

*The best way to have a good idea is to have a lot of ideas. –*

**Dr. Linus Pauling**

# Linus Pauling Pride



## Parent Newsletter

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How time flies! We can't believe it is the end of the year and the end of our first year as administrators at Linus Pauling MS. It has been exhilarating, challenging and fun. We have been able to get to know the wonderful staff and see our talented students at work. It's been a year of learning that will help us move forward, keeping long held traditions while bringing in new ideas.

We know as adults that organizing our obligations and responsibilities is a key to success. And organization is an important skill for students at any level. This is the goal of our school wide Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) initiative. AVID's mission is to help all students become organized and as we move forward into next year one of the new tools we will be implementing with students will be *Linus Pauling Binders*.

LP Binders will be required of every student in the school. Each student will receive a three-ring binder provided by the school and students will be taught an organizational system to support their learning. Within this newsletter we have included the other supplies your student will need this next school year. Please do not buy your child a zipper binder. *The three-ring binders will be purchased by the school.*

On August 15-26, 9:00 am to noon, we will be offering Math Summer School to help students that may be struggling in math get a head start to the school year. This is an invitation only summer school and communication will go out by the end of June.

We want to thank all of our wonderful parent volunteers that partner with us in making the everyday operations of the school run smoothly. We couldn't do it without you. If you are interested in volunteering for the 2016-17 school year then please to go to the [509J website](#).

We hope you get an opportunity to spend time with your children this summer, relaxing, playing and enjoying the many great outdoor activities that our beautiful state has to offer. We'll see you in the fall.

- Alicia Ward-Satay and Darren Bland



### UPCOMING EVENTS! For JUNE, 2016

Wednesday, June 1st. 7:00 PM  
Choir Concert and Awards in the Commons.

Tuesday, June 7th. 7:00 PM  
Band Concert and Awards in the Commons

Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> – Civil War reenactors visit LPMS!

Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> - Kristy Kemper Hodge  
Youth Services Librarian, Corvallis Public Library  
In the Ava Helen Pauling Auditorium 1:15-3:30

Wednesday June 15<sup>th</sup>  
Annual LPMS Talent Show *and* the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Celebration and Dance

Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup>  
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!

*Many thanks to our wonderful parent volunteers!*

**And We Still Need Your Help!!**

IPad collection day is June 6th, 7th and 8th. The library staff would like help with the collection process. There are two hour time slots available for volunteers.

8th Grade Celebration is right around the corner and there are still a ton of openings for both volunteer needs and food donations.

Please contact Katie Slayden at [volunteerslpms@gmail.com](mailto:volunteerslpms@gmail.com) if you're interested in helping with either event.

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## **MOCK CONGRESS**

The 2016 Mock Congress, was held on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at Linn-Benton Community College in Albany. Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders did an outstanding job. Mateo Rodriguez was elected president for Mock Congress and he selected Indigo Martin-Lunas to serve as his vice-president. Daniela Dursch-Smith and Roberto Rameriz served as President Pro Tem of the two senates, while Viola Stark and Sydney Hutchinson served as majority leaders for the same bodies. Sebbie Law and Maryann Cervantes were the senate minority leaders. Leadership in the House of Representatives went to Taylor Silbernagel as Speaker of the House, John Foltz as Majority Leader and Avery Hsieh as Minority Leader.

## **Linus Pauling Middle School Cross Country Team - FALL 2016**

Join the Linus Pauling Cross Country Team for the 2016 season. Run for fun, for friendships, for fitness, or run to race.

The philosophy of LPMS XC emphasizes building character from the satisfaction that comes from an honest effort in a team structure. We encourage everyone to improve at his/her own level; we help promote friendships among athletes; we believe strongly in establishing proper running and fitness habits; and we value hard work.

Participation fee includes coaching, bus transportation when necessary, a technical t-shirt, and incidental expenses such as race fees. **However, no one is turned away because of inability to pay.** Practices will be M, T, and Th each week, directly after school, from 3:50 to 5:00 p.m. If races occur on Wednesday, Friday, or Saturday, we still meet on M, T, and Th. Practices encompass dynamic warm-up drills, a wide range of running intensities, strength and core work, stretching, and occasional running wisdom. Athletes work at their own level. Races are 3000 meters (1.8 miles).

**Official practice starts on August 29th, the week before school starts. There will be informal gatherings during the month of August, based on the coaches' schedules. Please write to Mr. Behrens at [lpmsxc@gmail.com](mailto:lpmsxc@gmail.com) with any questions, to request being placed on the mail list, and to receive all announcements and updates.**

Please plan for a sports physical if your child is a 7<sup>th</sup> grader or is now an 8<sup>th</sup> grader and did not turn in a new physical last year. Physicals are good for two years. The OSAA-required form is available on the school website at <https://sites.google.com/a/corvallis.k12.or.us/linus-pauling-middle-school/forms>, or at the LPMS office.





## AVID

For the 2016 – 2017 school year there will be two 8<sup>th</sup> grade AVID Elective classes taught by Jody Chilvers. In addition, there will be one 7<sup>th</sup> grade AVID Elective class taught by Jason Haun. We are very excited about this expansion of our AVID program. The LPMS Site Coordinator will be Steph Swenson.



