



## Lyme School's New Kindergarten Teacher Joins an AMAZING team!

Yea, you can call it a dream team, I am not sure of the state of Mr. Dayno's slam dunk, but nonetheless this is a team which will bring home the gold. This year's line up is really exciting, our newest teacher Miss Scully will be teaching Kindergarten, Mrs. Wilcox will be teaching 1st grade, Ms. Campbell and Mrs. Fleming will be teaching second grade (If you have a 2nd grader, your class child's teacher is included in this mailing), after an incredibly impressive 1st year at the Lyme School, Mrs. Shipman will be teaching 3rd grade and Mr. Dayno will be teaching Fourth Grade. What a great group! As many of you will recall Danielle Scully, our new Kindergarten teacher, grew up in the Upper Valley and attended Hanover High School. Danielle graduated from Wellesley College and has a Masters Degree in Literacy from Bank Street Graduate School of Education. Danielle has taught in surrounding towns around Boston; in Brooklyn, NY and at the American School of London before returning back home to the Upper Valley with her new son, William (after all, the Upper Valley is THE place to raise children). Danielle enjoys teaching, reading & writing, spending time with William and her family, and being active-particularly by playing soccer.



### Welcome to the Lyme School, Danielle!

## What is INK

Albert Einstein was quoted as saying that "Imagination is more important than knowledge", quite a statement from someone who is often the symbol for academic knowledge, but it reinforces that even he saw the necessity for the development and emphasis of these two factors in educating the minds of our children. I began collecting work for **INK** (which stands for Imagination and Knowledge) as a way to feature the important balance between developing both the "mind of knowledge" and the "mind of imagination". DaVinci's Seven Principles may best capture this line of thinking:

- ARTE/SCIENZA** - The development of the balance between science and art, logic and imagination. "Whole-brain" thinking.
- CURIOSITA** - An insatiably curious approach to life and an unrelenting quest for continuous learning.
- DIMISTRAZIONE** - A commitment to test knowledge through experience, persistence, and a willingness to learn from mistakes.
- SENSAZIONE** - The continual refinement of the senses, especially sight, as the means to enliven experience.
- SFUMATO** (literally "going up in smoke") - A willingness to embrace ambiguity, paradox, and uncertainty.
- CORPORALITA** - The cultivation of grace, ambidexterity, fitness, and poise.
- CONNESSIONE** - A recognition of and appreciation for the interconnectedness of all things and phenomena.



## GOLDEN RULE:

Parents:

**Never Perseverate - Communicate!**  
Don't lose sleep or worry needlessly, together we can work on a solution.

Call me, stop by or send a telegram, I would love to hear from you. My hope is to ensure that before you lose any sleep worrying about something, you feel you can call to get the support, attention, information and reassurance you need.



## Local Farming, Composting, and Local Organic Foods for Hot Lunch ?...

### THE FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM.

Watch for the new things that will be taking place this year! More to come...



## Bus Routes

This coming year's routes will follow the same course and plan that they did at the end of the year.

Times may fluctuate based upon new or changing ridership and we should have a firmer schedule once things get started. In the mean time the morning and afternoon route are available at:

<http://www.Lymeschool.org/busroutemaps.html>

Buses generally start their route at 7:15 am. Specific times are effected by ridership, but if you have a specific question about arrival time at a specific stop call the school and we can give you a rough estimate.



## Ice Cream Social

Monday, August 29th at 6:00 pm

on the playground of the Lyme School



# Welcome Back !! It's going to be a great year!





Please Read Me!

**Its is not over yet...**

... but I just wanted to get word out that school is around the corner. (If you did not notice.) I am very excited to see everyone, as are all the teachers who have started coming in to get their classrooms ready. Here are just a few reminders for the start of school:

**First Day of School:**  
Wednesday, August 31st at 8:10

**Ice Cream Social**  
Monday, August 29th at 6:00 pm

on the playground of the Lyme School

We may not be the olympics, but we have a really nice tradition to the start of school, including the ringing of the old school bell, the parade of classes and the welcoming of the kindergarten by the 8th grade. The bell will be rung officially starting the school year at 8 am in front of the school on August 31st. Parents be sure to make it if you can and arrive before 8:00.



**School Board News  
Lunch Accounts**

This year our hot lunch program will operate slightly differently than in years past. Families will now have one lunch account shared by all of the families children as opposed to separate accounts. We hope this makes it easier for families. The most significant change is that families will need to keep a positive balance in the account in order for their child to receive hot lunch. **Students with a negative balance can no longer be provided with a lunch.** The school will notify the family when the account reaches \$25 and families are asked to send in a check immediately so that the account remains positive. We are asking that families initially deposit \$150 into their account. Lunches are \$2.75 and depending on the number of children you may elect to deposit more. Any unused balance can be returned or carried forward into the next year. Checks should be made out to the Lyme School.

Free and reduced lunch applications will be sent home with students on the first day of school. Please complete them if you qualify and return them immediately.

Please call the school if you have any questions or concerns.

**Parents' Reception**

On the first day of school following Opening Assembly, there will be a Parents' Reception in the lobby hosted by the PTO.



Message from the P.T.O.

See enclosed newsletter



**Lunch**  
Week of  
8/31 to 9/2



<b>Wednesday</b>	Chicken Nuggets Veggie Burgers Plain Pasta Peas Garden salad Apples & Oranges
<b>Thursday</b> 	Chicken Teriyaki Rice Zucchini / Corn Bread Garden salad Apples & Oranges
<b>Friday</b> 	Grilled Cheese Sandwich on Wheat or White bread Hot Vegetable Garden Salad Popsicles

Al a carte Fruit and Milk are available everyday



**THE FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM.**  
Whenever possible we try to find local or healthy options for our lunch program. These options are based upon quality, availability, cost and appeal to students.

Look for the logo and you will know where local items are served



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You may print color copies of the Newsletters at: [www.LymeSchool.org](http://www.LymeSchool.org)



CONVERSE FREE LIBRARY

**Summer Reading Program  
Closing Activity**

Monday, August 29  
at 5:30  
on the Library Lawn

Hot Lunch Discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly. "In accordance with Federal law and US Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 or (202) 720-6382 (TTY). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer."