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THE LYME SCHOOL

Newsletter



Opening Day

After a summer in a school without its students, it is always great to see them back. While some of our students may have wanted summer to last a little bit longer, it was nice to see so many smiling faces, halls filled with students, and classes busily at work. At our Opening Assembly we built on the tradition of the eighth grade greeting our kindergarten class. For many of our students it was not long ago that they stared with awe and admiration into the eyes of the eighth graders who, at the time, seemed so old and mature.

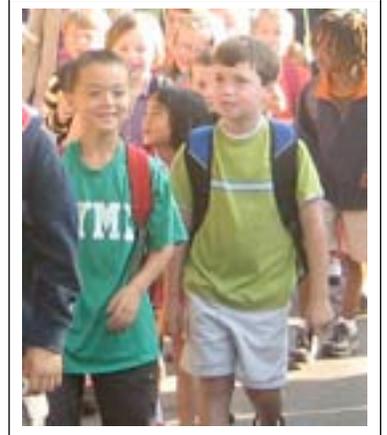
Morning Meeting

Parents are invited to join us on Mondays, (Middle School) Wednesdays (Middle School - student led), and Fridays (whole school) for morning meeting from 8:15 - 8:30. The purpose of Morning Meeting is to gather together, so students not only identify themselves with a specific grade, but also as a part of a larger community. We can discuss topics, events or issues which impact our community and present what is happening in our individual classes. We present information about school events, student accomplishments, curricular activities and special presentations or observances. Your participation represents the broader community and how we are not only a part of the school community, but also an important part of the town community as well.



Building Community

This year the school will work on developing its code of ethics. Students and teachers will work to articulate what behaviors and values we hope to instill within our school. We began our discussions on ethics as a faculty last year. Five faculty members met this summer, and it is now time to include our students and parents in these discussions. If you were with us for our opening ceremonies, you had the pleasure of seeing Harry Potter (Zach Estes) share an ethical dilemma he encountered in the latest book. To begin this process, the middle school will be meeting Thursday and



Friday this week, first in small groups and then with everyone together. They will then be given a homework assignment to discuss shared values with their families. The lower school grades will have begun their discussions on what it is we value by the time you get this letter, and it would be wonderful if you, too, could continue this in your homes.

We are all very excited about the opportunity to begin this work and to develop a school-wide code of ethics. Fran Gardent, our Art teacher, has been busy creating a symbol to represent our code of ethical behavior.

We are very fortunate to have a school where the values will most likely be discussing, are evident in our community. We believe that maintaining a positive school climate depends upon the attention it is given. Lyme School is fortunate to have a very positive and healthy school climate, we believe that this work on community values and ethics will continue allow to focus our energies on the learning and development of our student's emotional, social, academic and physical growth and well being in order that they can aspire to be the best they can be. We will keep you posted on our work as we progress.

Thank you for welcoming us into the life of your family.

Jeff Valence, School Principal



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In this Mailing:
Soccer Signups
Emergency Contact Cards
Permission Forms
Free & Reduced Lunch Application
Bus Forms
School Calendar
and more.....

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This is a great opportunity to learn about your child's school and his/her classroom.

There will be a parent & student open house for grades K-4 on October 18th.

The PTO will be present at the Information Night to answer questions and provide information on their programs.

Hanover Hockey - Skate Sale, Registration, Clinics

The Hanover Hockey Association (HHA) will hold its annual skate sale in conjunction with registration on Saturday, September 8, 2007 at Campion Rink. This is a great opportunity to get rid of old equipment in your basement, help equip new skaters (as well as some older ones!), and raise money for HHA programs. Equipment can be dropped off between 8:00-9:30am and the sale will run from 9:30am to 1:00pm. Registration is from 9am to 1pm. Free clinics - Sep 7 - 9: Have a son or daughter who'd like to try it, without buying gear or committing to a program? HHA is holding 3 one-hour clinics for boys and girls ages 5 - 10 at Campion rink, and the hockey gear will be provided. See details at www.Hanoverhockey.org

The Hanover Hockey association serves boys and girls ages 4 - 15 from Lyme, Hanover and Norwich.



Welcome Back Home, Mrs. D!

Mrs. D surely needs no introduction. However, we want to welcome her back from her sabbatical last spring. It is great to have her back in the building where she belongs!



Welcome Mr. Terry !

Mr. Terry returns this year after his internship here at the Lyme School and at Hanover High School. Mr. Terry was hired to teach two sections of Social Studies and act as a middle school aide due to the growth of our Middle School population..



Welcome Ms. DeCocco !

Mr. Dayno is joined by Ms. DeCocco, an intern from the Upper Valley Teacher Institute, who will work with Mr. Dayno and his 4th grade class for the first half of the year. Previously, Ms. DeCocco worked at the Marion Cross School and as a journalist.



Lunch
Week of
9/4 to 9/7



Monday	No School
Tuesday	Spaghetti Bread Garden Salad Ice Cream
Wednesday	Turkey Tacos Garden Salad Mixed Fruit Cake
Thursday	Grilled Cheese & Tomato Soup Crackers Garden Salad Fresh Fruit Cookies
Friday	Homemade Thin Crust & Thick Crust Pizza Garden Salad Mixed Fresh Fruit Rainbow Sherbet Cup

* Sides such as tuna, chicken or cheese are occasionally available with salad course.



Milk is available everyday at Lunch



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Message
from the

P.T.O.

Thank you PTO for the Ice Cream Social and the Parent Reception!

Birthday Book Club is coming! Last year, Seventy books were donated to the children's library collection. We apologize for not including this program in our PTO newsletter. Look for more information in next week's newsletter.

CONVERSE FREE LIBRARY

Tuesdays at 10:30, Social Hour for Preschoolers, siblings and parents September 11 - Thanksgiving. Informal with stories and crafts

Wednesday evenings 4:30-6:00 starting September 12. Snacks, socializing, book selection, and informal storytelling