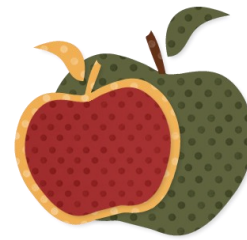


LUDLOW AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

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NEW SESSION BEGINS MARCH 1, 2010

Next week the ASP will begin it's 4th session of the 2009/2010 school year! I apologize for getting this newsletter out so late as I suffered every technical difficulty imaginable this session! Despite those issues, our staff has come up with some great ideas for the last regular session of the year!

Once again, this will be the last session of programming offered by the Ludlow Recreation Department, as always spring is a busy time of year for them. Also, this year the Ludlow ASP has decided to go with alternate programming for our final session. Please read page two for full details about our session 5 programming and check out www.bigtopadventures.com for more information. Please note that the ASP will continue to offer programs throughout the school year and these programming changes will not affect cost.

I am so excited about the great opportunities that we are offering this session. Some of my favorites look to be: Sewing your very own pjs, "egg-citing" science experiments, guitar lessons, kite making, and ping pong!

If you have expertise or experience with any of these activities please let us know we are always looking for parent/grandparent volunteers. Extra hand to sew or strum a few cords would be very helpful.

If you have any questions regarding programming or fees, please contact me directly at the number listed above or vgslwhit@yahoo.com. Also remember that the LES website has an online version of this newsletter as well as links to registration forms.

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM SESSION 3

As we prepare to put an end to session 3 I am reminded of all the fun adventures that I had the privilege of watching over the past 6 weeks.

*8 LES students help cheer the Ludlow 5/6 grade boys to a 2nd place finish at the to Ludlow Tournament.

*Paper Making kids made the most beautiful Valentine's Day Cards for friends & family.

*I saw several kids outside laughing and rolling on the ground in 10 degree weather while playing Hockey Ball

*Lots of cooking students had cheese and spaghetti sauce on their faces while whipping up some Panini's!

*Everyone had fun swimming, although I heard the pool got a little crowded.

*Multicultural kids stayed busy learning board games from around the world—they seemed a little tricky.

*Students in blanket making snuggled right up to the work and in no time Hope Kelley was sleeping with her pillow nightly, not to mention the ink on Jonathan Oakes hands from all the hard work.

GREAT JOB GUYS!

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WINTER SPORTS

With LES students continuing to participate in various winter sports activities the ASP will remain closed on Wednesdays until the end of these programs.

We will resume our full week of activities on March 10th, unless a make-up day should occur.

We hope everyone has a great time enjoying the winter wonders our region has to offer!

STAFF HIGHLIGHTS~PROGRAM ASSISTANTS

The LES After School Program could not offer the quality programs we do without our wonderful staff. Along with our Assi. Site Coordinator we are lucky to employ 3 Program Assistants. These program assistants help with all aspects of the ASP, including homework club, snack, and enrichment activities. This session we would like to introduce Denise Dean.

In addition to working with the ASP, Denise also works as a Para-Educator at Black River High School/Middle School. This is Denise's 3rd year of working with the ASP.

One of the great things about working with Denise is that she treats all the children as if they are her own and she claims, "They bring out the best in me!" Some of her favorite ASP activities include music and art.

Another big part of Denise's life is her family, they include: David 28, Adam 24 and Madison, a 5th grader at LES. Denise is also the proud grandmother of Adrianna Mae Dean. To round out her family life she has 3 cats and 6 fish.

Denise is a wonderful contributor to our program and we look forward to seeing what other "egg-citing" activities she has to share.

ALL ASP REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RETURNED BY 02/26/10 IN ORDER TO START THE 4TH SESSION ON MON. MARCH 1ST

BIG TOP ADVENTURE COMES TO ASP

The ASP is looking to make a big production of the final session of the 2009/2010 school year. In order to provide the best programming for your child we wanted to let you know of this exciting opportunity well in advance.

We are fortunate enough this year to be able to offer a culminating session to this years program. For the final 6 weeks the ASP will be

enrolled in Big Top Adventure "Camp". All participants in the last session will work to create a circus atmosphere including, backdrops, acts, characters, and much more. We are excited to have Troy Wunderle join us for 6 days. Troy will first engage our group in what we need to do to accomplish our Big Top Show. After spending time completing those projects

Troy will return to the ASP to teach Circus skills and help host our school wide show!

After the school performance the ASP will be hosting a community showing of our Big Top Circus and provide dinner for all ASP participants and their families.

