



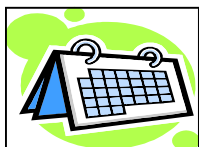
# LCE Lion Times



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## LCE PTA CALENDAR - NOV-DEC



Nov 20	Round Table Pizza Night - 5-10pm
Nov 21	5th Grade Feast
Nov 24-28	Fall Break - <b>NO SCHOOL</b>
Dec 1-5	Student Council Food Drive
Dec 2-5	Fall Book Fair
Dec 5	Parent & Family Lunch - Regular Lunch Time
Dec 5	LCFEF Jog-a-thon
Dec 8-12	4th Grade Time Capsule Week
Dec 10	Holiday Luncheon - 10:30am Lanternman House Ballroom

### DEADLINES:

**Lion Times:** 11/27, 3pm (12/4 distribution)

**Fliers:** 12/3, 10am (12/4 distribution)

Dear Parents,

In light of the forecasted "heat wave" predicted for Friday, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, the decision was made to postpone the Jog-A-Thon until Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. On that day, we are modifying our schedule to include our Parent and Family Lunch, the Book Fair, and the Jog-A-Thon. In the best interest of the Jog-A-Thon, we will postpone our Spirit Rally until Friday, January 9<sup>th</sup>. While we were looking forward to holding the Jog-a-Thon on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, we hope that parents, family members, and friends will plan to join us for the festivities on the rescheduled date. We would appreciate your attendance at all of the events that day. Our students look forward to lunch with parents and family members, and they also enjoy participating in the Jog-A-Thon. The Book Fair will be held in the cafeteria from Tuesday through Friday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>. The Jog-A-Thon is held during your child's regular PE time. Please check your child's schedule to plan lunch, to cheer for them during the Jog-A-Thon, and to visit the Book Fair.

We are very appreciative of all the volunteers who give their time to plan and staff these events. We look forward to seeing you, and we appreciate your sponsorship of the Jog-A-Thon and the Book Fair. Both of these events provide much needed funds directly to our school programs.

Thank you for all of your support. I wish you and your family a very safe and restful Thanksgiving!

Respectfully,  
Elissa DeAngelo



### Wanted: Countries, Countries, Countries!

To be presented at our LCE World's Fair during Multicultural Days, January 22 and 23, 2009. This is a great opportunity for students to learn about different countries and cultures. Please join this wonderful event by representing your country of origin or a country of interest to you. You can work in teams to set up a display with maps, artifacts, books, foods, and crafts, and to share facts about the country with the kids. Please come and join one of the teams representing the following countries or add a country to our travel itinerary: **Argentina, Armenia, Canada, China, U.K., India, Iran, Japan, Korea, Philippines**

If you are one of the volunteers representing a country, or are considering joining an existing country team, or want to share new ideas, **Please join us for Coffee!**

Friday, December 12th, 9:30 to 11:00 am  
Tujian Residence

3975 Chevy Chase Dr. (enter on Windsor Pl.)

For RSVP and questions, call Tamar Tujian at 790-7626 or email at [tujian9@aol.com](mailto:tujian9@aol.com); and Judy Kolb at 395-6919 or [judykolb@mac.com](mailto:judykolb@mac.com).

### CEC Families: Childcare Roundtable Seeks Your Input!



PTA, along with the LCUSD and the CEC have a committee composed of parents, district administration/principals and CEC representatives who meet throughout the year to discuss the school age program. We will be doing site evaluations over the next few months and welcome any input from families about the LCE CEC program. The CEC will be soliciting parent feedback through a survey over the next few weeks. Please contact Ellen Portantino, LCE PTA representative to the Childcare Roundtable with any input at [EAPortantino@aol.com](mailto:EAPortantino@aol.com).



