The Spelling Club will provide children an opportunity to gather at OWL to learn the word bank for the Litchfield Bee in a fun and collaborative setting. Play word games such as Boggle, Jumble, Roll & Spell, and Vocab Toss. Listen to excerpts from novels that are filled with juicy words to prepare for the Spelling Bee. Run through practice Bees so you’re ready to compete. Study materials created by the Scripps National Bee. Participation in the Spelling Bee is not mandatory!

*No Spelling Bee Club on January 21.
Snack will be provided.

1/2 Day Science Club
with Sciencetellers
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9
1:30 - 2:30 PM
FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES K - 6
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

JOIN US ON JANUARY 9 FOR STORYTELLING PERFORMANCE WITH SCIENCETELLERS! Journey with us to the Wild West, where a bank-robber is back in town, about to strike again and two kids must saddle up to foil the great heist. Throughout this absolutely wild adventure story, the audience will help us explore the science behind chemical reactions, combustion, air pressure, inertia and more. Don’t miss this classic action-packed western with ‘notes’ of science! Volunteers will be chosen at random.

Generously sponsored by the Litchfield Education Foundation.
Whether your child is using science to make their own snow or constructing the perfect sled like an engineer, this program is guaranteed to make learning fun! Children are invited to join us for a story and various STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) activities. This exciting and hands-on program will include a read aloud of a popular children’s picture book along with correlating STEM crafts, activities, and/or whole group science demonstrations.

**Storytime STEM**

**Friday, January 11**
3:30 - 4:15 PM  
**For Grades K - 3**

**Registration is Required**

The Afternoon Letters are Characters©

Three-Week Introductory Program  
for children ages 4 - 7 & caregivers

**Tuesdays: 3:30 - 4:30 PM**
**January 15 through January 29**

**Registration is Required**

During this short course, parents/caregivers will be introduced to the science of reading and given tools to provide effective, evidence-based support and instruction at home that will facilitate the creation of enriching, lifelong reading habits in their child/children. Simultaneously, children will work on acquiring or refining pre-reading/early reading skills through story and hands on multi-sensory play.

Dr. Caroline Wilcox Ugurlu, a researcher and teacher, will lead this program. She has developed a method to help children ages 4 - 7 break the phonemic code in a fun and playful way. She has authored a book on the subject (in the publication process). She is passionate about the importance of reading and wants to create programs that work for all students including struggling readers.
STEM Studio

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 18**
3:30 - 4:15 PM
FOR GRADES 4 - 6
*REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED*

Make the most awesome slime ever and construct a complex and complicated marble maze! Join us for a fun and hands-on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics). Each session will include a challenge correlating with one or more STEM concepts in which children will have to use teamwork, critical thinking, and innovation in order to complete their challenge.

Little Book Buddies

**FRIDAYS: 3:30 - 4:15 PM**
JANUARY 25 & FEBRUARY 22
FOR GRADES K - 3
*REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED*

Children in grades K-3 are invited to join us for a special story time and craft program. Children will listen to a popular storybook, and then make their very own stuffed animal inspired by the book to take home.

**NEED TO TAKE THE SCHOOL BUS TO THE LIBRARY?** If your child needs to take the bus to the library, please notify Litchfield Center or Intermediate School in writing.