



# Lowell Lantern



Lowell Elementary School -



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**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 6-February 10, 2017**

**Late start day Wednesday, February 8th. 9:30am!!!**

**Friday, February 10th is Red Day. Wear Red for Indiana Heart Association for \$1.00. Students that purchased an American Heart Tshirt does not have to pay.**

**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.



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**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**



# A Note from the Principal

Dear Lowell Families,  
Just a reminder that next Wednesday, February 8, 2017 is a LATE START DAY for our students. Buses will pick up at stops one hour later than the normal pick-up

time. Students are to arrive at school at 9:30am. They will be considered tardy if they arrive after 9:40am.

We thank you for continuing to support our Kindness and Justice Challenge! Students had a great day of learning with their stuffed animals!! Our Penny War is continuing throughout our Challenge -- thanks for allowing the students to participate in this! All money donated will go to our three organizations that we are sponsoring -- American Heart Association, Riley Hospital for Children, and Warren Early Childhood Center.

3rd & 4th Grade Parents -- ISTEP+ and IREAD-3 are coming up in just a few weeks. It is very important that students are at school every day as we continue to build upon our academic skills in preparation for these important assessments. Please be mindful of the dates for these assessments as you schedule doctor or dentist appointments for your children. It is important that students are at school every day during testing!

ISTEP+ (3rd & 4th Grade) -- Monday, February 27 - Friday, March 10

IREAD-3 (3rd Grade Only) -- Monday, March 13 - Friday, March 17

We hope you have a great weekend and enjoy your time with your children!  
Mrs. Griffin

## DATES TO REMEMBER

2/08/2017	Late Arrival 9:30am
2/9/2017	PTA meeting 5:00 pm
2/10/2017	Red Day-wear red
2/13/2017	Social health films
2/14/2017	Valentine Party 2:30 pm
2/17/2017	Neon Day/sunglasses \$1.00
2/20/2017	No school
2/23/2017	Math Bowl
2/24/2017	Dinner and Movie
2/27/2017- 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:

2/11/17 10am-12pm

2/16 6pm-8pm

2/18 10am-12pm

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!!

**January Students of the Month**

Congratulations to our students who were selected as Student of the Month for January! We are so very proud of our students for all of their hard work and effort! These students showed CORE by doing these things at school:

Showing **CIVILITY** by being courteous and kind to all those around me.

Following all rules and procedures to demonstrate **ORDER** in school.

Giving **RESPECT** to all students and teachers by listening to them and caring for them.

Modeling **EXCELLENCE** by doing and showing personal best all day every day!

Congratulations to our Students of the Month!!

