Florence Rideout Elementary School

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Principal's Report 11/15/16: Florence Rideout Elementary School/Lyndeborough Central School

- During the week of **November 14**th-**18**th students in each classroom will work hard to collect and donate food items to the local Wilton Open Cupboard Pantry. We hope to break our record of 1,119 non-perishable food items set in 2014! The week will culminate in our annual Turkey Trot Event coordinated by *Mrs. Kristen Hebert* and *Mrs. Heather Desmarais*.
- Parents of 4th and 5th students who participated in the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC) in the Spring of 2015 received reports of their son's and daughter's performance on October 21st.
 The information from this assessment will be used by our teachers and staff to evaluate our curriculum and programs within our district.
- Several grades have participated in field trips. On November 8th, second grade students visited
 the Children's Museum of New Hampshire in Portsmouth NH while the third grade visited the
 Mt. Kearsarge Native American Museum in Warner NH. These field trips enhance and reinforce
 our science and social studies curriculum.
- Teachers and Parents are meeting to discuss individual student progress the week of November 14-18th. Our new Competency-Based Learning Profile will be shared with all parents at this conference. This new comprehensive reporting format will provide parents with a clear understanding of learning progress and areas of needed growth.
- 5th grade students were visited by educators from the Boston Museum of Science for a workshop on "Forces and Motion". Thank you to the PTO for providing our students with this unique enrichment opportunity.
- Mark your calendars for our holiday musical performance. This year's performance titled "Toys! The Night they came Alive" will be held on Tuesday, December 13th. Florence Rideout students in grades one, two, and three will perform under the direction of music teacher Ms. Kristina Levick. It is a must see event!
- Several students were recognized at our Character Olympiad "End of Quarter" Ceremony.
 Students were nominated by their classroom teachers for exemplifying our C.A.R.E.S Habits of Learning: Cooperation, Assertion, Responsibility, Empathy and Self-Control. Staff performed an entertaining skit that demonstrated these traits in a fun game show format. Guidance Counselor, *Ms. JoAnne Dufour*, and members of our Responsive School Committee organized this event on November 17th.
- The FRES/LCS PTO has been very active and have hosted several community and fundraising events including the ever popular family Roller Skate Nights. The PTO had a very successful Fall Book Fair event at Florence Rideout from **November 4**th **10**th. Enough funds were raised

- through the successful "All for Books" fundraising campaign so that each student was able to purchase a book at the book fair.
- We are very proud of 4th grade students *Savannah Lindgren* and *Eric Byrne* who have been named "Students of the Month" for November. Congratulations!

Respectfully Submitted, Tim O'Connell *Principal*