### LCE Talent Showcase at the Lanterman

The LCE Talent Showcase chairpersons are looking for parent volunteers to be part of a committee to help our students perform on stage to showcase their talents. We had a great event last year due to the many volunteers, so please consider playing a role in planning another great showcase. We are currently looking for help with single class acts for grades K-3<sup>rd</sup>, coordination with auditions, dress rehearsals, and performance day. Please contact Denise Gunter at [rgunter3@yahoo.com](mailto:rgunter3@yahoo.com) or Lilli Rouleau at [lrouleau@earthlink.net](mailto:lrouleau@earthlink.net) by Dec. 14. The date of the talent showcase is Saturday March 14. Student applications will be available soon and will be posted on the LCE website and in the Lion Times in January. Auditions are the week of February 16<sup>th</sup>. Come join in on the fun!



### Bookmark December 2nd through December 5th for the LCE Fall Book Fair!

Mark your calendars now for the LCE Fall Book Fair, which will kick off on Tuesday, December 2nd. We are once again excited to be welcoming back Mrs. Nelson's Book Fair to our school. Mrs. Nelson's provides us with hundreds of popular titles available in both paperback and hardback, ranging from the classics to the newest must read releases. Books are organized into easy to locate categories, making the shopping experience swift and pleasant. Both adult and children's titles will be available, including children's educational gift items.

This year we are excited to be welcoming author Michael Wright to our school. Michael is the author of two wonderful children's books, *Jake Stays Awake*, and *Jake Starts School*. Noted for their unique illustrations and wonderful humor, these books are perfect for children ages 4-8. Michael will be at the school on Wednesday evening, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6-8pm to read his book and sign copies of his books purchased at the Book Fair. These autographed books make wonderful, personal gifts for your own children, as well as those of your family and friends. We hope you will plan on joining us for a memorable evening.

The Book Fair will be open each day from 8:00am-3:30pm, with extended evening hours on Wednesday from 6:00-8:00pm. The Book Fair is a great way for you to do your holiday shopping, while giving back to the school. A portion of the proceeds from each book you buy goes directly back to the school, and is used for programs which enrich our children's educational experience. We thank you in advance for your support and look forward to seeing you at the Fair!

### How Can Your Thanksgiving Turkey Help Your Child's Classroom?



If your VonsClub and Ralphs Rewards cards are registered to support LCE PTA, these companies will donate a portion of your purchases back to our school, that's how!

If you're not registered, DO NOT DELAY! All the shopping you're doing for Thanksgiving and holiday meals will mean BIG BUCKS for our school! Instructions are available at each website: [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com) (for Von's) or [www.ralphs.com](http://www.ralphs.com) (under Services/School Programs).

LCE earns thousands less than other schools in the district - simply because we have fewer families enrolled. Make your Thanksgiving Feast count for LCE this year!

If you need help enrolling, contact us: [passivefundraising@lcepta.org](mailto:passivefundraising@lcepta.org).

Keep snipping the Box Tops For Education and Campbell's Labels for Education and turn into our collection envelopes in the office. Look for the labels on:

- Holiday Baking products: Betty Crocker cookie mixes, Pillsbury items
- Campbell's Soup Products: Cream of Mushroom soup for your green bean casserole!
- Cookie swap & storage: Ziploc storage bags/containers
- Everyday cooking: Green Giant vegetables!



### Holiday Shopping Can Pay off for LCE!

Your online holiday shopping can support your child's classroom. It's easy, has no additional cost to you and will make a big difference in your child's life. This is an incredible opportunity to generate much needed funds and costs you NOTHING but a few minutes of time.

[www.onecause.com](http://www.onecause.com): Register and designate La Canada Elementary as the school you support. Then, login and start online shopping from the site and a percentage of your purchases will automatically come back to LCE. The percentages vary by e-tailer. There are dozens of special offers you can take advantage of, including free shipping, discounts and more. Here's just a partial list of online stores & services you can visit from onecause: Oriental Trading, Nordstrom, Gap, LL Bean, Land's End, Target, Pottery Barn Kids and literally hundreds more including specialty sites for flowers & gifts. Use your account at onecause to book flights and hotels, and your holiday travels will also support the school.

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