

## OUT TO LUNCH By DeAndra Norman('08) & Samantha Marrero('08)

Many students have been caught leaving campus at lunch, incriminated by suspicious Popeye's boxes, McDonald's burger wrappers, and even cleaner's clothes bags.

All of our students know that it's not something so hard to come by, but the faculty has a different take. The *Bedford Bistro* offers a variety of food and treats, an understandable argument as to why the policy should be upheld, but many will argue that the quality and pricing is something to bark about. Timothy Narine('09) "rarely" eats food from the Bistro. Alexx Messina('09) even says that she never sees Timothy eat a thing, but once unleashed into the world of fast food, corner stores and restaurants, he consumes more than his stature suggests.

The prices here on campus are higher than those you would find on the street, but does the argument of convenience balance that out?

"Why can other schools go out for lunch and we can't?" asked Michael Hamlet('08). Most of the schools with these policies are



J. Ruiz('08) & J. Ziegler('08) do battle on Halloween

Manhattan high schools. They have these policies because most of their schools are too small to house all of their students for lunch according to unnamed officials at the DOE. It's also easier for Manhattan schools because there are a lot of places to eat in their general vicinity and travel to and from these places wouldn't be a problem.

"I think it's more to do with getting off campus than it is about the *plethora* of food choices in our

area," explained Mr. Weiss. "Many of these schools (in Manhattan) only have a regular cafeteria, while we have the Lehman cafeteria with a wider selection than almost any other school."

Is this resistance due to the fact that students really want to leave the campus, or is there a legit reason for wanting more dining options? Frances Thom('09) feels that these legalities are worth it. "The benefits of leaving (Continued on page 3)

## THEY TORE DOWN A PARKING LOT & PUT UP PARADISE

By Isaac Salander('08)

This building has a sloped roof and four exterior walls. It has one central hallway which is always crowded and two side hall ways. It has heating and air conditioning, thus it keeps us warm(?) in the winter and cool in the fall and spring. The school inhabits its own island universe surrounded by parking lots which are themselves bordered by a crater in the ground where the gleaming blue reservoir sometimes lies. And across the street is the beautiful Lehman College campus.

Mirza Alam('08) comments on the awesomeness of this fact, "in the middle of a parking lot there are trees a garden and our school."

With its one floor and colorful outside it "looks like an elementary school" believes Michael Hamlet('08).

With its metal siding and low slung sloped roof it "looks like a barn," according to Serghy Valarshkin('08) who went on to say that "cows lived here."

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## IN DA CLUB

By Daniel Karaban('09)

Joining a club is a way to spend time with your friends after school or even end up doing something productive for the school community. Every club offers different activities to the student body.

The **HSAS Soccer Club** reappears this year after a two year hiatus. This year the Soccer Club plans to form a league, if possible, and play against other people in other schools. Yannis Trittas('09) says that "anyone who wants to play soccer is welcome." Mr. Murphy, faculty advisor to the Soccer Club, hopes "that the club could soon join our school's list of teams."

An intellectually sporting club is the **Chess Club**. The Chess Club, advised by Mr. Rodriguez, meets on alternating Mondays. As the name states, they meet and play chess. Mirza Alam('08) says that the chess club is "wholesome family fun."

If you want to be productive and gain community service hours there are clubs in our school that you can join. You could join *(Continued on page 2)*

## BETTER LATE THAN NEVER?

By Michael Hamlett('08)

Lateness can be defined as not being present and/or on time for first period, which if you didn't know starts at 8:05. If you are tardy, then you must fill out a uniquely colored late pass, named daily by our own principal, Mr. Weiss.

According to Mr. Olivieri, the policy is defined as "three late days equals an automatic detention," but also added that the policy "may be revisited."

***"It's not very cool because it's not someone's fault if they miss a train or get stuck in traffic."***

To students destined for room 127 every morning, in addition to this policy, Mr. Sacchini has enforced his own. On occasion, the administration has been lenient on lateness due to traffic or train delays, but to Mr. Sacchini this is no excuse for being late.

A frequently late student of Mr. Sacchini's class, Isaac Salander('08) stated "It's not very cool because it's not someone's fault if they miss a train or get stuck in traffic."

A classmate Eric Berman('08)

J Gardner('09) & T. Gardner('09) sign the late book in the front office

added "He (Sacchini) doesn't understand the nature of public transportation and how unreliable it is."

A current student of Mr. Sacchini, Daniel Verdejo('08), commented "I think the whole school should follow one organized system."

Marianne Lomurno('08) stated, "It's bad that I'm penalized for being late because of transportation and weather," but also added "It's my fault for being late to his class."

When asked how he felt about late students, Mr. Sacchini simply

replied "It's awful."

When asked how he felt about Mr. Sacchini's own policy, Principal Mr. Weiss commented, "*Buono*, which means good in Italian."

Whether you have Mr. Sacchini first period or not, late-comers beware; Mr. Oliveri said a "new and improved" policy will be established. As of October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007, a cumulative policy of three late days equals detention plus a call home.

This is an equation anyone can figure out, with or without Mr. Sacchini. ☺