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**LISG  
NEWSLETTER  
December 21, 2011**

**TODAY STARTS THE WINTER VACATION. School will be closed for the rest of the year and will resume on TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2012.**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to eighth grader Daniel Choi who is the school Spelling Bee champion. The runner-up was seventh grader John Petrucci. Class champions from grades five through eight competed for the title of school champion. Daniel will now move on to the next level of the competition which is the Long Island Regional Spelling Bee. We congratulate Daniel on this wonderful achievement and wish him luck in the next phase of the competition.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to the parents for their most generous gifts to the staff. **Special thanks** to Mrs. Johnston, president of the Parents Association, and the class mothers for organizing this thoughtful and generous undertaking. It is appreciated by all!

**THANK YOU** to the many parents who sent in **“goodies”** to the staff over the last few days. They were enjoyed immensely.

**MENUS** for the month of January are going home with the students today.

**THANKS** to everyone who participated in our holiday ***Helping Hands Project***. Together, we raised more than \$1,030.00 and have been able to purchase necessities and gifts for twelve children. ***Thank you*** to Mrs. Eluto for coordinating the project, and thanks to all the students, parents and staff who participated. The hands decorate the hallways and remind us of the wonderful season of giving.

**PICTURE RETAKE PHOTOS** went home with the students on Friday. If your child’s picture was retaken, you should have received a packet. If there are any problems, please contact Ms. DeCaro at the school. Any student who missed retake day and the original picture day will have their picture taken for the yearbook by Mrs. Tropper.

**THANK YOU** to our parent aides, Dr. Bencardino, Mrs. Bram, Mrs. DeRossett, Mrs. Kenny, Ms. LaRocca, Ms. Napolitan, Mrs. Pilewski, Mrs. Siddiqui, and Ms. Tully for all their help in the library.

**THANK YOU** to those who have sent in their yearbook responses. Responses were due **December 16, 2011**. If you have not sent in your response, please do so when we return from vacation on January 3, 2012. If you are planning to purchase a full page ad or planning to sell advertising, all copy must be in by **January 13**.

**SAVE THE DATE** The Upper School play is **Friday, January 27, 2012**, at 7:30 P.M. Students in grades three through nine will see the dress rehearsal. After-school rehearsals resume after we return from vacation.

**GET WELL WISHES** to our Lower School science teacher Mrs. Scher who had an appendectomy last week. We wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing her back in school in January.

**THANK YOU** to the *Hayden-Grossman Family* for their donation to the *“Library Celebrations Book Club.”*

**UPCOMING EVENTS FOR JANUARY 2012**

Tuesday, January 3, 2012	School Resumes
Thursday, January 5, 2012	Geography Bee (Grades 5 - 8)
Tuesday, January 10, 2012	Math Olympiad Mathletes 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting - 7:00 P.M.
Monday, January 16, 2012	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Friday, January 20, 2012	Middle of Second Trimester Interim Reports Issued
Friday, January 27, 2012	School Play - 7:30 P.M.
Tuesday, January 31, 2012	Lower School Mathathon

***WISHING EVERYONE A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON! HAPPY CHANUKAH, MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY KWANZAA AND A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL!***

***SEE YOU IN 2012.***