

*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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**Linus Pauling Families,**

June is here and we are sprinting to the finish line of the school year. There is a lot happening as the year ends, especially for our 8th graders who will leave us prepared for the adventures and challenges of high school. We just finished up Mock Congress and the field trip to Mary's Peak, and we still have the Living Voices presentation, choir concert, band concert, school wide talent show and the 8th grade celebration and party. We are excited to have the 8th grade celebration at the Corvallis High School Gym for the first time. We have outgrown our own gym and are hoping there will be less crowding and cooler temperatures at CHS.

While we work hard to finish this school year on a positive note, we are also planning for next year. Next year's WEB leaders are already preparing to welcome next year's 6th graders. The 6th grade WEB orientation day is August 23rd. We are excited to add a second assistant principal to our admin team for next year. Lisa Krause will be joining us from Mountain View Elementary. Lisa is returning to Linus Pauling where she taught prior to several years as an administrator within the Corvallis School District. The admin team is working with staff to build a schedule of classes for next year. We have increased elective opportunities in ART, FACS,

and added Drama to the elective options. Students should have prioritized their elective choices by now and student schedules will be ready in August. If you have any questions about the online registration process, please contact our registrar Mary Marshall at 541-757-3979.

We welcomed 5th grade families on May 29th during an Open House with informational sessions. We will continue to provide opportunities for all families to stay informed and will host time to meet with the principals and ask questions three times in August: August 15th from 12:00-1:00 pm; August 23rd from 9:00-10:00 am, and August 30th from 5:30-6:30 pm. We encourage you to join us if you have any questions or comments to share. The Linus Pauling office will reopen to the public starting on August 9th with daytime hours of 9:00-12:00 and 1:00-3:00.

We hope that all our families have a wonderful summer break and that our students return to school safe, rested, and ready to learn. It has been a great first year for me at Linus Pauling and I am really looking forward to year two.

Take Care,  
Gregory Hyde

## iPads!

All 6th, 7th, 8th grade iPads will be checked in for the summer on June 7th and 8th. Students should charge their iPads before checking them in. iPads will be reset over the summer so if your student has files or pictures they want to keep they should save them to their Google Drive. 8th graders will need to turn in their iPad chargers (bricks and cords) at the time of check-in. Returning 6th and 7th graders will keep their chargers over the summer for use next school year.

# DUAL IMMERSION NEWS

On May 11<sup>th</sup> the DI students had the opportunity to host “Teatro Milagro” a Portland based theater company. They presented a piece about Frida Kahlo.

We would still love any monetary donations as we continue to build our Spanish library collection.

Thank you to the Corvallis Foundation for the \$1600 grant to provide art opportunities and experiences for our DI students this year.

Stop by American Dream downtown to see 6<sup>th</sup> grade DI students’ pizza box poems on display.

## Listen To The Music!



Choir Concert - Tuesday, June 5th, 7:00 pm  
Linus Pauling Commons  
Band Concert - Thursday, June 7th, 7:00 pm  
Linus Pauling Commons

Thanks for a fantastic year! We appreciate your support of the Linus Pauling music ensembles!



STEM is wrapping up its first year at Linus Pauling Middle School. The 8th grade elective

was brand new this year, an idea that came to life just weeks before the start of the school year.

Over the course of the year students conducted data collection and research in the school garden, which has lead to a new partnership with OSU and an on-going agricultural research project. Additionally, students have gotten to learn about coding and programming with robots while using hand tools to deconstruct machines and build Pinewood Derby cars.

Next year, we are going to continue to add new units and activities and do more with our 3D printer collection. We are looking for help in our garden expansion program, more details to follow in the fall. Also, we will be needing chaperones for our field trips next year, so please get your background checks completed to join us out in the community.

## ANOTHER GREAT T&F SEASON!



Congratulations to the 150+ student athletes on this year's track and field team! LP athletes excelled in almost every event and all athletes set personal records. Eleven new school records were set over the course of the season. Our girls’ team was especially strong in the sprints, distance events, and throws. The girls won every meet, including the Oregon Middle School Meet of Champions, when they competed against 182 teams from across the Pacific Northwest.

## Linus Pauling Cross Country for 2018.

Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Graders, and returning 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Graders are invited to join the Linus Pauling Cross Country team for our 11th fall season. Run for fun, for fitness, or to compete. All abilities welcome, this is a no-cut sport. The only requirement is a desire to improve and to be part of an amazing team. Races are 3 kilometers (1.86 miles). Practices are usually M, T, and Th. Meets can fall on a Tuesday through Saturday.

Informal practices will begin in early August. Structured, but optional, practices begin the week of August 20<sup>th</sup>, the same week as registration. Official practice begins the week of August 27<sup>th</sup>. The season ends in late October. Optional, off-season running continues through February.

