

Humble Beginnings to Huge Success!

Students of the Lyme School were introduced to Jason Chin, illustrator and writer, as well as Lyme School Alum. As a result of the Trina Schart Hyman Lecture Series, The Converse Library and the Friends of the Library, students were able to ask Jason questions about his new book "Redwoods". Prior to questions, Jason read his story to the students as he remembered hearing Trina Schart Hyman read her books 16 or so years ago when Jason

was a student sitting on the library floor. When asked when he started drawing Jason replied "Very early. I was always drawing... even during class or in the margins of my homework." (I would like to enter that as exhibit A to all my old teachers who thought I was wasting class time -- maybe as principal I should not admit that). From his humble beginnings of an illustrator of homework assignments to a published illustrator of children's books, Jason has accomplished quite a bit since his time here at the Lyme School. Despite likely comments from his teachers to stop doodling, Jason's work reminds us that imagination can not be suppressed and usually becomes something of greatness. Jason's talents and imagination are vividly displayed through his work. The breadth



of his style and approach to his illustrations is evident in the five other books he has illustrated - all of which are available in the Converse Library. It was notable that also present in the audience was another Lyme graduate who has pursued a career in writing -- Anna Super, reporter for the Spectator. There is no greater reward for teachers than to see their students have found their passions/ interests and share them with us. Thanks to all who have made this day happen.

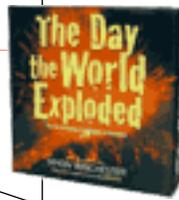
INK Spot Imagination and Knowledge

A Perfect Example

Jason Chin's new book "Redwoods" is a perfect example of Imagination and Knowledge. Jason used his illustration talents and imagination combined with his knowledge and interest in redwood trees to create his new book. So what does he have to say about the importance of imagination?

"Imagination allows us to understand one another... to imagine what it would be like to be someone else, if we lack this ability we lack the ability to effectively communicate."

"Imagination is critical if we desire to do something other than we are doing now. If we can imagine ourselves doing something we are more likely to achieve it."



IN THIS NEWSLETTER MAILING:

Next Year's School Calendar
&
An Important Health Notice





8th Grade to Washington DC
June 1st to the 5th



Maypole Celebration

May 29th at 12:45

ON THE GREEN • ALL ARE WELCOME



Spring Concert
June 9th at 7:00
Band and Chorus

Kindergarten Registration:



Friday, May 15th

Call 795-2125

to reserve a 20 minute time slot

Message from the

P.T.O.

**THE BULB-A-THON
BULBS ARE IN BLOOM!**

Enjoy them on the Green, in front of the library and in front of the school

Congratulations to the Kindergarten and 3rd Grade classes for collecting the most Box Tops in March! The two classes tied with an average of 20.7 Box Tops collected by each student. Kindergartners and 3rd graders can look forward to ice cream treats coming their way soon.

The next Box Top collection (the last of the 2008-2009 school year!) will be on June 11th. For the final collection, the first AND second place winners (the two classes who collect the most Box Tops) will receive ice cream. And any class that collects an average of at least 10 Box Tops per student will receive prizes.

Clip and save! Each Box Tops earns Lyme School 10 cents. So far this year we've collected \$558.90 worth of Box Tops. Well done! We are only \$141.10 away from reaching our goal or \$700.00!

Thanks to all the students and families who have been collecting Box Tops for Lyme School.

Lyme Summer Recreation Pond Program 2009

Once again the Lyme Summer Pond Program is being offered to the children of Lyme!

When:

June 29 – July 3 • July 6- July 10
July 13- July 17 • July 20- July 24

Where: Chase Beach at Post Pond

Cost: \$55 per week per child
Families with three or more children enrolled, \$40 per week per child.

Who can join: Any child age 4 (by December 31st, 2009) through fifth grade.

Hours: 8:30AM- 12 Noon

Activities available: Red Cross swimming lessons, sports, arts and crafts, drama, read aloud and group free choice.

Applications due by June 5th, 2009 to guarantee your child's spot at camp!

Please contact Torey Cutting, Pond Program Director, at 603 276-0106 with any questions.



Lunch
Week of
5/4 to 5/8



Monday	Chicken or veggie burger on bun Tater tots Garden Salad & Hot Vegetable Peaches, Applesauce, & Oranges or Watermelon
Tuesday	Soft tortilla tacos w/shredded lettuce, salsa, cheese Corn Bread Garden Salad & Hot Vegetable Oranges & Apples
Wednesday	Grilled Cheese Sandwich on Wheat or White bread Homemade Chicken Soup Saltine crackers Garden Salad Peaches or Grapes & Applesauce
Thursday	Create Your Own Bagel Cream Cheese • Ham • Turkey Jelly • Lettuce • Cheese Garden Salad Apples & Peaches Cookies
Friday	Homemade Meatball and Vegetarian Pizza Garden Salad Apples & Oranges Popsicles



8 varieties of Milk and Juice are available everyday with hot lunch or a la carte
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



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or just stop by.



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www.LymeSchool.org

CONVERSE FREE LIBRARY

Mothers' Day gift making

with Toni Gildone

Thursday, May 7 at 2PM

for Grades 3-8.

*It's a secret, so we can't tell,
but it's extra neat and special.*

*To help us plan for materials, a call to
express interest would be appreciated.*

795-4622

