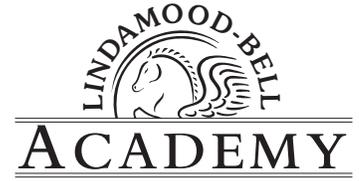


Academy Magic Newsletter



Gratitude

Such a simple word with such complex thoughts, processes, and feelings behind it. It's pretty common to focus in November on what we are grateful for, and as we begin to head into the holiday season, I think it's only appropriate to want to continue this trend!

I'd like to recognize that we are a school of diversity, in both students and staff. We learn so much from each other, from the different experiences and backgrounds we all bring to the table. We don't always get it right, we make mistakes in the process of learning new things, but I'm grateful for these teaching moments and learning opportunities that help and encourage us to grow.

I'm also grateful for the fact that we, as school staff and student body, are thriving in a world that is still full of uncertainty. We continue to pave the way for building magical learning opportunities for our students daily. Our staff is tirelessly working to develop that camaraderie with our Academy students that allow them to surpass what they thought they were capable of! As you'll see, our students are not only developing the confidence to encourage each other, they are acknowledging their OWN improvements —now that's something to be grateful for!

What are you grateful for? My hope is that you take a few moments in this increasingly busy season to recognize, acknowledge, and honor those things in your life that bring you joy and gratitude.

Warmly,

Emily Jayne
Director of Lindamood-Bell Academy



Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER

- 3** Wacky Wednesday
- 4** Thank-a-thon (US only)
- 10** Wacky Wednesday
- 11** Veteran's Day (No School - US only)
- 12** PD Day (No School)
- 15-19** Parent-Team Conferences
- 17** Wacky Wednesday
- 19** Pajama Book Day
- 24** Schoolwide Career Day
- 25-26** Thanksgiving Break (No School - US only)



Good to Know

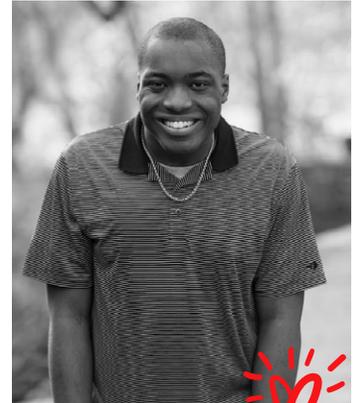
We do our best to provide students with a distraction-free work environment. To accomplish this, all students are asked to check-in their cell phones and mobile devices at the start of the day.

Want more information? Ask your local Learning Center for a copy of our Cell Phone and Mobile Device Policy.



Our Philly students are setting goals, working hard, encouraging each other. Better yet, their newfound confidence means that they are not only encouraging each other, but they are also finding grit and encouraging themselves with their developing confidence. Now THAT is a magical experience!

Sidney, who is practicing applying his process to math, said, "I'm going to read the problem first and not rush!" Then Sidney proceeded to read the whole problem, calculate the answer, and share the answer in a complete sentence!



Liam, who wants to learn more science facts this year, was overheard saying, "I'm on a roll, baby," as he was doing a reading quiz!

Gianna wants to get better at her times tables and her latest self-affirmation was amazing: "Who's working hard? I'M working hard!"



Luca decided his goals for the year include getting better at reading, spelling, and using a calculator. He recently did some assessment and throughout the day, even during the hard parts, he was continuing to praise himself, telling himself he was doing a good job!

Aahana, who is conquering the beast of reading, recently read a page in a book all by herself with no errors and was smiling the whole time! One of her goals this year is to work more on her writing!

Center Stage

Like many of our students, **Elsa** came to LBA having had a less than ideal experience at her previous school. This left Elsa struggling in school and with her confidence. Gracie, the Lead Consultant in Marin, shared the following with us last week:



Today, I worked with Elsa and she is a changed kid! The other week, she told me "sometimes we have bad days, but we power through them, and at the end of the day you're proud of yourself". Now, when other students are having bad days, she tells them the same.

Today, she decided that she wanted to read me her curriculum stories for brain breaks—she even stayed into her fifteen-minute break to read me more! She is, and I quote, "loving school," and it could not have been possible without all of the support given by the Academy team and her consultant, Liam!

You can do this, Elsa! You can do anything, girl!