To ask questions, or to begin receiving information about summer gatherings and practices, email Gerhard Behrens at [lpmsxc@gmail.com](mailto:lpmsxc@gmail.com)

If you are not already part of the team, I will add your contact information so you are aware of all Cross Country news. Permission forms will be available at [lpms.us](http://lpms.us) by mid-August and at registration. Please note that all 7<sup>th</sup> graders will need a physical form completed by a physician by September 4<sup>th</sup>. Don't wait to get this done! Link to form:

<https://sites.google.com/a/corvallis.k12.or.us/linus-pauling-middle-school/forms>

Returning 8<sup>th</sup> grade athletes from Track or XC do not need a new form. 8<sup>th</sup> graders who did not compete in XC or Track will need a physical. 6<sup>th</sup> Graders do not need a physical form.

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If you are not on the LPMS listserv, please sign up TODAY by sending an e-mail from the address you want to get listserv messages from to:

[LPMS-News+subscribe@Listserv.CSD509J.Net](mailto:LPMS-News+subscribe@Listserv.CSD509J.Net)

- Parents please remind your students to check the lost and found and lunch racks in the Commons. Anything left here after June 15<sup>th</sup> will be donated or recycled.
- Also, a friendly reminder from our kitchen staff that students need to pay up their charges!

*Here are upcoming dates to put on your calendars:*

June 1--Last day to check out Library Books  
June 5--Choir Concert  
June 7--Band Concert  
June 7 & 8--iPad check in  
June 8--Library Books Due  
June 11--Living Voices  
June 13--7th grade Field Day  
June 14--Talent Show  
June 14--8th grade celebration, 8th grade party  
June 15--Year Book Signing  
August 1: Registrar emails sent for Registering  
August 9: LP office opens  
August 22/23: Schedule/Locker pick up

## World Peace Game Summer Camp

The Corvallis School District is hosting a World Peace Game Summer Camp in August. John Hunter, founder of the game, will facilitate a game for incoming 4th through 7th graders.

When: August 13-17 from 8:30 am to 12 noon

Where: Linus Pauling Middle School.

Cost: This is a fee-based camp. Please see flyer for details (English / Espanol)

The World Peace Game is a hands-on political science simulation where students endeavor to achieve world peace in the face of complex interlocking global crises. Students utilize critical thinking, creative problem solving, and negotiation and conflict resolution skills while working in teams to accomplish their goals. A glimpse of the game may be seen by watching a TED talk, *John Hunter: Teaching with The World Peace Game*, or by watching a short movie trailer of the game:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICq8V2EhYs0>

To register go to [www.worldpeacegame.org](http://www.worldpeacegame.org)

Local contact is [carla.olson@corvallis.k12.or.us](mailto:carla.olson@corvallis.k12.or.us)



Our final open mic will be this Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Open Mic has been so popular this year that I plan to host it again, once per month, in the 2018-19 school year.

We have already received several copies of the 2018-19 OBOB selections. We look forward to another spirited completion next year on the following books.

## Linus Pauling Library News

This spring we did a thorough “weeding” of our library to remove books that are damaged, have outdated information or have not been checked out for many years. A big thanks goes to our amazing parent volunteers and even some students who helped with this process. We focused on the non-fiction shelves during our all-day weeding session. Kathy Seeburger has come back several times since then to weed the fiction section. And Ashley Cooper generously purchased several new books to replace outdated sections in our library. It’s been amazing to see how much support our library receives from our parents.

There could be some big changes to our library next school year as the purple area may be closed off and used as either a classroom or a testing area for part of the year (if not all). If that happens we can make it work, but there will be less room for additional library activities, especially during the lunch rotations.

We are still having our monthly book club meetings. Our final discussion will be about the book Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper. In April our club threw a surprise birthday party for Linda Crew and discussed her book A Heart for Any Fate. Linda attended Highland View, which stood here where LPMS stands today. She said her visit to our book club was “her most fun school visit ever.” A big thanks to parent volunteer Russa Kittredge and Corvallis youth librarian Kristy Kemper-Hodge for bringing cupcakes, balloons, hats and party favors and for helping set up the library for the party. We really caught Linda by surprise.

## 2018-2019 OBOB SELECTIONS

### 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Division

- **Absolutely Truly** by Heather Vogel Frederick
- **Avenging the Owl** by Melissa Hart
- **The Body in the Woods** by April Henry
- **Cryptid Hunters** by Roland Smith
  - **Doll Bones** by Holly Black
  - **The Gauntlet** by Karuna Riazi
  - **Ghost** by Jason Reynolds
- **I Will Always Write Back** by Caitlin Alifirenka & Martin Ganda
- **The Luck Uglies** by Paul Durham
- **My Seventh-Grade Life in Tights** by Brooks Benjamin
  - **Restart** by Gordon Korman
- **Revenge of the Witch** by Joseph Delaney
- **Small as an Elephant** by Jennifer Richard Jacobson
- **The Sword of Summer** by Rick Riordan
  - **The Wishing Spell** by Chris Colfer
  - **Wolf Hollow** by Lauren Wolk



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