

## **Homeroom 101 Bioeducational Newsletter**

We in 101 hope you and your families had a safe, and enjoyable Thanksgiving. We took this month to reflect on what we are thankful for, closing out the month with our longstanding tradition of the Lighthouse Thanksgiving feast. It was a great opportunity to discuss traditions and what roles they play in everybody's individual families. We enjoyed a meal as a Homeroom while practicing social skills and table manners. Students also had the opportunity to participate in many fun activities and games after our feast as a Homeroom. This month's Bioeducational theme was "Strength". Students were challenged to identify their own strengths, and we created a classroom tree where each student contributed a leaf representing a strength of their own. We have many student strengths to brag about in 101!

## **Homeroom 102 Bioeducational Newsletter**

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## **Homeroom 103 Bioeducational Newsletter**

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## **Homeroom 104 Bioeducational Newsletter**

We hope that everyone had a great Thanksgiving and enjoyed the time off. We were so lucky to have been able to share our Lighthouse Thanksgiving meal together again this year. We each had a hand in preparing the meal by peeling potatoes and squash in the gym as a Homeroom family. Then we gathered in the gym as a Lighthouse School Family to enjoy our Thanksgiving meal. It was great to see the staff and students from Mill Road. The Bioeducational theme this month was "Strengths". The students helped create our classroom bulletin board by writing some of their strengths on an arm that was making a muscle. They identified many of their strengths such as honesty, sense of humor, artistic, hardworking, friendly, and so many more. During Writer's Workshop, they also had the opportunity to write about the theme of strengths. They wrote about things that enable them to have strong bodies such as eating healthy, exercising, and staying hydrated. The students also wrote about who is the strongest person that they know. Some students chose family members, some chose super heroes, while others chose celebrities.

## **Homeroom 105 Bioeducational Newsletter**

November is historically a fun and exciting month at Lighthouse School, and it was certainly that way for Homeroom 105. The students helped take down the Halloween decorations in the Homeroom, and replaced them with Thanksgiving decorations. Additionally, the students did a great job of creating paper chains using Autumn/Thanksgiving colors and hanging them in the Homeroom. To coincide with the Thanksgiving theme, the students made various turkey crafts to hang up, including writing what they were thankful for on each turkey feather. Moreover, the students wrote what they were thankful for as part of their Writer's Workshop, and each of them did a fantastic job of coming up with different ideas. In addition to Thanksgiving, the students learned about another holiday celebrated this month, Veterans Day. In honor of this holiday, each student wrote a letter to a staff member at Lighthouse who is a veteran, and decorated the Homeroom door with poppies. Lastly, the entire school participated in a Thanksgiving dinner in the gym as one big family. We were so proud of the students for acting respectfully during this time together.

## **Homeroom 106/107 Bioeducational Newsletter**

We hope that you and your loved ones had a warm and safe Thanksgiving holiday this month! It is a holiday our Lighthouse School family holds very dear to our hearts as we reflect and share the people, things, and experiences we are thankful for with each other. We are all ecstatic to have been able to continue our tradition of cooking and eating Thanksgiving feast together as a Homeroom, school and family! We also got the opportunity to have an afternoon of fun activities that gives us more opportunities to practice our use of social skills, turn taking and making compromises. Our Bioeducational theme was "Strengths" this month. The kids all did a phenomenal job designing their "Slices of Strengths" pizza, customizing it with their favorite toppings and writing on the crust things that bring them strength. In Writer's Workshop, we started with what brings strengths to our bodies, then "who or what helps you when you feel weak?" and finally we finished the month with a composition on "how can we be a source of strength to others?" We also discussed the strength that is needed to serve our country as we celebrated Veteran's Day, honoring those who had served in the military!

## **Homeroom 108 Bioeducational Newsletter**

November brought with it the Bioeducational Theme of “Strengths.” Throughout the month we spent time talking about our strengths, what we think we’re good at, and also what we need to work on. Students used picture cues to help them identify things they thought they were good at. To go along with our theme, the Homeroom created a bulletin board with a theme of “Strut Your Strengths”. Everyone created a turkey and then used picture cues to identify a strength they had, and glued it to the belly of the turkey. It was a fun way to showcase each of our strengths. 2022 brought back the much loved and very missed Lighthouse tradition of the Lighthouse School Thanksgiving dinner. There was no better way to show strength and resilience than by once again coming together to put on a giant Thanksgiving dinner for the whole school. Both sites came together for the first time since 2019 to prepare for our annual Thanksgiving dinner. Homerooms worked together as a family to help peel potatoes and squash, while other Homerooms helped to roll silverware, prepare plates with celery and cream cheese, fill bowls with pickles and olives. Other students worked together to make decorations and set up the gym for the dinner. It was wonderful to see all the students and staff of all four clusters gathered together again in the gym to celebrate the holiday with each other once more.