

FAMILY TIMES

JENNY LIND SCHOOL

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FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT

The holidays are fast approaching and it's time for our Fall Family Fun night. It will be on Tuesday, **November 22 from 5:00-7:00 PM** in the GYM with bingo for adults, win a prize or a turkey.



ALL children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult. There will be children's games, face painting and kiddie Bingo in the lunch room with prizes. Come out for an evening of family fun!



Delon Smith
Principal



Elizabeth Corris
Assistant Principal

MONTHLY CHARACTER TRAIT

Jenny Lind will be focusing on the character trait of gratitude for the month of November. Gratitude means not only being thankful, but also the ability to show appreciation and return kindness. We all have something to be grateful for. Activities and conversations about gratitude will take place in our classrooms though out the month, and we encourage you to continue these conversations with your child at home. Here are a few questions to get the conversation started: How did you help someone today? What is your favorite thing to do with your siblings? What are you thankful for in nature? What is your favorite part about your home?



PTO NEWS *JENNY LIND ALL STAR PARENTS PTO*



Carolyn Conard
President

We would love to have you join our PTO. The PTO will have our next meeting on **Thursday, November 10, at 8:45 A.M.**, in the conference room. **WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION.** In the past our PTO has provided storytellers, speakers, dance costumes, and funds for special events. Share your input on things you might like to see happening at Jenny Lind during the 2016-2017 school year. Come and meet other parents, enjoy refreshments! ***PLEASE join us, everyone is welcome. RSVP to Loretta Minet at 612-668-2025.***

VOTING

Don't forget to vote on Nov. 8. For information on your polling place, visit vote.minneapolismn.gov. Minneapolis voters will be asked to renew the school district's current operating referendum authorization, which expires after the 2016-17 school year. If passed, funding would help Minneapolis Public Schools manage class sizes and provide supportive services and activities for students. Property taxes are not projected to increase if the referendum renewal passes. Learn more here: www.mpls.k12.mn.us/referendum2016.



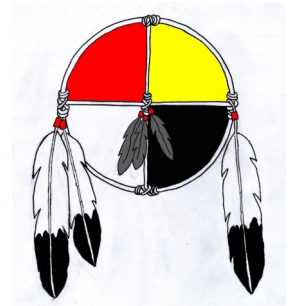
PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY



Monday, November 7th is picture re-take day. Students are not required to wear uniforms on picture re-take day. .

NATIVE AMERICAN PARENT INVOLVEMENT DAY

Parents and Family members are invited to join us on Thursday, November 17 for Native American Parent Involvement Day. Come in and visit your child's classroom, have lunch with your child. Lunches are \$3.50 (exact change only)



NURSES NOTES

What action can I take to help prevent the flu?

The CDC recommends a yearly flu vaccine for everyone 6 months of age and older as an important step in helping to protect against flu viruses.

But it's also important to understand that you have a choice when it comes to **flu vaccines**. The 3-strain flu vaccine only covers 3 strains of the influenza virus, but the 4-strain vaccine covers an additional strain. That means you may get **broader coverage** against the flu with the **4-strain flu vaccine**. **Choose More. Choose Four.**

What are symptoms of the flu?

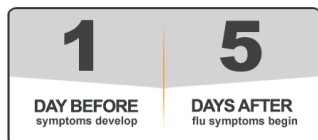
The flu may impact each person differently, but *typical symptoms* include: *high fever, aching muscles, sore throat, dry cough, runny or stuffy nose, headache, vomiting, and diarrhea*. For most people, symptoms last a few days.

How does the flu spread?

The flu is a contagious disease and **can spread quite easily** through coughing, sneezing, and nasal secretions.

When is someone contagious with the flu?

Most healthy adults may be able to infect others beginning:



Who can get the flu?

Anyone can get the flu, but **rates of infection** are **highest among children**.

If I do get the flu, are there any medications to treat it?

A doctor can prescribe antiviral medication that reduces flu symptoms and helps you to recover faster. For flu medicine to work, you must get the medicine fast: best results are seen if you get the medicine within the first 2 days of symptoms.

EAGLE BLUFF

All Grade 5 students have the opportunity to attend the Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center in Lanesboro, Minnesota January 23-25, 2017. Parents/families and student meetings will be held this fall to prepare students to go on this exciting opportunity. At Eagle Bluff, students are able to participate in rock climbing, snowshoeing, using augers to drill holes into the ices to pull water samples, evening campfires, and many other science activities to reinforce learning that will be done in grade 5 curriculum. Students and families will be participating in fundraising events to raise funds to cover costs for this exciting trip. Mr. Cross, School Social Worker and the 5th Grade Teachers will be the adults that will chaperoning the trip. Watch the Jenny Lind Facebook page for ways to help fundraise and get our students to Eagle Bluff!

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Upcoming Dates

November 3 & 4 - NO SCHOOL

November 7 - Picture re-take day

November 10 - PTO meeting

November 17—Native American Parent Involvement

Day

November 22 - FALL FAMILY FUN NIGHT

November 23, 24, 25 - Thanksgiving break

We're on the web!

<http://jennyind.mpls.k12.mn.us>

LITERACY CORNER

How can I promote reading at home?

Research has proven time and time again that the most effective way to produce a proficient reader is to **READ!** Please practice reading with your child each night. Talk about the characters, or the way an author organizes the story, maybe stop the reading mid book and write an ending, then finish the story and talk about how your ideas are different or similar to the author's ideas. I used to love reading with my kids and trying the recipes that a character loved in the story, or doing research on a favorite author.

Libraries are a wonderful, free resource to get books and expose your children to the literary world. It is also a great opportunity to support your children with picking books that are challenging but easy enough to practice skills and strategies they are working on. When students read books that are too difficult, they become frustrated, too easy, they become bored.

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