



LINWOOD MONROE  
ARTS PLUS

# LMAP NEWS

March 17, 2017

Our mission is to provide a quality, comprehensive, arts-infused education

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Greetings!

This past Monday, March 13 the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) for Saint Paul approved our two variances for the expansion project. This moves our two campuses into planning and prioritization for phase one construction. As I become aware of the logistics for this summer's construction, I will communicate out to students, staff and families immediately. Again, I want to reiterate the gratitude on behalf of our staff for the Advocates for LMAP and the many supporters who worked with us to gain the BZA approval.

Next week we host parent-teacher conferences at both campuses. Conference times are as follows.

- Tuesday, March 21 and Thursday, March 23 from 4:50 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 24 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Elementary conferences are scheduled as appointments. Secondary or middle school conferences are arena style (sixth grade in the cafeteria and seventh/eighth graders will be in the gymnasium). We will have interpreters here for each of our conference events. We look forward to connecting with you at conferences.

This month we are excited for the return of the Mindfulness Residency at both campuses which supports our monthly theme for March, Mindfulness. Students are being led by Yoga Calm experts from 1000 Petals, LLC. The facilitators are empowering students to find strength in breathing through key exercises or poses that also foster self-regulation and self-control. To learn more about mindfulness or Yoga Calm, please visit the following website: <http://www.1000-petals.com>.

Lastly, congratulations to all of our students who performed at the Friday gatherings. It was great to see so many parents in attendance at the upper campus. I want to also acknowledge Mr. Xiong, one of our Bilingual EAs for collaborating with the second grade team to lead us in learning Hmong sayings (from a famous Hmong folk tale entitled Nine In One Grr! Grr! ) at the lower campus gathering.

Go green wave!

Respectfully,

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The next Parent Teacher Association (PTA) meeting will be **April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. Meetings are held the second Thursday of the month, are from 6:30-8:00pm, and always held at the Monroe campus (810 Palace Av, 55102). There will be free childcare and snacks for the kiddos. For additional information about the PTA, events, or meetings, please contact PTA Secretary, Ann Blumer-LaMotte, at [LinwoodMonroePTA@gmail.com](mailto:LinwoodMonroePTA@gmail.com)

### **LMAP IMPROVEMENTS UPDATE**

Following a year of delays, multiple redesigns, bureaucratic hurdles, environmental and historic assessments, and finally three attempts at public hearings and votes, on March 13, the City of Saint Paul Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) finally voted to grant the zoning variances necessary for the improvements at the Lower Campus building! While there is still more work to be done, and an appeal could cause additional delay, this is the most important approval necessary for the project to continue. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin this summer.

We would like to give a special thanks to the Saint Paul Federation of Teachers and to the Saint Paul chapter of the NAACP for their support, advocacy, and public statements, and for standing with the LMAP Community before the BZA.

To learn more about the improvement project and its coalition of support, please go to the Advocates for LMAP website at [advocatesforlmap.org](http://advocatesforlmap.org). To find more on the plan, and about other projects throughout Saint Paul Public Schools, go to the school website, [lmap.spps.org](http://lmap.spps.org), and follow the "Expansion" link.

### **PLANT SALE**

Think Spring! The 2017 LMAP PTA Plant Sale is underway and taking online orders at <https://mkt.com/LMAPPTA>. Please see the flyer later in this newsletter for more information and direction for placing orders.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The LMAP PTA and Community has a long tradition of providing delicious, homemade meals for staff as they work extremely long hours on conference days. To make this a success, we need food donations, volunteer time, and financial support to show our support for our wonderful and dedicated staff. This year, we will be providing LMAP staff with a meal of tacos, desserts and beverages on Tuesday (3/21) AND Thursday (3/23) evenings. If you can donate food, volunteer to help with setup, or make a donation to help cover the cost of these meals, please visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4eafae2ba57-conference3> or contact PTA secretary Ann Blumer-LaMotte at [LinwoodMonroePTA@gmail.com](mailto:LinwoodMonroePTA@gmail.com).

The annual LMAP Spring Carnival is scheduled for Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. This event takes many people to make it a success, so please visit our page at SignUpGenius (<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b4eafae2ba57-2017>) and let us know how you can help. We are in need of various committee chairs, as well as to help with advance preparation, setup, and on the night of the carnival to keep everything running smoothly.

## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade AVID Class Service Learning Project

Hello LMAP Community, we are 7th grade AVID class and we would like to inform you about our service learning project.

Project Linus is an organization that hand makes blankets for critically ill children. We have been working on it for several weeks, and our goal is to donate 100 blankets to Project Linus and help kids feel safe. We need to raise money to cover the cost.