More information about this exciting opportunity will follow in the Session 5 newsletter!



SURVEY TIME

Beginning this school year myself and our Program Director have been enrolled in a class revolving around evaluations. As a result of this class the ASP has recently adopted a new set of surveys for our program.

We hope that these new surveys will help parents, teachers, and students give us honest feedback that can potentially change our programs for the better.

Within the next few weeks we will be sending home the parent surveys. Surveys should be completed and returned in the envelope provided by the program. All surveys are private and do not require your name.

Again, please return these survey to the school as they allow us to "grade" our program and make changes when needed. Surveys will also be posted on the web for convenience.

BUS POLICY

If you are not at the bus stop when your child is dropped off the bus will transport your child to the police station where you will need to pick them up.

Students
 Name _____
 Grade _____ Age _____
 Gender _____
 Phone # _____
 Emergency Contact Name:

I will be attending the ASP on:

- Monday Tuesday
 Wednesday Thursday
 Friday

My child will be participating in the Activities that I have selected from 3:45-5:15pm on the days I am signed up for.

I understand that I am responsible for paying fees associated with all ASP activities regardless of attendance. I understand that I am obligated to give a two week notice if I wish to cancel my child's enrollment in the ASP.

Emergency Contact Number

My child will be attending Home-work Club/Aftercare only on:

- Monday Tuesday
 Wednesday Thursday

I understand that payment is due the Monday before the week of attendance, and that I must pay 2 weeks up front to reserve my space. I also understand that if I do not pay for 2 weeks that my child will no longer be able to attend.

My child will...

- be picked up by

 ride the bus home

*Children must be picked up by 3:45 for Aftercare prices-no exceptions

Parents Name: _____
 Parent's Signature: _____
 Email: _____

Space is limited in specific activities-enrollment in these activities will be on a 1st come 1st serve basis, including payment.

MONDAY

- Multi-cultural: Open to students in grades K-6.No limit. Session Focus~ Games
- Sewing: Students will learn the basics of sewing through making their very own pj pants and other small projects. Limit of 10.
- **Free Swim. Students will be transported to Jackson Gore. Lifeguards will be provided. Open to intermediate and high swimmer. No Limit

TUESDAY

- Science Experiments 101: Open to students in grades K-6. No limit. Session Focus ~Eggs
- Guitar Lessons: Open to students in grades 3-6. Students will learn basic skills and cords on the guitar. Limited to 10. Serious students only please!
- **Art with Ms. K: Open to students in grades K-6.Students will be painting individual pieces on canvas. Limit 15

WEDNESDAY

- Math Fun: Students will use geometry and measurements to create kites. Open to students in grades K-6. No limit.
- Making Instruments: Students will create musical instruments using recycled materials. Open to students in grades 2-6. Limit 12 students
- Indoor/Outdoor Sports: Activities will include team sports such as kickball, wiffleball, and much more. Open to students in grades K-6. No limit.

THURSDAY

- Literacy Lovers: Open to students in grades K-6. No limit. Session Focus~ Writing
- Navigating through Nature: Students will participate in weekly adventures through the forest, using gps, compasses and scavenger hunts. 2-6 No limit
- **Ping/Pong; Students will learn basic skills in table tennis. Open to students in grades K-6. No Limit

FRIDAY

- Cooking and PE for grades K-6. No Limit. Session Focus~ Internationally cooking
- Playground and Movies. Depending on the weather and participants interest students will engage in either activity. Open to grades k-6. No limit. Movies will be rated G or PG.

NOTE TO PARENTS

Please consult with your child before signing them up for activities. There is nothing worse than having a student enrolled in a program they are not interested in. Any student who does not want to participate or behaves inappropriately during an activity will have his/her parent called and asked to pick them up immediately

**These Rec Activities have additional charges of \$2/day

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SHARE YOUR HOBBIES AND
TALENTS WITH A
CHILD...VOLUNTEER!

REGISTRATION CHECK LIST

- Complete top and bottom portion of the registration sheet (pg 3)
- Complete Parent information sheet, Incomplete forms will be returned.
- Complete pay schedule paperwork.
- Be sure to include payment, a two week deposit is required.
- Make checks to Rutland Windsor Supervisory Union
- Wait to receive a confirmation sheet guaranteeing your students enrollment
- Plan ahead and make sure your child is prepared for activity
- Apply for Subsidy through the State of Vermont at 886-4252
- All registration sheets can be returned to LES in your child's classroom folder