



learning community charter school

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FRIDAY FLIER (11/13/09)

1) PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES - Tuesday., 11/17, HALF-DAY DISMISSAL.

► **NOTE: NO WALK-IN** appointments will be available! You must call to schedule a time.

While their parents are conferencing, K-4 students may stay for free at **THINK TANK**.

- **ALL GRADES** must call the main desk at school, 201-332-0900, to make appointments.
- Report cards will be distributed.
- **KIND. – 4th GRADE** appointments are available from 1 pm – 4:30 pm and 5:10 pm – 7 pm. **MIDDLE SCHOOL** teachers are available from 1 pm – 5pm and 5:30 – 7:30 pm for one hour blocks during which families will see all teachers. The last appointment for M.S. is at 6:30 pm.
 - Six families of 5th/6th grades and 7th/8th grades will be scheduled for each hour.
 - Families should come promptly at the beginning of the hour for which they are scheduled!!
 - Middle School students are encouraged to attend conferences with their parents.
- **HALF-DAY DISMISSAL** is at 12:20. **THINK TANK** is available from 12:20 – 6 pm.

2) **H1N1 CONSENT FORM** is being sent home today with every student. The vaccine is not yet available to LCCS but forms should be returned by 11/18 so the vaccine can be administered as soon as the supply arrives. Please read the form instructions carefully.

3) **INNISBROOK ORDERS** will be ready on Tuesday for pick-up. Kind. – 4th grade packages will not be sent home with students on the bus. They will be available for pick up in your child's classroom or the auditorium at dismissal from school. 5th – 8th grade packages will be sent home with students unless you contact me to hold on to them. Some items may have been back-ordered. That will be indicated on the label and those items will follow shortly.

4) **BEAUTIFY YOUR HAIR** at a hair accessory fundraiser! Sale will be in the **AUDITORIUM** at dismissal! Beautiful headbands, barrettes, bow- holders, hats and many more handmade accessories. **WHEN: 11/16th, 18th, 19th, and 20th** after school. **WHERE:** In the auditorium at dismissal and at the front desk after 3:30. Sample items are on view in the main office.

5) **TWO CHANCES** to enjoy a delicious meal at **MADAME CLAUDE CAFÉ**.

- **Holiday Dinner AND Wine Tasting on 12/14.** Enjoy a delicious four course meal and wine instruction from an expert and win a chance for a private wine tasting in your home. \$80 for one person or \$150 for two. For more information or to reserve a seat, please call Yeon Benkovitz at 201-988-3076. *Flier is attached for details.*
- **Buy a raffle ticket for \$10** and win a dinner for two that will include a lovely gift basket of wine, cheese and more. Valued at \$250, tickets are available at the front desk or at the restaurant. The drawing will be on **12/21**.

6) **THE 4th ANNUAL PENNY DRIVE** begins **Monday, 11/16:** Once again it is time to collect those pennies! (bigger change and dollars are welcome too!) In the past three years we have raised over \$8000 for three organizations: the Sharing Place Food Program in Jersey City; Play Pumps, who install water pumps in Africa that work as merry-go-rounds; and an organization that clears land mines in war zones. **This year we will be raising funds for the food pantry at St. Aloysius Church, our neighbor on West Side Avenue.** The food pantry provides food to our neighbors in the community. This is a way for us to honor the name of the school that was in our building for

decades as well as make a positive impact on our immediate community! Please turn in money collected to your child's teacher. The drive will end on Friday, **12/18**.

