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LILA Upper School Update: November 5, 2018

LOOKING AHEAD: IMPORTANT DATES

Here are some important dates for your calendar:

Date	Activity
Monday, November 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No School - Teacher Professional Development Day• Quarter 1 progress reports posted
Tuesday, November 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Picture Retake Day
Thursday, November 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Substitute Teaching Information Session, LILA Main Campus, 9:00-10:30 am• Diploma Programme Information Night, 6:30-7:30 PM, Headwaters Cafeteria -- Parents/Guardians of 8th, 9th, and 10th grade students• Ski Club Scholarship applications deadline
Monday, November 12	Veterans Day, Observed
Tuesday, November 13	LILA School Board Meeting, 6:00-7:30 PM in Main Campus Library
Wednesday, November 14	10th Grade Personal Project Workshop- 2:30-3:30 in room 208
Thursday, November 15	Ski Club Bus Registration Deadline (before prices are raised \$50)
Thursday, November 22	Holiday, No School
Friday, November 23	Holiday, No School
Thursday, November 29	High School Hangout at Vanelli's: 9-12th grade students only. See email for more details.
Friday, November 30	Ski Club Registration Closes



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THIS WEEK'S NEWS

Progress Reports

Please use Infinite Campus to view your student's Quarter 1 progress report. Progress reports for Quarter 1 will be available in the afternoon of November 5. Please remember this is only a progress report for your student. The grades in each course will NOT be averaged into determining the final summative grade at the end of the year. This grade is used only to help the student and parents see the progress your child is making and to help determine if support may be needed to help them succeed.

For more details regarding Upper School's grading and reporting procedures, please see the [Parent and Student Handbook](#) or the [Upper School Assessment Guide](#).

We have also linked a [screencast](#) which provides an overview of LILA Upper School Grading and Communication. The screencast includes information about our IB grading system and ways in which families can use Infinite Campus to stay up to date on their student's progress.

Diploma Programme (DP) Update from Mrs. Ray, DP Coordinator Designate

Nov. 8th: DP Information Night for 8th/9th/10th grade parents/guardians, 6:30p at HW cafeteria -- Parents of current LILA 8th, 9th, and 10th grade students received an email (or Infinite Campus message) on Wed. 10/24/18 regarding this upcoming meeting. Please see that email for further details.

Yard Signs

Over a third of the LILA yard signs were spoken for in the first few hours of availability. We still have some, so fill out [this form](#) and reserve yours today! The dates to display the signs are Nov 7 through January 15 (enrollment lottery day).



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IB in Action: 8th grade Natural Disasters Interdisciplinary Unit

8th graders are working on their first interdisciplinary unit: a unit that is taught by teachers from two different subject areas where students use the knowledge and perspectives from both classes to complete a joint summative. This kind of unit challenges students intellectually to transfer knowledge and skills across disciplines while they make connections to the real world.

Our 8th graders are working on a Natural Disaster Investigation in their Science and Individuals and Societies Interdisciplinary Unit. In the Investigation summative, students have chosen a real natural disaster event related to plate tectonics that happened within the last 50 years and are completing research to create a presentation about their event to analyze the scientific, political, and economic impacts of the event. See photos below of some of the 8th grade inquirers engaged in their research!





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Travel Abroad with LILA

We are excited to announce our third annual LILA-CASVI exchange program for 2019! It is a 12 week linguistic and cultural exchange with our sister school CASVI in Madrid, Spain.

For more information, please email Profe Ceci at cdelbene@mylila.org or take a look at this [presentation](#).

Mark your calendar: we will be holding an Informational Meeting on January 7th at 6pm at Headwaters.

Scholarships are available through the LILA Foundation.

Message from our Athletics and Activities Director

- **Registration is now open for winter activities/athletics in FeePay!**

Check out the [activities/athletics page](#) on the LILA website for the full details of all winter activities/athletics. If your child will be participating in a winter sport, please register by **November 15th**. (Note: Boys' middle school basketball registration (if they aren't planning on trying out for the high school program) should be done by December 15th since the season starts later.

- Girls' middle school basketball, archery team and Destination Imagination have already started. There are still limited spots available.
 - Girls' high school basketball starts with captain's practices November 6th with the official season starting November 12th.
 - Boys' high school basketball (and any 7th-8th grader who wants to try out for the high school team) starts November 20th.
 - Ski Club starts December 6th (register by November 15th or there will be a fee increase).
 - Boys' middle school basketball starts January 8th. If your 7th or 8th grader wants to try out for the high school team, they need to be registered for middle school basketball before being allowed to try out. If they are selected for the team, you will pay the fee difference by check.
- **Upper School Coaching Opportunities**
 - **Boys' middle school basketball head and assistant coach:** Duties include communication with students and parents, planning and coaching practices



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Tuesday-Friday for 1.5 hours each day, home and away games 1-2/wk, etc..
Season runs from January 8th-beginning of March. This is a paid position.

- **Ski Club Advisor:** Duties include parent communication, student communication, riding the bus to and from Trollhaugen (supervision and checking students on the bus), supervision at Trollhaugen (you can buy a ski pass and have time to ski as well as hang out in the ski lodge), etc. There are parent volunteers for the Main Campus students so you will be working with them as well as the language ambassadors while at Trollhaugen. This is a recreational ski club so you don't need any experience with skiing/snowboarding in order to be the advisor. Bus leaves from LILA HW around 2:25 (advisor needs to be at LILA HW by 2:15 to check students onto the bus) and returns around 7:15 on Thursday afternoons/evenings. This is a paid position. See below for dates of ski club:

December: 6th, 13th, 20th

January: 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st

February: 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

A message from the LILA Ski Club

Nov 8th - Ski Club Scholarship applications deadline

Nov 15th - Ski Club Bus registration deadline before prices are raised \$50

Nov 30th - Ski Club registration closes

- The bus and activity fees are now available to pay on FeePay. These fees only apply to ski club members who are riding the bus. Reminder, students must be registered for ski club and have their bus fee paid before November 15th or the price increases by \$50.
- **NEW THIS YEAR:** LILA Ski Club is offering a limited number of scholarships for students who would like to participate but are unable to do so due to cost. A few scholarships are being made available to help cover bus fees, lift tickets, rentals, lessons or any combination as needed. To apply, please fill out the application available on www.lilaskiclub.org.



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Visit www.lilaskiclub.org for updates & information.

LILA IS HIRING!

Substitute Teacher Shortage!

There is a statewide shortage of subs, that has become even more pronounced this year! Are you or someone you know looking for a flexible job opportunity? LILA is seeking parents, recent graduates and retirees to work as substitute teachers. You decide your availability!

If you have a 4-year degree in any area, then you are eligible to get a Minnesota Substitute Teacher license. LILA offers competitive pay and a fun working environment! Bilingual Chinese or Spanish preferred, but not required.

LILA is hosting a substitute information session on November 8 from 9:00-10:30 AM at Main Campus. Call the LILA Main Office at 651-464-0771 to sign up!

LILA Needs Bus Drivers!

We need people with a school bus drivers' license to drive to various sports and activities, as well as for occasional field trips. You decide which hours you can take! Interested, but need help get your bus driver's license? We can help. We'll help guide you through the multiple steps, including providing the official supervision by a current licensed bus driver. Please call Tami in our HR office at 651-464-0771 x214 if you'd like to learn more or get started toward licensure!

STAY CONNECTED

Stay up to date on LILA news in the following ways: Follow us on [Facebook](#), update your contact info via [Infinite Campus](#), and check out our website at www.mylila.org.