We were hoping you could help us. We will be selling cookies for \$1 and cupcakes for \$2 on the days of conferences. If you are not interesting in buying cookies and cupcakes, you can donate money. Please stop by the cafeteria to help us raise enough money to make blankets for children in hospitals, shelters, social service agencies, or anywhere a child might need a big hug. If you have any questions about our service learning project, feel free to contact Cassandra Karp or Stacey Bukovich.

To find more information about Project Linus go to [projectlinus.org](http://projectlinus.org)

## MUSIC AT THE MONROE CAMPUS

It's an exciting season for all musicians at the Linwood Monroe Arts Plus Upper Campus. The band is hard at work learning new music! Late winter and early spring are times of extraordinary musical growth as we prepare for the spring concert and marching season. Our beginning band students are getting ready to join the intermediate band for our next performances.

As students are learning new music it's important to approach it with a growth mindset. Progress happens one measure at a time. Sometimes it's slow but consistent, careful work will get us far.

Please be sure the following dates are on your calendars! All band students will have the opportunity to perform at the following events:

March 17 – Pep assembly

May 16 – St. Paul Patrol Parade

May 19 – Spring Band Concert

June 4 – Grand Ole Days Parade

Linwood Monroe 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students have spent the past few months learning about the elements of music. We've been examining how tempo, dynamics, timber and articulation define the sound and feel of a piece. Our unit culminated with a trip to hear the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra on February 23. We heard music by Stravinsky and jazz great Wynton Marsalis.

I'm happy to say that music is alive and well here at Linwood Monroe Arts Plus. We are looking forward to sharing our music and our accomplishments with the community in the coming months.

Thank you!  
Ms. Moyer

LINWOOD MONROE ARTS PLUS PTA  
**ANNUAL PLANT SALE**

*Spring is coming!*

To celebrate Spring and support the PTA, please see attached **2017 Plant Sale Order Form**.

The LMAP PTA has once again partnered with Prior Lake's **Green Earth Growers** to offer our school a wonderful selection of **Annuals, Herbs & Edibles** including **Certified Organic** options and **Edible Baskets and Patio Pots (NEW)!**

Orders will be available for pick-up May 10-12 at the Upper (Monroe) Campus – just in time for Mother's Day (May 14).

A limited selection of plants from the full list of offerings will be for sale on pick-up days in addition to pre-ordered/pre-paid items. To guarantee that you get the perfect flowers and plants for Mother's Day and/or your Spring gardening projects, please order by (April 12).



**PRE-ORDER & PAYMENT DEADLINE:**  
**Wednesday, April 12**

View Photos and/or Order Online at:  
**<https://mkt.com/LMAPPTA>**

Return attached order form & payment to your student's teacher.  
Cash or Check payment (checks made payable to LMAP PTA).

	ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	QTY	TOTAL
<b>12" HANGING BASKETS</b>					
A	<i>Sun/Part Sun</i>	1 Ivy Geranium Contess Burgundy Bi-Color	\$22.00		
		2 Petunia - Superbell - Limoncello	\$22.00		
		3 Petunia - Superbell - Raspberry Blast	\$22.00		
		4 Calibrachoa - Superbell - Cherrystar	\$22.00		
		5 Mixed Sun Hanging Baseket with accent plants	\$22.00		
	<i>Part Sun/Shade</i>	6 Lobelia - Techno Heat - Electric Blue	\$22.00		
		7 Torenia - Moon Indigo Blue	\$22.00		
	<i>Part Shade/Shade</i>	8 Begonia - Tuberous - Illumination Orange	\$22.00		
		9 Fuschsia - Shadow Dancer Rosella	\$22.00		
		10 Fuschsia - Millennium (red/dark purple)	\$22.00		
		11 New Guinea Impatiens -Magnum - White	\$22.00		
		12 New Guinea Impatiens - Magnum - Bright Red	\$22.00		
		13 Mixed Shade Hanging Basket with accent plants	\$22.00		
	<i>Edible Basket (NEW)</i>	14 Strawberry ( rose flowers & bright red berries)	\$22.00		

**12" PATIO POTS with ACCENT PLANTS or EDIBLE URBAN GARDEN - AN INSTANT GARDEN**

B	<i>Patio Pots</i>	1 Mixed Sun Variety	\$27.00		
		2 Mixed Shade Variety	\$27.00		
		3 <b>Limited Edition LMAP:</b> Pollinator Pot	\$27.00		
	<i>Urban Garden Pots (New)</i> <i>10" caged or trellis</i>	4 Cucumber: Patio Snacker	\$20.00		
		5 Peas: Sugar Ann	\$20.00		
		6 Tomato: Totem	\$20.00		

