

March 11, 2024

Dear Link Families:

I know the month of March can be fickle with its weather, but I feel these past weeks have been truly extreme. The dog and I have to be very careful with all the heaves happening in the sidewalks we walk on!

At Link, however, we are consistent in our learning with steady growth being seen in all areas. We do have Parent/Teacher Conferences scheduled on March 14 and March 15, so if you still need to schedule a conference, please contact your child's teacher. These conferences are a great way for you to talk with your child's teacher about how your son/daughter is doing academically, socially, and emotionally at this particular time in the school year.

As the weather changes on a daily basis, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately, as we do go out for recess each day (unless the weather is too cold or wet). Another way to help your child get the most out of their day is to be sure they are arriving on time for school. Our academic day begins promptly - so arrival by 8:00 am will ensure your son/daughter is here and ready to begin their learning.

Friday, March 8, was SEL Day. SEL stands for social-emotional learning and is an integral part of your child's well-being. SEL Day is an annual event on the second Friday in March which is designed to "showcase, promote, advocate, and support SEL in schools and communities across the world." Our use of the Mood Meter (a component in the Yale RULER initiative) has become a seamless element of our day, and a very important tool to help address feelings and provide regulation strategies. Ask your child about the Mood Meter - it just might be something you choose to use at home as well!

I hope you have a pleasant week ahead; and as always, thank you for your partnership in your child's learning. Remember - there is no school for students on Friday March 15.

Sincerely,  
Mary Bish, Principal