



IN THE LOOP

Your Linden School Connection

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In the Loop is a weekly newsletter designed to inform you of important dates and events at The Linden School, and to let you know about the many accomplishments of Linden students throughout the year. If you would no longer like to receive this newsletter, please e-mail kater@lindenschool.ca with "unsubscribe" as the subject line.

GRADE 8 WEEK WITHOUT WALLS SLEEPOVER

Information about the grade 8 Week Without Walls sleepover was sent home with the students on Tuesday, September 29th. If your daughter is in grade 8, please review the expectations and other details about this event with her before tomorrow evening. The permission form must be signed and returned by **Thursday, October 1st**, for students to participate in the sleepover.

If you need another copy of the permission form, you may download one from the Linden website [here](#).

PANS CLASSES START MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

Another quick reminder for all Steel Pans players: practices for all Pans groups start this coming **Monday, October 5**. The practice times for each group are as follows:

- Beginner Pans: 3:45-4:00 PM
- Intermediate Pans: 4:30 PM-5:15 PM
- Advanced Pans: 5:15-6:00 PM

If your daughter is enrolled in Pans, please remind her that she must attend this mandatory practice.

INTERESTED IN LINDEN CLOTHING?

If you're interested in ordering a Linden t-shirt, sweat shirt or other school gear, please let us know of your interest by e-mailing Kate Raven at kater@lindenschool.ca by this **Friday, October 2**. If we determine that there is ample interest in clothing after this date, we will move forward with putting in an order.

In your e-mail to let us know of your interest, please ensure you include the following:

- Your name
- Your daughter's name
- The item(s) of clothing you would be interested in ordering, ensuring that you specify the following:
 - Number of each item
 - Item colour (this is especially important for long-sleeved shirts)

COMING UP	
Important Dates	
Sept. 30- Oct. 2	Week Without Walls
Oct. 12	Thanksgiving (no classes)
Oct. 14	TTC Photo Day, 1:00 PM
Sports Schedules	
Cross Country (grades 5-12)	Mon 4:00-4:45 PM and Wed 7:30-8:15 AM; meet at the gym, then proceed to the field
Junior Indoor Soccer (grades 7-8)	Tues & Wed at the field, 4:00-5:15 PM
Senior Soccer (grades 9-12)	Wed at the field, 4:00-5:15 PM
Junior Basketball (grades 7-8)	Tues & Thurs in the Linden gym, 4:00-5:15 PM
Senior Basketball (grades 9-12)	Tues & Thurs at the Yorkminster Baptist Church, 4:00-5:30 PM

- Type of sizing (youth or adult)

Once again, here are the items we're looking at offering. Please note that, in response to parent requests, we have added **purple** as a colour option for short-sleeved t-shirts; the Linden logo and mandala will be printed on these shirts in **white**.

- Short-sleeved cotton t-shirts (in black, light grey, white and **purple**)
- Long-sleeved cotton t-shirts (in black, light grey and white)
- Hooded zip-up cotton sweat shirts (in black, light grey (youth), dark grey (adult) and white)
- Youth cotton sweat pants (in black and grey)
- Adult cotton straight-leg pants (in black and grey)
- Gym shorts (in black)

Items will range in price from approximately \$12.50 (for a youth short-sleeved t-shirt) to approximately \$45 (for an adult zip-up hoodie). T-shirts and sweat shirts will be screened with **The Linden School logo** on the left chest, and pants will be screened with our logo on the left thigh. The t-shirts will also be printed with The Linden School's **mandala** on the back. The graphics will be printed in purple on light grey and white clothing, and in white on black, dark grey and purple clothing. In case you're not familiar with the mandala, we've included a small reproduction of the graphic below:



Look for an update about Linden clothing in the *Loop* in early October. If you have any questions about Linden clothing, please e-mail Kate at kater@lindenschool.ca

ULTIMATE, UNBELIEVABLE GIRLS

Deidre and Elizabeth had an amazing day with the Ultimate Frisbee team on September 22 at the Small Schools Athletic Federation co-ed tournament. The entire team showed incredible strength and heart on the field and scored an amazing eight points through three tough games. The whole team would like to send a big thank-you to Elaine, Gail, Richard and Neil for driving to and from the tournament and supporting the girls!

In honour of the team's phenomenal effort, Deidre and Elizabeth composed a short poem, which they read at Wednesday's All School meeting:

U --- ultra, unbelievable, ultimate girls!

L --- livin' large.... LINDEN!

T --- totally terrific team!

I --- incredible, invincible, integrity!

M --- masterful and memorable moves!

A --- awesome, ambitious, action!

T --- tough tackles – take that!

E --- every effort was EPIC!

BASKETBALL SCHEDULES NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

The game schedules for this year's Junior and Senior Basketball teams are now available for download on our website [here](#).

As well as game dates and locations, the schedules also list the addresses for each of the locations where games will be played throughout the season and information regarding playoffs. Please encourage your daughter to use it as a reference to keep track of her season.

WORTH A READ: SERVING UP CHANGE AT THE HUNGER BANQUET

A banquet where guests leave hungry? It may seem like a contradiction, but the purpose of October 14th's Hunger Banquet, to be hosted by the grade 9 business class during All School, is not to fill stomachs. It's to demonstrate the fact that hundreds of millions of people all over the world are going hungry every day, and to motivate attendees to do what they can to help solve the problem of world hunger.

Here's how a hunger banquet works:

- After arriving at the banquet, each guest randomly draws a ticket assigning them to the high, middle, or low income group. 15% of guests will draw a ticket for the high-income group, 25% will belong to the middle-income group, and an overwhelming 60% will find themselves in the low-income group.
- Based on the group they belong to, attendees will be served the following:
 - High-income guests will eat a sumptuous, filling meal (e.g., pizza).
 - Middle-income guests will eat a simple, but amply filling meal (e.g., beans and rice)
 - Low-income guests will wait in line for small portions of very simple food (e.g., rice and water).

The grade 9 business class is asking each student to pay \$2 for admission to the banquet. Proceeds from the banquet will be used to support women entrepreneurs through [Kiva](#), a micro-financing organization that allows lenders to connect directly with people and projects they want to support. By helping women fully realize their economic power, the funds raised by the grade 9 girls will also help developing nations to lift themselves out of poverty.

If you would like to help support women entrepreneurs through Kiva, the grade 9 class would welcome and very much appreciate your donation. You can send donations to school with your daughter any time on or before Wednesday, October 14; please ensure they are clearly marked with your name and "Kiva Fundraiser" so the girls can recognize you for your contribution. Kat Goodale, the teacher of the grade 9 technology class, will be collecting the donations. Cheques can be made out to "The Linden School".

The girls thank you in advance for your support!



***Questions about this week's newsletter? Suggestions for next week? We'd love to hear your feedback! Contact Kate Raven, Communications Coordinator, at 416-966-4406 or kater@lindenschool.ca**