- 7) **THE NOVEMBER PTO** meeting will be on Wed. **11/18** at 7 pm. LCCS parent Corinne Mulrenan has generously offered to host the meeting. Her address is 330 Montgomery Street. The PTO welcomes all interested parents. Come to join and help LCCS. Please email Laura McDonald at lauramcdonald2@verizon.net for more information and to RSVP.
- 8) Families are welcome to attend the pre-Thanksgiving **K-4 SING-ALONG ASSEMBLY** on Wednesday, **11/25** from 9:00 – 9:30 am in the auditorium (5th graders are welcome.)
- 9) **BIRTHDAY PARTY TREATS:** Parents are welcome to bring special treats for their children's birthdays. Please deliver treats to the office. Parents will not be able to stay after the treats have been delivered. It is disruptive to classroom activities and makes it difficult for teachers to conduct their classes.
- 10) **ABSENCES ARE STILL NUMEROUS.** If your child is absent because of illness, even if mild and only for a day, please call Nurse Monya McCarty at x17. Strep throat continues to be a problem in the school. Please be vigilant about reporting any contagious conditions like strep, pinkeye, head lice, or flu-like symptoms. It is very important for Nurse Monya to be aware of any potentially widespread health issues in the LCCS community. If your child sees a doctor, ask for a note clearing the child for a return to school.
- 11) **7th GRADE SCIENCE NEEDS SUPPLIES:** Ms. Buonafide is asking for donations of small hand tools (saws, hammers, etc.) as well as other miscellaneous items - wood pieces, fabric scraps, thin wire - for an ambitious "construction project" with the 7th grade. Any and all donations gladly accepted and appreciated.
- 12) The 4th annual **WINE TASTING FUNDRAISER** at the home of Karen Lorentz and Rick Spilman on **Saturday, 12/5 at 7 pm** is **SOLD OUT!** Email Karen1227@comcast.net to be put on a waiting list.
- 13) Please send a return email with **DONE IT** if you have read the Friday Flier. We are still finding out how many families are actually reading the Friday Flier. **DO NOT** do it if you "DID IT" last week.
- 14) **APPLICATIONS for NEW STUDENTS** and Kindergarten-aged siblings of current students are available for the **2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR** from 9am – 2:30pm. Applications must be returned by Friday, **1/8** to be included in the lottery. We strongly urge all prospective families to visit the school during one of the **OPEN HOUSES** – the first one is Saturday, **11/14** at 10 am. Children entering Kindergarten must be 5 years old by October 1st, 2010. The lottery is on Tuesday, **1/12**.
 - **PLEASE NOTE:** Prospective Kindergarteners who are younger siblings of current students are automatically accepted, but must fill out applications to reserve a space. It is VERY IMPORTANT that you do this as soon as possible so we know how many Kindergarten spaces will need to be reserved for siblings.
- 15) **MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for LUNCH AND RECESS!** Just an hour of your time once or twice a week would be of great help! The lunch and recess for 1st – 4th grades is from 11:00am to 12:00pm and Kindergarten is from 12:20 to 1:30pm. For more information call Yeon Benkovitz @ 201-988-3076.
- 16) **THANK YOU:**
 - To the volunteers for lunch and recess. It is very much appreciated.
 - Michael Pilgram, Nicola Stemmer, and the Anand and Rivo families for getting the auditorium ready for the Indian Dance presentation. And thanks to all the parents who attended.
 - To parents who chaperoned on the 3rd grade field trip to the Great Swamp.
 - Jennifer Hughes for bagging and delivering the bags of clothes from the Lost and Found.
 - Wendy Tom and Alison Bell for help in the office copying, stuffing, stapling and sorting!

Toast the Holidays!!

*with a fundraiser hosted by
Madame Claude Café. Parent Alice Troietto has again
enthusiastically agreed to host a fantastic evening of
delicious food and merriment.*

*This is a great opportunity to meet new LCCS families
as well as reconnect with old friends.*

*Please join us on Monday, Dec. 14th @ 7:00pm at
Madame Claude Café*

364 4th St. (corner of 4th & Brunswick)

Dinner includes a 4-course menu.

Each course will be accompanied by wine selected by

Scott Rosenbaum, Dir. Of Operations

at International Wine Center.

\$80 per person, \$150 for two

Space is limited to 35.

*For more information or to reserve a seat,
please call Yeon Benkovitz at 201-988-3076.*

*All money raised will go to LCCS and will be
matched by our corporate sponsors.*

*There will be an opportunity to win a private wine
tasting in the comfort of your home.*