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# Newsletter



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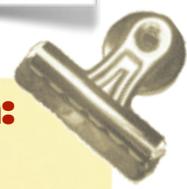
## National French Week Comes to Lyme

This week Students in 5th to 8th grade have been celebration National French Week. Each class is directing a play based upon a familiar children's story which will be performed for the entire school in French. Student also prepared French food (and yes, it was très bon) . Our own Chef Micelli even prepared a special French Lunch on Thursday which was enthusiastically devoured by 130 people consisting of Grand Marnier Chicken, Fresh Baguettes, Aligot Moroccan Carrots and Tomato & Mozzarella Salad.



## Sixth Grade Travels to Boston

This year's sixth grade trip to Boston went off with out a hitch and followed the planned schedule with scientific precision The precision was no doubt in part due to the fact that one of the chaperones was Mr. Pendleton. The group arrived in Concord for a presentation on the Revolutionary War's Minute Men. Students then traveled to Bunker Hill and on to the oldest commissioned ship in the Navy, *the Constitution* (Old Iron Sides). Students then boarded a ferry to the Aquarium and along the way viewed Boston Harbor and the Old North Church. At the Aquarium students toured the exhibits and studied intertidal organisms in a special hands on program. After dinner at Quincy Market students walked the Freedom Trail to learn about its role in the opening days of the Revolution. The day ended with a twilight tour of Copp's Hill Cemetery. Thank you to all the chaperones.



### Note the Correction:

CONFERENCE WEEK:

November 16-20

School Dismissal Times:

Monday - Wednesday: 1:30 pm (K 11:00)

Thursday: 2 pm (K 12:30)

Friday: 1:30 pm (K 11:00)

## Boston Trip '09



Volunteers Ski Instructors  
**WANTED:**

I hope that you will consider joining Team SPECTRA this winter. Everyone involved, instructors as well as children, benefit from this terrific, low key program. If you are interested in helping, please contact Bill Proom at 667-8946 or by email at bill.proom@gfplp.com.

2009 Annual  
Winter Talent Show



FRIDAY,  
DECEMBER 4TH  
Sign up at lunch  
time on November  
9th, and 10th

Lunch

Week of  
11/16 to 11/20



<p><b>Monday</b> <b>1:30 pm</b> <b>Dismissal</b></p>	<p><b>BURGER DAY!</b> Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers or Veggie Burgers Steak Fries Garden Salad Corn Cantaloupe, Watermelon</p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b> <b>1:30 pm</b> <b>Dismissal</b></p>	<p>Stuffed Pasta Shells or Plain Pasta Dinner Rolls Garden Salad Broccoli Sliced Oranges, Grapes Rainbow Sherbet</p>
<p><b>Wednesday</b> <b>1:30 pm</b> <b>Dismissal</b></p>	<p>Grilled Cheese Sandwich (white or whole wheat bread) Corn Chowder Garden Salad Cucumbers, Carrots, Celery Applesauce, Watermelon</p>
<p><b>Thursday</b> <b>2:00 pm</b> <b>Dismissal</b> <b>(REGULAR)</b></p>	<p>Hot Dogs or Veggie Burgers Roasted Potatoes Chips with Salsa Garden Salad Corn Sliced Oranges, Apples</p>
<p><b>Friday</b> <b>1:30 pm</b> <b>Dismissal</b></p>	<p><b>SOFT SHELLED TACOS</b> Beef, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese, Salsa Garden Salad Honey Dew, Sliced Oranges Cornbread</p>

Message from the  
**P.T.O.**

**BORDERS Book Fair**

Putting Books Back into the  
PTO Book Fair

This year, as an alternative to the Scholastic Book Fair, the Lyme School PTO is sponsoring a book sale in conjunction with Borders book store in West Lebanon. The sale will take place in the school lobby next Monday through Friday, November 16 through 20.

For the past few years, the PTO has held a book fair sponsored by Scholastic, Inc., the world's largest publisher and distributor of children's books. Some parents, however, have expressed concern over the increasingly commercial nature of many of the books offered by Scholastic, the tie-ins to television and movie characters, and the proliferation of non-book items, such as toys, electronic media, novelty pens and pencils, calendars, posters, even fashion accessories-- items that seem more about turning children into consumers than about encouraging them to read. Our hope is that, through Borders, we will be able to offer books with more literary merit. There will be no discount on the prices of the books, but 25% of sales will go to the Lyme School PTO to support its Artist-in-Residence program.

The Lyme School is not alone in seeking alternatives to Scholastic. An increasing number of schools across the country are now working with independent booksellers to hold "Commercial-Free Book Fairs." According to the Campaign for a Commercial Free Childhood, such book fairs help schools and communities:

- \* raise funds in a manner consistent with their educational mission by promoting literacy instead of the popular media;
- \* enrich classroom and library book collections;
- \* support local businesses; and
- \* start a much-needed discussion about corporate marketing in schools.

While Borders is not an independent bookseller, but part of an international chain, our thinking was that it does employ local people and thus benefits the local economy. In the future, we may try to team with other, more truly local, booksellers. We'd welcome any thoughts and ideas you might have about this. Please help make the Book Fair a success by stopping by during sale hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:00-8:30 a.m., 11:00-11:30 a.m., and 1:30-2:30 p.m.; and Thursday from 8:00-8:30 a.m., 12:30-1:00 p.m., 2:00-3:00 p.m., and 5:00-7:00 p.m. On Thursday evening, the 6th grade will be holding a bake sale in conjunction with the Book Fair from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

We will also be collecting donations of new and good-quality used children's books for a family that recently lost many books in a home fire. Look for the donation box in the school lobby during the Book Fair.

Thanks for supporting the Lyme School PTO!

**In the School Lobby Nov. 16-20**

Al a carte Fruit and Milk  
are available everyday



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**CONVERSE FREE LIBRARY**

Monday, November 16 at 1:30 (early release day)

Grades 1&2 "It's in a book" program

BOOK: Hurry, Hurry, Mary Dear

CRAFT: Bird feeders

Children accompanied from the school  
pick-up time 3PM.

Remember Saturday, November 21st 10:00-11:15

Lyme's authors and illustrators of children's books

Read and draw from their books

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."