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## LNS NEWS AND NOTES

### Lincoln Nursery School

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#### LNS: A Caring and Lasting Community. . .

Sixty years ago LNS was founded by a group of energetic, educated parents seeking a nurturing environment for their children to grow and a place to make new friends. They weren't planning to start a 60-year institution. But LNS' magic — a wonderful learning environment and a place to make lasting

friendships — has endured. Today, the families attending LNS are drawn to it not only for the outstanding faculty and lovely facilities, but for the community connection that LNS provides. I believe that the co-op model, which LNS has maintained for 60 years in spite of changing lifestyles and demands, is what

makes the LNS connections so powerful. In celebration of the community that LNS creates, we launch this newsletter. . . To help us connect and stay in touch.

—Nancy Fincke, LNS Director  
1995-present

#### Special points of interest:

- *We would love to hear from you! Please fill out and return the form on the back!*
- *For more information on the 2006 fund-raising party (scheduled for April 1), call LNS at (781) 259-8866*
- *LNS loves alumni drop-ins. Come see our new space and enjoy some time at pre-school pace!*

#### . . . where kids and parents form lifelong friendships



**Bonnie Higgins and Elizabeth Orgel, moms of recent LNS children**



**Can you identify these kids having lunch at LNS in the 1950's?**



**Nancy Fincke with Judy Gross (past LNS President)**



“Look what we did with our leaves!”



### Alumni News: The LNS Alumni Network Helps Out

*If you have a story about an LNS alumni to share, please fill out the form on the back and send it in. We'd love to include it the next newsletter!*

Jessica Taylor (LNS 1985--'88) is teaching and working at the Lakota Sioux reservation in South Dakota. She met John Moran in the three-year old class at LNS

and they have been close friends ever since. When Mimsy Beckwith, John's mom and former LNS President heard Jessica's stories about the harsh winters and teenage moms without enough gear to keep their kids warm, she thought of the LNS Lost and Found. A note ap-

The 2006 annual fundraising event will be held on April 1st at the Pierce House. The event will include a live auction, DJ, dinner and fun. Alumni are welcome; please call LNS at (781) 259-8866 for ticket information!

- Renovate the basement to create a storage area for LNS teachers.
- Reconfigure classrooms and create a parent room that helps parent to parent interactions.

peared in the parent mail-boxes asking for winter clothing donations, and the LNS community responded. The three huge boxes of down and fleece that Mimsy mailed were literally vacuum packed — she warned the recipients that the boxes might explode when opened.



LNS children enjoy telling jokes on the playground

### Pre-School Giggles

Q: How do you make a tissue dance?

A: Put a little boogie in it!

Q: Where did the snow man hide his money?

A: In the snow-bank!

Q: Why did the football player go to the bank?

A: To get his quarter back!

## Did You Know? (LNS Trivia)

- The staff has been at LNS for a combined 69 years
- Former Director Nancy Jo Kessler's grandson attended LNS last year
- Parents of three LNS students also attended LNS
- LNS students learn music, yoga and more in their music and movement class
- LNS has completely reconfigured its classroom space since 1994
- Three current LNS teachers first came to LNS because their children attended LNS
- The church basement (once scary and dark) has been renovated into organized storage space



Children from Purple and Yellow Classes share story-time

## One Parent's View of LNS

Having been at LNS for 10 of the past 11 years, I am struck by how much stays the same. While the space has changed (no more inside jungle gym, no more shared classrooms) and the staff model has evolved (now an assistant teacher in every classroom), the child-centered education that

makes LNS so special is still front and center. LNS has nurtured each of my four sons, helping them form deep friendships with peers, parents and teachers while developing a healthy sense of self-esteem. LNS' amazing staff — brimming with love, creativity, enthusiasm and a genuine ap-

preciation of pre-schoolers — creates a magical place. All alums love to come back and visit this favorite haunt

— even my 13 year old!  
Betsy Danziger,  
LNS parent 1995-2006



Jamesy, Charlie, Robby and Teddy Danziger, LNS alums

## Craft Project

*Whether your child is off on his first baby sitting job, or grandma needs to entertain the grandkids for five days. . . it's easier with some dough!*

### Play-dough

2 c flour

1 c salt

1 t cream of tartar

2 T oil

1 t food coloring

Mix everything in a saucepan. Cook over medium, stirring constantly until dough leaves the sides of the pan. Remove from the pan. When cool to touch, knead for a few minutes.



Creative expression takes concentration. . . and may get messy





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### Lincoln Nursery School welcomes your support

LNS conducts an annual fundraising appeal and holds a fund-raising event every year. The proceeds are used for the "extras" that make LNS special. Recent projects include teacher enrichment, a facilities redesign and playground upgrade. If you are interested in contributing to the LNS annual appeal, or if you have a comment or story, please fill out this form and send it to: LINCOLN NURSERY SCHOOL, P.O. Box 6075, Lincoln, MA 01773. Thank you!



I would like to make a tax-deductible contribution to LNS'

Annual Appeal in the amount of:

\_\_\_\_25 \_\_\_\_50 \_\_\_\_100 \_\_\_\_ Other (\_\_\_\_\_).

My check, payable to Lincoln Nursery School, is enclosed.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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I have a comment/story to share: (Please fill in):

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