



October 10, 2024

Dear High Point Friends School Community Members,

Autumn sure is unique in North Carolina. Mornings are chilly, like New England, and afternoons return to summer. Interesting.

Beginning on Friday and lasting for one week, HPFS is holding a coin and dollar drive to support North Carolinians who are suffering from Hurricane Helene. Funds will be sent to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund on Monday, October 21. I encourage you to have your children drop the coins or cash in the container by the Front Desk and share a little about why we help others in need, even ones we don't know. (This ties into the message from last Friday's Meeting, "Love each other." John 15:9-17)



Family Movie Night on Friday, October 18 will be a blast. We'll watch Toy Story 4 in the gym. Bring blankets and pillows, and snacks, of course, to watch the movie. Free pizza is available, too! We need a head count for pizza, so please use the link below to register. Coach Watson will lead us in family games from 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. The movie, which runs 100 minutes, starts at 6:30 p.m. and ends at 8:10 p.m.

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Halloween is super fun for kids. As you make (or buy) costumes, please avoid outfits with weapons. (HPFS is a Quaker school, where non-violence is stressed.) We will have an all-school parade, leaving the gym at 9:00 a.m. and circling around the Meeting. We'll end with donuts and cider. This is a perfect opportunity for pictures. Students may stay in costumes during the day, but need to remove any masks or distracting costume accessories. At 3:00 p.m. we'll have Trunk or Treat at the lawn by the Meeting. We need volunteers. Use the link to register. Thanks.

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As mentioned last week, High Point Friends School is kicking off our Annual Fund Campaign on Tuesday, October 15. My goal is 100% family participation. Please show your support of this gem of a school by making a contribution. All gifts make a difference. You'll hear more about this next week! Stay tuned.

Please see the note below from Dian Rowan, the Co-Chair of the Falcon Family Connection, our parent organization.

Calendar Reminders:

- Wednesday, October 16. Picture retake day. Please email me ([rkelly@hpfs.org](mailto:rkelly@hpfs.org)) if your child needs a retake.
- Friday, October 18. Dismissal for all students is 11:30 a.m. There is no Hot Lunch or After Care.
- Friday, October 18. Family Movie Night: Games by Coach, Toy Story 4, Pizza. 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- Monday, October 28. Parent Teacher Conferences (No School)
- Thursday, October 31. Halloween Parade, followed by cider and donuts, 9:00 a.m.
- Thursday, October 31. Trunk or Treat, by the Meeting, 3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Love God, love others,



Rob Kelley  
Head of School

To: HPFS Parents  
From: Dian Rowan, 10-11-24  
Re: A message from Falcon Family Connection (parent organization)

A big thank you to all who attended our first FFC meeting. We have a number of people who have enthusiastically volunteered to take roles in our Falcon Family Community Association. A separate message is being sent to all who have volunteered about an organizational meeting of the Executive Committee. If you have not had a chance to volunteer, and would like to do so, please leave your name and contact information with Rob or text it to me at 336-259-0752. We will be in touch with everyone by the weekend. We are flexible about meeting times for the FFCA Executive Committee. We will have meetings at morning drop-off, which will give you time to get to work. We also have an idea to meet over dinner on certain months. These meetings will normally be held once a month, so we are not asking for an unreasonable time commitment. You don't have to serve on the Executive Committee to be a huge part of the FFCA. Everyone who has volunteered, and everyone with an interest in this school, has a voice in the FFCA. We are all here to see our children succeed, our teachers find personal satisfaction and our school reach its full potential. Thank you for being a part of our organization.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### STOCK THE PANTRY

When our teachers have a moment for a brief break, we would like to provide them with snacks. If you can bring a snack, we will have collection boxes in the main entrance area. We will also have people collecting snacks from cars in the drop off line Friday of next week. We are looking to repeat this project every 3 months. Thank you for your appreciation of our staff.

## ALL SCHOOL MOVIE NIGHT

HPFS has a new movie screen and projector thanks to funds raised at our Spring Scholastic Book Fair. We will be streaming Toy Story Four on Friday, October 18th. The FFCA will be providing free pizza to feed you family. Prior to food and movie, Coach Watson has Fun and Games planned. Wear comfortable clothes, since there will be adult participation in these activities

## TRUNK OR TREAT

The afternoon of Halloween, October 31st, HPFS will be hosting Trunk or Treat. The FFCA will be providing a prize for the BEST DECORATED CAR. Please don't do anything Scary or Dangerous to Driving. You are welcome to come early and decorate your car after you park in the circle in front of the Friends' Meeting Building. You don't have to decorate your car in order to participate. Your participation is not required, and all children will have the opportunity to Trunk or Treat

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Some of the ideas we have leading up to the Holidays don't have firm dates, but we wanted to let you know what is in store.

We will be making STONE SOUP prior to Christmas. This is a during school hours community building Pot Luck

The Outreach Committee, in conjunction with the school, will sponsor one or more projects designed to involve our students in outreach to others. Specific ideas are being decided. If you have an idea you would like to share, please let us know.

Parent Coffee and Visit With Santa. On the morning Santa comes to call, there will be Coffee and Bagels for parents. If you can stay to see Santa you are more than welcome. If you don't have time, please grab a bagel and coffee on your way to work.

Many other activities are being planned by High Point Friend's School. Lisa and I want to take this opportunity to tell Rob, Laura, Karen and all the administrative team what a pleasure it is to work with each and every one of you. Our teachers are also a tremendous benefit to our organization. Thank you for all promised help. It is appreciated and will be used. Again, please reach out to me at any time. My best contact is by text to 336-259-0752. You may also call me on that number. My email is [Dian.rowan49@gmail.com](mailto:Dian.rowan49@gmail.com) Looking forward to getting to know all of you during this year.

Dian Rowan  
Lisa Spencer  
Co-Chairs  
FFCA



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Please consider emptying your coin jar for this worthy cause. There will be a container by the Front Desk

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