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Message from Dr. Gramata, 3-22-26

Hello, Hillside Families! I hope you are having a lovely weekend!

Although I am not able to attend this year, the *Children's Theatre of Livingston* had/has performances this weekend of *Junie B. Jones, Jr.* We typically have many of our huskies featured in the show, and I want to extend my congratulations to those who were in the show yesterday and will be in today's performances! Always proud!

Lunch Menu Change: The pasta option this week will be mac and cheese, rather than three-cheese cavatappi. The updated lunch menu can be found at the link below.

Second marking period report cards will be made available to families of students in grades 1-5 via the Genesis Parent Portal on Monday after 4:00 p.m. As always, questions about report cards should be directed to your children's teachers. Thank you!

We have our next **Caring Communities** session on Wednesday morning. Thanks to help from our art teacher, Mrs. Mondanaro, this month's lesson has an art-themed SEL component, with particular focus on showing grit and the "power of yet". It should be fun!

We have our next **Student Council School Spirit Day** on Friday! Students are encouraged to wear Hillside gear or school colors! Thank you for your support!

Families are reminded that **school is in session on Monday, March 30th**. If your children will be absent from school that day, kindly enter their absences into the portal as soon as possible. This will allow us to plan appropriately for the day. Thanks so much!

LHS Silent Service Program 2026: Each year leading into Memorial Day weekend, Livingston High School (LHS) hosts a meaningful program for upperclassmen that honors the military sacrifices of Livingston residents: our *LHS Silent Service* program. In

collaboration with the Livingston VFW Post, LHS is looking to expand participation in the program and invites members of the Livingston community who are currently serving, or have served, in any branch of the United States military and are interested to be part of this program to complete [this form](#). This year, the Silent Service program will be at LHS on **Friday, May 22, 2026 at 8:30 a.m.** If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Dawn Feeley, LHS 7-12 Social Studies Supervisor (DFeeley@livingston.org) and Mrs. Sinéad Crews, LPS K-12 Director of School Counseling (SCrews@livingston.org).

Please take a moment to review the reminders below:

1. REMINDER! PTA Spring Fundraiser 2026! The biggest fundraising event of the year will be held on Thursday, April 23rd, at the Hanover Manor! This year's theme, "Glitter and Gatsby Gala" will surely be a hit. Please come and enjoy an evening of fun and prizes! A flyer with information can be found [here](#). The PTA needs your help to make this fundraiser a success. Family Sponsorship is a great way to contribute, and information can be found in [this document](#). We hope you will join us, and thank you for your anticipated support!

2. On the evening of Monday, March 23rd, the district science supervisor, Dr. Gemellaro, and the sixth grade STEMBassadors Club at MPMS are hosting a district **Science Fun Night** for students in grades 2-5 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Please see [this flyer](#) for more information.

3. The Hillside PTA is hosting a **Spring Apparel Sale** that can be found at [this link](#). There are a lot of fun items from which to choose! Don't miss out - the ordering deadline is March 25!

4. The Livingston Public Library is again hosting a Bookmark Design Contest. Please see [this flyer](#) for more information, and note that entries are due by March 31st. I hope many of our huskies participate!

5. Kindergarten registration for the 2026-27 school year is now open! If you have an incoming Kindergartener, please see registration information on the [district website](#) (scroll down on the main page). Looking forward to meeting next year's Kindergarten class soon enough! Thank you!

Thanks for reading, and enjoy the week ahead!

Best,
Dr. Gramata

[Click here for the school's online lunch menu!](#)



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Upcoming Dates to Remember!

(Calendar subject to change-please check back weekly!)

Week of March 23, 2026

- Monday, 3-23: Dental Health Assembly w/Dr. Harte, Grades K-2, 9:00 a.m.
Peer Mediation Training 5 (final), 11:03 a.m., Library
ASEs: Art (snow make-up day)
Second Marking Period Report Cards, Grades 1-5, Available to
Families in Genesis Portal after 4:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, 3-24: GT Art Trip to Summit Visual Arts Center
TREP\$ Workshop 4, 2:45 p.m.
BOE Voting Meeting/Budget Adoption, 7:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, 3-25: [PTA Apparel Sale](#) Ends
Caring Communities Session 5, 9:30 a.m.
Fifth Grade Musical Rehearsal, 2:45 p.m.
All Township Concert at LHS, 6:30 p.m.
- Thursday, 3-26: All Township Concert Snow Date
- Friday, 3-27: Fairness Pillar Unit of Study Ends
Student Council School Spirit Day - Wear Hillside Gear/School
Colors!

Sunday, 3-29: Palm Sunday

Week of March 30, 2026

Monday, 3-30: Schools Open (Snow day makeup)

Tuesday, 3-31: Schools Closed for Spring Break

Wednesday, 4-1: Happy Passover!
April Fool's Day
Schools Closed for Spring Break

Thursday, 4-2: Schools Closed for Spring Break

Friday, 4-3: Good Friday
Schools Closed for Spring Break

Sunday, 4-5: Happy Easter!

Week of April 6, 2026

Monday, 4-6: Easter Monday

Tuesday, 4-7: Fifth Grade Musical Rehearsal, 1:00 p.m.
LYCS Leaders Grade 3, 2:45 p.m.
TREP\$ Workshop 5, 2:45 p.m.
BOE Workshop Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 4-8: Fifth Grade District Math Benchmark Assessment
LYCS Leaders Grade 4, 2:45 p.m.
Fifth Grade Musical Rehearsal, 2:45 p.m.

Thursday, 4-9: TREP\$ Marketplace, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., Upper/Lower Gyms

Friday, 4-10: Student Council Assembly, 1:30 p.m.
PTA's After School Bake Sale

Sunday, 4-12: Orthodox Easter