



# Lowell Lantern



Lowell Elementary School -



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<http://lowell.warren.k12.in.us/Lowell/>

**MONDAY IS A BLUE DAY FOR LUNCH  
AND SPECIALS**

Lunch cost for student - \$2.05 per day \*\* Extra Milk – 50 cents \*\*Lunch cost for adult - \$3.40 per day.

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! We are looking forward to a great school year. We invite parents to visit any time and to let us know if you have any concerns or questions. **YOU ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE LOWELL FAMILY!**

**WE ARE LOWELL**

Our theme at Lowell this year is "We are Lowell...this is our house!" - Civility, Order, Respect, Excellence. We are encouraging students to embrace this challenge and achieve them.

## **Week of February 13-February 17, 2017**

**Friday, February 17th is Neon Day. Wear your sunglasses and bright colors for \$1.00!!**

### **OUTSIDE RECESS**

As often as weather permits, we will go outside for recess. Therefore, it is important that the children wear apparel that will permit sufficient warmth against cooler temperatures. Children are expected to go out for recess unless they are recovering from a recent illness. Any request for extended time of staying in from recess must be accompanied with a doctor's statement.



### **Kindness and Justice Challenge January 11—February 23**

**It is that time to make the kindness connection. Lowell students will participate in the 14th Annual Kindness and Justice Challenge. Students will participate in activities that will build an understanding of how simple acts of kindness and justice make a tremendous impact on our community and world. For the next several weeks, Lowell students will create a "Kindness Tree" to be displayed in the cafeteria. Students will be encouraged to think about how we treat one another and how we must work together to make this world a better place for everyone. During the months of Jan and Feb students can bring in money for our Penny War to donate toward the Early Childhood Center, American Heart Association, and Riley Hospital. Students may bring in pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, and bills.**

**ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE...KINDNESS & JUSTICE  
CHALLENGE**



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# A Note from the Principal

Dear Lowell Families,  
 Lowell students are bringing home midterm progress reports today. Please take some time to review these over the weekend. This report allows you to see how your child is performing academically thus far this third quarter. If you have any questions, please feel free to communicate with your child's teacher.

On Tuesday, February 14, we will have classroom Valentine's Day parties at 2:30pm. If you are interested and available to help out with your child's class party, please call the front office at 532-3900. We appreciate your help!

Our 3rd & 4th graders continue to work hard to prepare for the upcoming IREAD-3 and ISTEP+ Assessments. Students will begin taking the ISTEP+ Assessment Part 1 on February 27 and continue through until March 10. Third grade students are scheduled to take IREAD-3 the week of March 13. Please try to avoid scheduling appointments during testing dates to avoid students having to make up these important assessments. We continue to support our students and encourage them in preparation for these upcoming tests. We ask that you continue to let your child know that you have confidence that he/she will do well on the assessments and encourage him/her to **WORK HARD** and do his/her **PERSONAL BEST**.

Have a great weekend! Enjoy your time with your children!  
 Mrs. Griffin

## DATES TO REMEMBER

|                         |                               |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2/13/2017               | Social health films           |
| 2/14/2017               | Valentine Party<br>2:30 pm    |
| 2/17/2017               | Neon Day/sunglasses<br>\$1.00 |
| 2/20/2017               | No school                     |
| 2/23/2017               | Math Bowl                     |
| 2/24/2017               | Dinner and Movie              |
| 2/27/2017-<br>3/10/2017 | ISTEP                         |
| 3/13-3/17/2017          | IREAD 3rd grade               |

**ISTEP+ (3rd & 4th Grade) -- Monday, February 27 - Friday, March 10**  
**IREAD-3 (3rd grade only) -- Monday, March 13 - Friday, March 17**

As you schedule doctor's appointments, please make sure to avoid these dates as these are mandatory and critical assessments that students must take. Attendance during these assessments is very important. Please note that the IREAD-3 Assessment is scheduled for the last week before our spring intersession. It will be very important that students are in school to complete that assessment through that week. Thank you for being mindful of this schedule.

I encourage parents to log onto the Indiana Department of Education ISTEP+ page. The link is: <http://www.doe.in.gov/assessment>

There is a multitude of information about the upcoming assessment. In addition, there is an "Experience" practice test that students and parents can access. This practice test allows you to see the caliber of test questions that students will experience on ISTEP+. Please take a few minutes to review this information.

One of the best ways you can support your students in preparation for the upcoming assessments is to **READ, READ, READ!** Students should read every night for up to 20-30 minutes. Ask the to summarize what they are reading, make predictions of what they think will happen next, and just talk to them about the text. One of the biggest challenges that students have when taking these assessments is stamina -- sticking with it through the end. The more students read, the more they build their stamina and ability to persevere through the assessments. If you have any questions about these upcoming assessments, please feel free to call me at 532-3901.

**4TH GRADE HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT FILMS  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017**

Human Growth and Development videos will be shown to all 4th grade students on Monday, February 13, 2017. These videos will be shown separately to present fourth grade boys and girls and led by personnel from the Social Health Association of Indiana. Following the videos, discussion will be led by personnel from the Social Health Association. Fourth grade boys will see "Just Around the Corner for Boys" and fourth grade girls will see "Just Around the Corner for Girls." **If you do not want your child to participate, please send a note prior to the date of the presentation indicating your request.**

**"ON MYWAY PREK"**

**GRANT AVAILABLE TO PARENTS**

"On my way to PreK" is the name of Indiana's first state-funded Pre-Kindergarten program. Families will have until **March 31st** to complete an application. Parents may complete an online application or a paper applications. The beginning of April is when families will find out if they have been chosen for the OMWP program. Here is the link to the Marion County application for the 2017-2018 school year.

<http://prek.carefinderindiana.org/MarionLottery/Default.aspx>

If you have any questions call the Warren Early Childhood Center Main Office at

**LOWELL LITTLE LEAGUE**

Lowell Little League in person registration dates are as follows:

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| 2/25 | 10am-12pm |
| 3/2  | 6pm-8pm   |
| 3/4  | 10am-12pm |

In person registration will be held at Southeastern Church of Christ. Online registration at:

**WWW.LOWELLLITTLELEAGUE.ORG**

Registration is \$35.00 per child and includes uniform.

We have VALENTINES DAY PARTIES fast approaching. PTA provides the cookies and juice, we are in need of parent volunteers in the class. The party is FEBRUARY 14th at 2:30pm. Parent volunteers are responsible for the hour of running the party. You may play games, do crafts, word search, there are endless ideas available. If you would like to assist please contact the office at 532-3900. We appreciate all help!!

Warren Central Wrestling Camp K-8

Fee: \$60.00

Location: WCHS Wrestling Room—Door 14, 2nd floor

**CAMP DATES/TIMES**

Monday, February 13                    6:30-7:30pm

Tuesday, February 14                   6:30-7:30pm

Wednesday, February 15                6:30-7:30pm

Thursday, February 16                   6:30-7:30pm

Tuesday, February 21                    6:30-7:30pm

Thursday, February 23                   6:00-7:30pm

Questions: WarrenWrestlingAcademy@gmail.com

Registration options:

-Online @[www.WarrenWrestlingAcademy.com](http://www.WarrenWrestlingAcademy.com)/Registration

-Monday, February 13th 5:30-6:30pm @WCHS before camp

***FAMILY FUN DAY***

Saturday, Oct 29th  
WCHS Fieldhouse (door 14)  
12-2pm

Fun activities, Food, Registration, & More!

Accepting Food& Hygiene Donations For Sonny Day Pantry

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!