## BAND & CHOIR

*The Choir Concert and Awards will take place on Wednesday, June 1st. 7:00 PM in the LPMS Commons.*

*The Band Concert and Awards will be on Tuesday, June 7th. 7:00 PM, also in the LPMS Commons.*

## WEB News

August training sessions will be on Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 8:30am until 12:30pm (both days).

6<sup>th</sup> grade orientation day is Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. WEB Leaders need to be at LPMS at 7:00am. Activities will conclude by 1:00pm.

Ten LPMS students are working in a high school transition group with CHS mentors. They will be taking a mentor-led tour of CHS on Tuesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Eleven 8<sup>th</sup> grade WEB Leaders attended the 2016 Northwest Peace Jam on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the University of Oregon. This year's conference featured 1997 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Jody Williams.

## LPMS Registration for the 2016/17 School Year

Registration packets went home with current students in early May. It is important that these packets be completed and returned as soon as possible. If your child will not be continuing at Linus Pauling next school year please write that on the registration card and return the packet. Packets will include the registration card, technology use agreement, electives, and ListServ permission. Any questions about the upcoming school year please contact Mary Marshall, LPMS Registrar at 541-757-3979.

## DUAL IMMERSION!

As the year comes to an end, there are many things to celebrate in the Dual Immersion program. Perhaps one of the most exciting celebrations is the first cohort of 8<sup>th</sup> grade Dual Immersion students to participate in Mock Congress committee hearings with bilingual speeches. Students arduously worked to research, write and deliver their bills for the first time ever in both English and Spanish. This was a challenging task that students pushed themselves through as they skillfully crafted their speeches using elevated levels of academic language abilities in both languages to persuade their fellow committee members to vote for their bill. Congratulations to the 8<sup>th</sup> graders. You should be very proud of yourselves!

Another celebration on the horizon for 8<sup>th</sup> grade Dual Immersion students is the honor of recognition for participation in the Dual Immersion program at the 8<sup>th</sup> grade ceremony. The recognition will appear as a seal on their certificate of promotion. After 9 years of investment in the program, students should feel very proud.

Check out the LPMS website for a brochure about the Dual Immersion Program as well as some Frequently Asked Questions and answers about Dual Immersion at the middle level.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Visitations

LPMS feeder elementary schools visited on May 4, 5, 6 and 9 and met with the principal, vice-principal, counselors, librarian and 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers. They had a tour of the school led by some of our current 6<sup>th</sup> graders. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade visitors were clearly impressed with the size and beauty of our school and seemed genuinely excited about coming here next year. And we are all excited to have them coming to LPMS.

## Library News and Reminders

As we race toward the end of the school year we are concerned about overdue library books. This is a big problem for 6<sup>th</sup> graders, a little less so for the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Please have your students turn in all of their library books by Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> so that they can have a clean record by the end of the school year. Textbooks will be turned in through the appropriate classes and all textbooks are due by June 10<sup>th</sup>.



Here are some great summer reading suggestions

### The 2016-17 OBOB and ORCA lists!

#### The OBOB (Oregon Battle of the Books) selections:

*Courage for Beginners* by Karen Harrington  
*The Journal of Curious Letters* by James Dashner  
*Masterminds* by Gordon Korman  
*Unfriended* by Rachel Vail  
*Zombie Baseball Beatdown* by Paolo Bacigalupi  
*The Unwanteds* by Lisa McMann  
*A Night Divided* by Jennifer A. Nielsen  
*The Menagerie* by Tui T. and Kari Sutherland  
*The Honest Truth* by Dan Gemeinhart  
*Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie* by Jordon Sonnenblic  
*Death by Toilet Paper* by Donna Gephart  
*Dark Life* by Kat Falls

#### The ORCA (Oregon Reader's Choice Awards) winners:

*The Crossover* by Kwame Alexander  
*The Night Gardener* by Jonathan Auxier  
*The Fourteenth Goldfish* by Jennifer L. Holm  
*The Great Greene Heist* by Varian Johnson  
*Egg and Spoon* by Gregory Maguire  
*Greenglass House* by Kate Milford  
*The Boundless* by Kenneth Oppel  
*Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson

Be sure to visit our [Library Website](http://www.paulinglibrary.weebly.com) for all the current news about our beautiful Linus Pauling Library!  
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## CIVIL WAR REENACTORS

Civil War reenactors from the Northwest Civil War Council visited LPMS on June 10<sup>th</sup> as part of our ongoing participation in the Journey through Hallowed Ground Living Legacy Project, honoring all 625,000 soldiers, Union and Confederate, who lost their lives during the American Civil War. The NW Civil War Council is recognized nationally as authentic Civil War historians and presenters.

They offered a number of volunteer reenactors in period dress to make various presentations to the students. The Corvallis Gazette-Times gave great coverage to the event: [CW Reenactment](#).

The presentations included topics such as –  
Abraham Lincoln (nationally renowned presenter of this character)

Music of the Civil War

Fashions of the Civil War

Life of Women and Children during the war

Infantry presentation

(pending) Cavalry discussion

(pending) Artillery discussion

Overall facts and trivia from the War



**Finally, Kristy Kemper Hodge, the Youth Services Librarian for the Corvallis Public library visit LPMS on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:15-3:30 PM in the Ava Helen Pauling Auditorium to speak about summer reading opportunities!!**

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