LINK TO HOME

for the Week of October 3, 2022

This Week

October 3 - 7          Week of Respect
Wednesday, October 5    LCCS Special Board Meeting (Click for details.)
Friday, October 7       Early Dismissal for students, 12:45 pm; Instructional Planning & Professional Development for Staff, 1:15pm

Important Upcoming Dates

Monday, October 10     No School: Indigenous Peoples’ Day
Thursday, October 13    Link Parent Association Kick Off Meeting and Supper, 5:30 – 7pm (See below.)

REMINDER:
Please complete the survey on the Title I School-Parent-Student Compact this week if you haven’t already done so! We really appreciate your input. Click here for the link to the survey.

WEEK OF RESPECT
The first week of October has been designated as The Week of Respect by the New Jersey State Legislature due to the tragic events that have taken place in far too many youths’ lives regarding bullying experiences. During the week of October 3 -7, our middle school students will be involved in discussions in Morning Circle and Advisory that focus on respect, prevention of bullying, and ways to build our community in positive and caring ways. Please speak with your child about respect and caring for others this week to reinforce what they will hear in school.

LINK PARENT ASSOCIATION “Wings and Welcome”
The kickoff meeting for the Link Parent Association (LPA) will be held on Thursday, October 13th at 6 pm. A light supper will be served (yes, wings!), parents will meet and greet each other, and we’ll talk about parent engagement in the association and the school. Keep your eyes on your email inbox for more information and to respond that you will attend the event.

The Link Parent Association is an organization with the goals to support the education of children at Link and to foster a close relationship between all stakeholders - administration, teachers, parents, and students. It is independent of, however greatly supported, by the school. The organization was not active during the pandemic but hopes to get up and running ASAP! In the past, the LPA has fundraised to provide special assembly programs for students, family activity nights (movie and game nights), and the 8th grade dance. Bring your ideas for the LPA on the 13th!

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES
We encourage parents of 8th graders (boys and girls) to attend an open house at St. Benedict’s Prep in Newark. They will be holding one as soon as October 15th, from 9:30am -12:30 pm. Click here to register for the open house, and to see other dates.

Also, for parents of our 8th grade girls, we urge you to attend the open house at St. Vincent
Academy in Newark. They will have two: October 5th, in-person, from 6-8 pm and October 19th, virtual, from 7-8:30pm. Click here to register for the open house, and to see other dates.

DAILY AFFIRMATIONS
Monday - I am proud of myself. / Estoy orgulloso de mi mismo.
Tuesday - I deserve to be happy. / Merezco ser feliz.
Wednesday - I am free to make my own choices, and thus I accept responsibility for my choices. / Soy libre de tomar mis propias decisiones y, por lo tanto, acepto la responsabilidad de mis elecciones.
Thursday - I deserve to be loved. / Merezco ser amado.
Friday - I can make a difference. / Puedo marcar la diferencia.

Congratulations!

to the recipients of awards for the week ending September 23, 2022!

6TH GRADE SCHOLAR OF THE WEEK AWARD – Brandon Stephenson, Team Link
6TH GRADE CORE VALUES AWARD – Elizabeth Ojo, Team Malala

5TH GRADE SCHOLAR OF THE WEEK AWARD – Abigail Flores-Torres, Team Malala
5TH GRADE CORE VALUES AWARD – Messiah Whitaker, Team Chisholm

1ST GRADE SCHOLAR OF THE WEEK AWARDS – Kyle Anderson, Team Bridges and Shekinah Hartley, Team Masih
1ST GRADE CORE VALUES AWARDS – Harper-Simone Smith, Team Bridges and Riley Folas, Team Masih

IN THE CLASSROOMS

LEARNING ABOUT HISPANIC CULTURE IN KINDERGARTEN AND GRADE 1
Mrs. Acevado, one of Link’s social workers, launched Hispanic Heritage Month with visits to the Kindergarten and 1st grade classes. She shared a story on Lima, Peru where her family emigrated with us. She wore an authentic Peruvian dress and brought interesting artifacts for students to look at. The children loved touching the llama fur! Our youngest learners really enjoyed learning about the rich and beautiful culture of Peru! Other staff members will visit our young scholars to speak about their countries of origin, including Puerto Rico and Argentina.
OCTOBER FAMILY DAYS AT THE NEWARK MUSEUM OF ART
The Museum will hold special family days on Saturdays in October – the 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th from 10 am – 5 pm. Click here for their website for details and reservations.