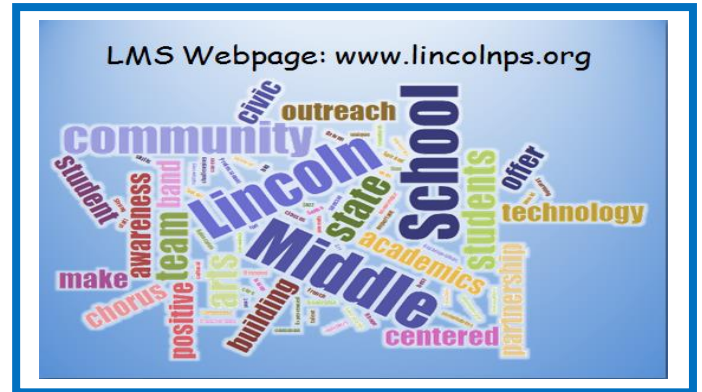


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December 2016 was a very busy and celebratory month at Lincoln Middle School. Along with the students working hard in their academic pursuits and clubs, the students and teachers were involved in the community service projects such as HoopFest, raising money for families in need, and Team 5's apple pie making for the Lincoln Senior Center. The students were able to show off their musical skills in the Holiday chorus and band concerts and athletically, through LMS' winter sports teams. Additionally, LMS was awarded \$100,000 from the prestigious Champlin Grant to develop our LMS NewsCasters media programming for the 2017-18 school year and Sue Johnson, technology teacher, was awarded a \$300.00 Fresh Films Technology Grant! Below, please find several of the December 2016 LMS highlights!

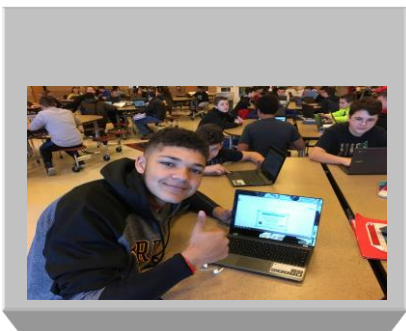
Hour of Code:

We live in a world surrounded by technology. And we know that whatever field our students choose to go into as adults, their ability to succeed will increasingly depend on understanding how technology works.

However, only a fraction of us are learning how technology works. Fewer than half of all schools teach computer science.

This is why LMS Joined the largest learning event in history: The Hour of Code, during Computer Science Education Week, (December 5- 11). More than 100 million students worldwide tried an Hour of Code.

Our Hour of Code is making a statement that Lincoln Middle School is teaching these foundational 21st century skills. – Susan Johnson, LMS Technology Teacher



HoopFest:

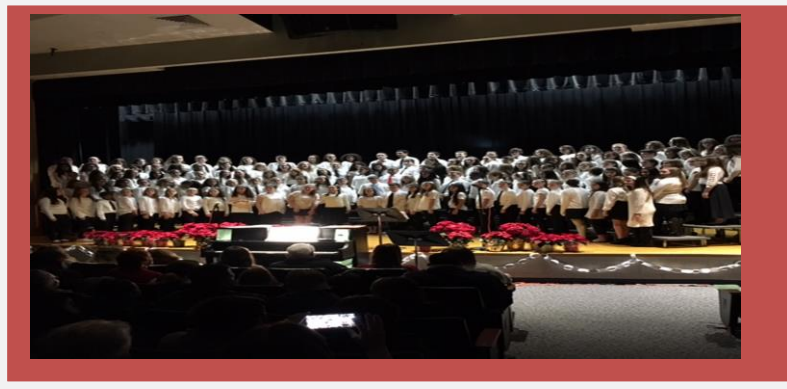
An exciting fundraising event when LMS teachers and the LMS girls and boys basketball players compete in front of LMS' filled gymnasium to earn money for families in need at the Holiday time. This year LMS raised \$1,853.91 for Adopt a Family. Great job! Thank you Jon Bruckner for organizing this event once again and all of the faculty and students that were a part of the event!



Holiday Concerts:

Chorus:

The LMS 6th, 7th and 8th grade chorus students brought us into the Holiday spirit on the evening of December 8th with whole group songs and solo opportunities. Thank you to Jean Birrell, LMS Chorus Teacher for all of your expertise! The students were spectacular!



Band:

Thank you to Tom Casale, Band Teacher for your fine instruction of the LMS students on a variety of instruments. Their talent showed at both concerts during the evenings of December 14th and 15th. The students performed a number of solos and in a whole band format.