**Gallon Grasses - 6" Fiber Mache Pot**

C	<i>Grass</i>	1 Pennisetum (purple fountain grass) sun /part sun	\$13.00		
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**HANGING BASKETS, PATIO POTS & GRASSES ARE PRE-ORDER ONLY**

**ANNUALS - 5" POTS**

D	<i>Fuschsia</i>	1 Autumnale (lime green)	\$4.50		
	<i>Geranium</i>	2 Americana Series Red	\$4.50		
	<i>Gerbera</i>	3 Daisy Royal Premium Mix	\$4.50		
	<i>Morning Glory</i>	4 Grandpa Ott (violet blue with ruby red star)	\$4.50		
	<i>Salvia</i>	5 Black & Blue	\$4.50		

**ANNUALS - 4 PACKS**

E	<i>Alyssum</i>	1 Aphrodite Mix	\$2.50		
	<i>Celosia</i>	2 Castle Series (12-14"): Scarlet	\$2.50		
	<i>Coleus</i>	3 Fairway Mix	\$2.50		
	<i>Impatiens</i>	4 Super Elfin Series: Mix	\$2.50		
		5 Super Elfin Series: Violet Star	\$2.50		
	<i>Marigold</i>	6 Bonanza Mix	\$2.50		
	<i>Pansy</i>	7 Delta Tricolor Mix	\$2.50		
	<i>Petunia</i>	8 African Sunset	\$2.50		
		9 EZ Rider Mix	\$2.50		
		10 Sophistica Lime BiColor (pink & green flowers)	\$2.50		
	<i>Portulaca</i>	11 Happy Trails Mix	\$2.50		
	<i>Zinnia</i>	12 Profusion Double Cherry	\$2.50		
		13 State Fair Mix	\$2.50		

**RETURN THIS FORM WITH PAYMENT TO YOUR STUDENT'S TEACHER BY APRIL 12. ORDERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP MAY 10-12 AT THE UPPER (MONROE) CAMPUS.**

**NEED A VISUAL? CHECK OUT OUR ONLINE STORE AT: <https://mkt.com/LMAPPTA>**

	ITEM		DESCRIPTION	PRICE	QTY	TOTAL
<b>ANNUALS - 6 PACKS</b>						
F	<i>Dahlia</i>	1	Garden Pride Mix	\$4.50		
	<i>Flowering Kale</i>	2	Nagoya Mix	\$4.50		
	<i>Nasturtium</i>	3	Empress of India	\$4.50		
<b>ORGANIC VEGETABLES &amp; HERBS - SINGLE 4" POTS</b>						
G	<i>ORGANIC - Sweet Pepper</i>	1	California Wonder (bell pepper)	\$3.50		
	<i>ORGANIC - Hot Pepper</i>	2	Jalapeno	\$3.50		
	<i>Tomatoes</i>	3	Carmello (red)	\$3.50		
		4	Northern Lights (yellow/orange beefsteak)	\$3.50		
		5	Amish Paste (roma)	\$3.50		
		6	Chadwick Cherry	\$3.50		
		7	Hybrid Grape	\$3.50		
	<i>Herbs</i>	8	Basil (Genovese)	\$3.50		
		9	Chives	\$3.50		
		10	Cilantro	\$3.50		
		11	Dill	\$3.50		
		12	Lavender (Hidcote Blue - Culinary-Ornamental)	\$3.50		
		13	Oregano (Italian)	\$3.50		
		14	Parsley (Flat Leaf)	\$3.50		
		15	Sage	\$3.50		
<b>URBAN GARDENER - 6 PACKS</b>						
H	<i>ORGANIC - Greens</i>	1	Kale - Dinosaur (Lacinato)	\$4.50		
		2	Lettuce (gourmet mix)	\$4.50		
		3	Spinach	\$4.50		
	<i>Gardener Packs</i>	4	Bean Mix (provider/royal burgundy)	\$4.00		
		5	Beet Mix (bull bloods/touchstone gold)	\$4.00		
		6	Broccoli Mix (lieutenant/green magic)	\$4.00		
		7	Carrot Mix (nelson/deep purple)	\$4.00		
		8	Scallion Mix (evergreen / deep purple)	\$4.00		

<b>TOTALS, CONTACT FORM &amp; PAYMENT DUE (APRIL 12) - checks payable to LMAP PTA</b>		
<b>Campus</b>  <i>(circle one)</i>  <b>LINWOOD</b>  <b>MONROE</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Number of Plants</b>
	<b>Email</b>	<b>Amount owed</b> \$
	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Payment attached</b> <i>(circle)</i>  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <span>CASH</span> <span>CHECK</span> </div>

**To purchase using credit card visit our online store at: <https://mkt.com/LMAPPTA>**

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