



LIBERTY ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

February 2019

C.L.A.S.S. LifeSkills for February: Problem Solving & Resourcefulness

eLearning Day!

All Union County Schools will be having an eLearning day on February 18th. School will not be in session, but by making this an eLearning day, we will be able to use it as a snow make-up day. More details will be coming home very soon.

PTO Rada Cutlery Sale Fund Raiser

PTO is raising money to purchase another piece of playground equipment. Rada Cutlery catalogs were sent home a few weeks ago. **Order forms are due this Friday, February 8th.** Online orders are also available at the following link:
<https://radafundraising.com/?rfsn=808439.82eb5> Please call the school office if you have any questions.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 6 K & 1st Gr. Play Day
- Feb 6 IMPACT Ambassadors Mtg. 3:30
- Feb 8 eLearning Practice day
- Feb 8 2nd Gr to Civic Theater
- Feb 8 Rada Orders due
- Feb 11 UCCCJSD Board mtg. 7:00
- Feb 12 COSI Camp In Parent Mtg 6:30
- Feb 15 Yearbook Orders Due
- Feb 18 School NOT in Session- eLearning Day

- Feb 21 Math Bowl Competition
- Feb 22 Jump Rope for Heart Day
- Feb 25 Specials schedule changes

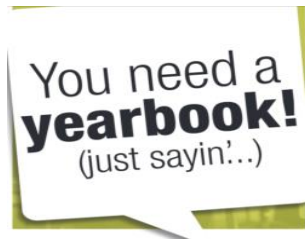
Key Academic Ideas For Parents From the IN Standards

- THINKING DEEPLY: The Indiana Academic Standards emphasize critical thinking. It requires students to analyze more, discuss more, justify more and explain their thinking and understanding, both verbally and in writing.
- ***Take-Away: Really thinking deeply is hard. Let it BE hard, and help students talk it out and explain their thinking.***
- INTEGRATING LEARNING: The Indiana Academic Standards emphasize learning across disciplines (Ex: reading with math and social studies standards combined into one task). Students spend more time working together with different settings, structures and tools.
- ***Take-Away: Problems and solutions happen every day in the real world. Students need to use what they've learned in all their classes to explain their line of thought.***
- SHOW HOW THEY KNOW: The Indiana Academic Standards emphasize proof and evidence.
- ***Take-Away: Students will be required to EXPLAIN HOW they know something. They will be***

required to use evidence from text to support their answers.

Yearbooks Are Coming!

Yearbook order forms were sent home on January 25th. Order forms will offer several different options for purchasing. You still can get the basic yearbook for only \$15.00. All yearbook orders will be due by February 15th.



- 2nd: + and - (0-20)
- 3rd: +, - and X
- 4th: x and division
- 5th: x and division

The end goal is for every child to leave LES being fluent in all their math facts! We ask that parents take just a few minutes each day (in the car, during commercials, standing in the check-out line, at the dinner table, etc.) to ask your child a few of his or her math facts. The facts are considered mastered when they are answered automatically- that's what fluency is. We would greatly appreciate parents joining us in this effort to improve our students' math fluency.



MIDTERM GRADE REPORTS

The school will not be sending home midterm grade reports. Parents can go on to Power School to check their child's grades at any time. If you do not have the Power School app or have internet access, and you would like a paper copy of your child's grades, please let the office know. We will send a paper copy home.

MATH

One of our school improvement goals for this year focuses on math skills and fact fluency. Each grade level is responsible for mastering certain facts. The following list shows the facts your child is responsible for mastering:

- Kindergarten: + & - (0-5)
- 1st: + and - (0-10)

**Don't forget to save your
Box Tops for our school!**