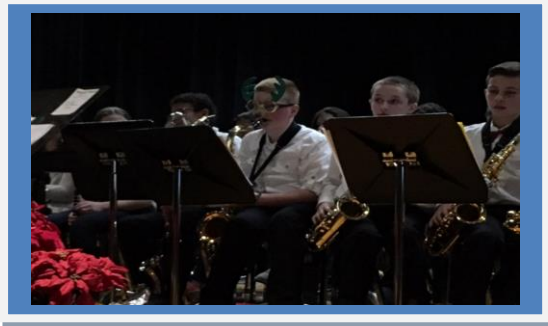
6th grade Band



7th Grade Band



Jazz Band

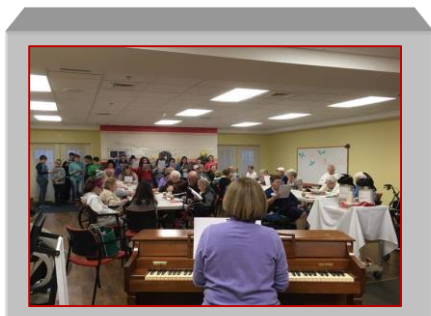


8th Grade Advanced Band



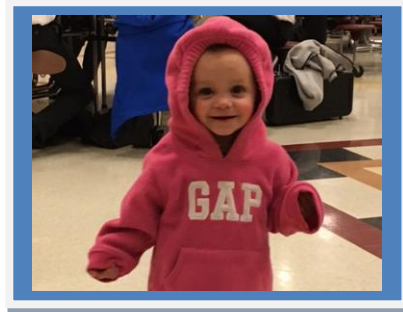
Student Council:

The LMS student council spread Holiday cheer at the Atria after school on Friday, December 16th. According to Joyce Burlingame, co-student council advisor, “the kids were AWESOMELY WONDERFUL!!!!”. They students (and advisors) sang 17 carols and the kids also served cookies and hot chocolate to the residents. Then they enjoyed treats after singing! Thank you to the student council members for spreading Holiday cheer and thank you to the student council advisors, Krisann Paradis and Joyce Burlingame for setting up this worthwhile event!



The PACT sponsored 8th Grade Concert Café:

The 8th Grade Concert Café, a first time event, followed the Advanced and Jazz Band Concert in the LMS Cafeteria. 8th grade students served a delicious variety of desserts including red velvet cake, mixed berry tarts, Oreo mousse cake and several other tasty treats. Coffee and lemonade were also available. The monies raised are going to help defray the costs of the 8th grade Social and Celebration. Thank you PACT and 8th Grade students for making this new event successful. We look forward to hosting this event next year.



Athletics:



Girls Basketball

Coach Zeb Lopes stated:

The girls basketball team despite fine team efforts in certain games has yet to record a victory this season. We are 0-6 and have lost three games by seven points or less. We are led by Drew Swanson and Elizabeth Hein as our team captains. Drew Swanson and sixth-grader, Ahtiana Benway are our leading scorers on the team.

We recently played Segue and lost 30-25 on Thursday, January 5, 2017. We were led by Ahtiana's 11 points and Drew's six points. Our next game is scheduled for January 10th at Slater. We hope to get our first victory then.

Boys Basketball

Coach John Ryan stated:

The Lincoln Middle School Boys Basketball Team's season is in full swing. Currently, the team is 3-3 and in fourth place in the Capital Division. The boys started the season out strong with two victories, but hit a skid for a few games. Over the Winter Break, the team traveled to Chariho Middle School as a participant in the Chariho Holiday Basketball Tournament. Last week, they got back on track with a 52-25 win over Segue in Central Falls. As the second half of the season begins, the team hopes to continue to improve their record and reach the playoffs.

Wrestling

Coach Damian Perrotta stated:

The wrestling team is off to a great start so far this year with a record of 3-0. This record reflects their handwork in practice as well as their dedication to the team. One of our victories against EWG was a nail biter. It came down to the last match and our 8th grade captain, Christian Balon, got the job done. He won his match in a decision of 5-2. This win gave our team 3 points to help defeat EWG with a narrow 33-30 victory. At the Birchwood Wrestling Tournament each and every one of our wrestlers represented Lincoln Middle School exceptionally well both on and off the mat. Each wrestler gave 110% effort out on the mat and showed the utmost sportsmanship whether they had won or lost. As Lincoln Middle School Wrestling hits the pinnacle of its season in the upcoming weeks, we can expect nothing but continued success do to each of the wrestlers great work ethic.

Please find all calendar information on our website calendar and as they are posted in our morning announcements also listed on the LMS website: www.lincolnps.org/middleschool/ .

Thank you everyone that provided input in this month's LMS Showcase!

Respectfully Submitted: Heidi Godowski, Principal, January 9, 2016