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## Principal's Report: 8/14/2018 Lyndeborough Central School/Florence Rideout Elementary School

For many of our young students learning continues throughout the summer in our district. We are fortunate to be able to provide an RTI Summer Academy at Florence Rideout for our students entering grades 1-3. Our goal is to provide selected students with an additional opportunity to develop their academic skills throughout the summer months. Forty two students participated in the program which concluded on Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. **Vicki Macpherson** kindergarten teacher, **Tammy Cargill** reading specialist, **Danielle Cambray** first grade teacher, **Kim Swanson** Title One tutor, **Anne Harkelroad**, paraprofessional and RTI coordinator **Michelle Locke**, provided students with reading and math instruction to maintain important skills throughout the summer months.

Not only did we provide learning opportunities for our students throughout the summer, but our staff engaged in worthwhile professional development. **Responsive Classroom** is an evidence-based approach to elementary teaching that focuses on the strong link between academic success and social-emotional learning (SEL). During the week of July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup> staff from Florence Rideout including, **Nicole Dane**, **Samantha Sappet**, **Stephanie Loiselle**, **Kristen Hebert**, **Heather Desmarais** and **Melanie Drew**.

**Project Lead the Way** is the newest researched based program utilized to deliver STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) curriculum. Several staff including **Nicole Dane**, **Kristen Hebert**, **Bridgette Fuller**, and **Stephanie Loiselle** attended a workshop. They will each pilot part of this program in their respective classrooms for the upcoming school year.

We are preparing for the return of students and staff. Letters from classroom teachers and myself were mailed to all students and parents on August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Included in my letter was information about first day of school procedures and brief introductions of new staff members. All incoming kindergarten students received the book *If You Take a Mouse to School*, by Felicia Numeroff.

Our new desktop support **Andrew Stevens** has acclimated well to our school and has completed many of summer tasks including updating devices, and set up of the computer lab. **Buddy Erb** Facilities Director, and building custodians, **Dan LaSala**, **Albert Boucher**, **John Ward** and **Sam Erb** have been working hard cleaning classrooms and hallways, painting and preparing FRES and LCS for the return of students and staff. The buildings looks “newer” than the day they opened!

With the recent resignation of our music teacher Kristi Aparo I have spent several days this week interviewing candidates. I will be nominating a candidate shortly.

Respectfully,

Tim O'Connell  
Principal