



Liberty Elementary Newsletter

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C.L.A.S.S. LifeSkills for January: Courage & Common Sense

TIPS FOR PARENTS: Help Build Your Child's Reading Skills

Listed below are some general suggestions for things that parents can do to help support the reading growth of their children. If you do some of them regularly in a motivating and supportive way, they will help your child make faster progress in learning to read. Many of these activities, such as those that build vocabulary and teach children to think while they read, will also help your child ultimately be a much better reader than he or she might otherwise become.

1. Create a special workspace and schedule daily quiet time for your child to do his/her homework from school.
2. Schedule 10 minutes of special time every day to listen to your child read, or talk with your child about what they are reading or about what you are reading.
3. Go to the public library or even a local bookstore once each week and read a new book together. After you read each book, ask your child what the main character did or felt like at the end of the story. Ask if he/she has ever felt like the main character in the book. Why or why not?
4. Highlight or underline words that you can sound out from the day's "junk mail." Ask your child to read these words.
5. Write a note to your child, and leave it in a spot they will see, such as the bathroom mirror, lunch box or pillow. Have your child answer a question, or complete a task that indicates that they have read your note.

** From the 2009 Florida Center for Reading Research

For more ideas, check out the Indiana Department of Education's Parent Resources at:
<https://www.doe.in.gov/standards/englishlanguage-arts>

School Closing Information

A reminder that during inclement weather, our school corporation closings and delays can be seen or heard on the following stations:

- Power School SwiftK12 (Phone call)
- KICKS 96
- WLW
- TV CHANNELS 5, 9, 12, 19
- TV CHANNELS 2, 22
- www.uc.k12.in.us

If the weather begins to get bad during the school day, it would be best to listen to the radio or check the corporation's web site for the fastest updates for school dismissals.

Please update your phone numbers in Power School.

UPCOMING EVENTS

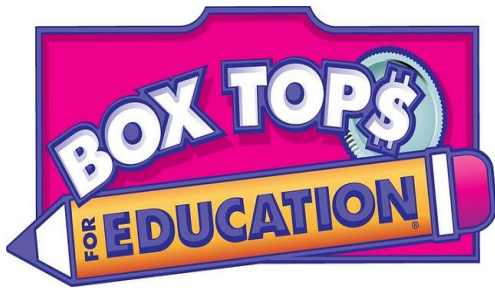
- Jan 7 Students return to school
- Jan 7 4-H visits 3rd grade
- Jan 7 mCLASS assessments begin
- Jan 9 Student Council mtg.
- Jan 10 PTO Mtg. 6:30pm in A-400
- Jan 11 Report Cards go home
- Jan 14 UCCCJS Board mtg. 7:00
- Jan 21 Snow Makeup Day- School in Session
- Jan 27 Robotics Competition-UCMS
- Feb 1 Kindergarten Super Bowl

Report Card Changes

Information was sent home earlier, but this a reminder that the grade scale for E, S, N and U has been changed. This is for Grades 1-5 and Specials. The new grade scale is as follows:

- E 89.5 - 100%
- S+79.5 - 89%
- S 69.5 - 79%
- N – 59.5 - 69%
- U – 0 - 59%

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



MATH FACTS

Has your child memorized the math facts for their grade level? Please make this a priority, and help your student achieve better math success.

