



LUDLOW AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM  
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# ASP INFORMER

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## TIMES FLIES WHEN YOU'RE HAVING FUN....

Nothing compares to the smiles and excitement that we have the honor of experiencing day after day in the afterschool program. But it never fails that just as we, and the kids get into the groove of things it's time for the session to be over! Just today I heard a 3rd grader exclaim, "this is the last week, you mean we won't be doing these same activities next week? But I really like my activities!" As the heading reads, 7 weeks sure does fly by fast! But soon we will begin a new session and hopefully the kids will be just as excited to experience new programming as our staff is in providing creative learning opportunities.

In session 3 we will be bringing back swimming and Odyssey of the Mind. However, Odyssey is only open to students who participated in this activity last

session. New in session 3 we are offering a variety of activities that focus of physical fitness, art, academics, and cultural studies.

Please notice that we will not be open next week, and will not reopen until the second week in January. Make sure that you have alternative care scheduled for these two weeks.

You will find a parent survey included in this survey, please take the time to complete it as this helps us to improve our programs. You may return the survey to your child's classroom teacher at any point.

Thank you all for a wonderful end to 2010. We would like to wish you all a safe and happy holiday season!

*Venissa*

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## IMPORTANT DETAILS

### Bussing Policy

Due to daylight saving time, 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. Make sure you are there to pick up your child! The bus leaves LES between 5:05 and 5:10 daily.

### Winter Clothing

The ASP requires that children wear appropriate clothing during the winter months. This includes; boots, coats, snow pants, mittens and a hat. Children who are not dressed for the weather will sit out of the activity or be required to stand next to the wall during outside time. Please plan accordingly.

### ASP Closings

Due to recent issues I would like to restate that the ASP does not operate during "short" weeks at LES, if there is a school week with less than 4 days -the ASP does not operate. Therefore we will not be open during Christmas week! Please see the ASP calendar on the LES website for more dates.

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**Subsidy Information**

Families with children enrolled in the ASP may apply for Child Care Subsidy. This is a great option for working parents. Subsidy will cover the entire cost of our program & once the initial paperwork is complete requires no work for parents. If you would like information or subsidy paperwork you will find it in the LES main office, you can call the Springfield Area Parent Child Center

**ASP&FLETCHER LIBRARY**

We are happy to announce that we are expanding our community partners and adding weekly programming at Fletcher Memorial Library. On Tuesdays we will travel into town to participate in literacy activities and crafts with the new librarian; Lindsay Grattan. Lindsay became the Youth Librarian in August. Before moving to VT she worked for almost 10 years at the public library in her native Long Island. After a hiatus working with bagels, she is thrilled to be working with kids and books again!

If you have a chance stop in and say "Hi"!

**PARENT SURVEYS**

The ASP is committed to learning as much about our programming as possible and we want to know what you have to say!

In this newsletter you will find a survey that ask your opinion about our programming, affordability, convenience, and how we can improve our program.

Much of the Ludlow ASP funding comes from grants, this information will help us to secure future funds, and allow us to highlight what we are doing well.

Please take the time to complete this for us!

**ALL ASP  
REGISTRATION  
FORMS MUST BE  
RETURNED BY  
1/5/11 IN  
ORDER TO START  
THE 1ST SESSION  
ON MONDAY  
JANUARY 10TH.**

**HIGHLIGHTS FROM SESSION 2**

It was hard to choose this sessions highlights from all the wonderful things I saw kids doing during the past 7 weeks, but here we go!

\*Computer games were a big hit this session as students accessed the school lab and used teacher recommended links to enhance academic learning.

\*Odyssey of the Mind students were very busy working on

Literature based learning, many of the participants were reading: Peter Pan, Pippy Long Stockings, Moby Dick, and Little Woman.

\*Students enrolled in the LPCTV activity experienced the ups and downs of creating a T.V show. Look for Kids By Kids on your public access channel soon!

\*Outside sports was a blast

this session with participants playing hockey, basketball, soccer, and more

\*The Readers Theater group took the popular children's book Halitosis and created a play. The group had fun assigning parts, writing the script and performing for Kids By Kids.

\*Kids in Lotions and Potions made great smelling gifts for family and friends.

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

- 12/18 Last Day Session 2
- 12/20-12/23 No ASP
- 1/3-1/7 No ASP
- 1/10 Session 3 Begins
- 1/17 No School
- 1/24 No School In Service

**NO MORE WEDNESDAYS AT THE ASP**

Ludlow is fortunate to have a wonderful winter sports program that gives children the opportunity to spend quality time enjoying Vermont's terrific winter season. For this reason, we have decided that we will not be running the ASP on Wednesdays throughout the winter season.

Unfortunately this also means that we will not be providing

services on the Wednesday early release days during the winter months. Please plan accordingly.

Don't worry, as soon as the winter sports session ends we will return to serving a full weeks worth of activities.

We hope that you will sign your child up to participate in one of the schools many winter activities. For more

information regarding these activities please speak to your child's teacher or school administrator.



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 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 Homework Club— Tardy pick will result in a fee.

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	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Chinese Shadow Puppets: Students will learn the art of making shadow puppets Open to student in grades 3-6. Limit of 12</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Animals in Winter: Learn how animals survive during the long Vermont winter, create food sources. No limit.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Swimming; Open to intermediate swimmers. Limit 12 **</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Odyssey of the Mind:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Crafts @ Fletcher Memorial Library. Students will be actively involved in storytelling and writing as well as art projects. Limit 12 Open to grades K-4</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Clay Pots: Students will paint and create art using clay pots. Limit of 12 students. **</p>	 <p><b>LES WINTERSPORTS, NO ASP!</b></p>
THURSDAY	FRIDAY	OFFICE USE
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Odyssey of the Mind:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Stamp Prints: Students will make their own stamps as well as create art using stamps. No limit</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Snowshoeing: Students will need to be dressed appropriately. Snowshoes will be supplied. Limit of 12</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Cooking: Students Choice! Students will choose recipes to create a yummy meal.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Playground and Movies. Depending on the weather and participants interest students will engage in either activity. Open to grades k-6. No limit</p> <p>**These Rec Activities have additional charges of \$2/day</p>	<p>You will receive a confirmation stamp here when confirmed:</p> <p>WEEKLY FEE DUE: _____</p>

## OTHER R.E.C ACTIVITIES & SCHEDULES

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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 each 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