



October 3, 2024

Dear High Point Friends School Community Members,

As promised, my note is shorter this week.

Picture Day is Tuesday, October 8. Individual pictures will be taken as well as class pictures. (I'll schedule a retake day in a month or so.) For picture day dress, I suggest "Sunday best" or something close to that. Speaking of dress code, in January I anticipate our dress code being slightly modified. Of course, students should feel comfortable expressing themselves, however students shouldn't be arriving in the morning looking like they just rolled out of bed.

Next week the faculty will be discussing ways that HPFS can help people who are suffering terribly from flooding in Western North Carolina. Stay tuned for details.

Please see the attached note from Dian Rowan and Lisa Spencer. They are President and Vice President of the Falcon Family Community, our parents' association. I hope to see you at the first FFC meeting on Tuesday, October 8, from 6:30 -7:30 p.m. in the Girardi Meeting Room (lunchroom). Refreshments will be provided.

Save the date for Family Movie on Friday, October 18 from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m. We'll have pizza and "Coach" directed games! Feel free to bring a picnic dinner, too. The title of the movie will be revealed next week!

Please note that Friday, October 18 is a Half Day, without extended day. Dismissal is at 11:30 a.m. Faculty will be writing comments, planning fall and winter events, and discussing differentiated instruction strategies.

Betsy Kye's 4th grade class is seeking donations for their Little Free Library. Please the flyer below for details. Thanks, Betsy, for spearheading this project.

Independent schools across the country have annual fund drives to support school operations and fund special projects. High Point Friends School is no exception. Tuition alone does not cover the cost of educating your child. The drive will last for one month, beginning on Tuesday, October 15. We hope that every family will donate something. I have a fun challenge that I know the kids will like. More about the Annual Fund next week.

Gratefully yours,

Rob Kelley
Head of School



Picture Day is Coming Soon

Dear parents your child's photo session is OCTOBER 8th. Please see the information below to register your child for their photo to be taken. Registering before the deadline is the only way we can be sure not to miss having your child/s photos taken as well as getting you your proofs quickly.

- Registration is now simple and quick and can be done one of two ways. Log in to <https://creativeexpressionsnc.getphoto.com> enter access code **HPFSFALL24** all one word
- Or use your phones camera to capture the QR code that will bring up your registration directly to your phone.
- Registration Deadline: **OCTOBER 6th**



- Photos will be available to view and purchase within 48hrs after your event has completed. Once you have registered you will be automatically notified when your photos are ready to view.
- On registration page make sure your email is spelled correctly as this is the way you will receive your proofs. Please type in your child's class name if it is not listed.
- Dress your child from head to toe shoes may show! Siblings are welcome to have their photos together and separate. When you register it will ask you if you have siblings and how you would like them photographed.
- If you miss the registration deadline you will be responsible for letting the teacher/director know you still want your child photographed. On picture day your child will bring home a form with a personal access code. Follow the instructions on the form as this will be the only way you will have access to your photos.
- We will always be happy to answer any questions you may have! Please feel free to contact us at #336-294-1763

A note from your FFC

Next Tuesday evening is an important date for all Falcon Family Community members...which is every family in our building and all friends and family outside our building.

Our FFC meeting will be your opportunity to hear from Rob Kelly, our permanent Head of School. It has been a while since High Point Friends had a permanent Head of School, and Rob has jumped right in to the role. You can see him in morning car line, in classroom story time, teaching an ethics lesson to the middle schoolers, encouraging input from faculty and truly embodying the position of Head of School.

Tuesday will be your opportunity to hear Rob's short and long term goals for our students and our school.

We will also conduct a brief FFC meeting. Our organization was left without most members of the leadership team after last school year. We know there are many parents eager to help the FFC with plans for this school year. There will be an overview of the parent organization given and sign up tables will be provided that can give you additional information. Halloween cookies, small snacks and ice water be provided.

We look forward to seeing most of you next week.

After this meeting there will be an FFC newsletter going out next Thursday. From then on please expect a newsletter the last Thursday of every month, with more frequent communication, also on Thursdays, as events demand.

Looking forward to meeting those of you we don't know,
Dian and Lisa



LITTLE FREE LIBRARY



Ms. Kye's 4th grade class is looking for donations for our Little Free Library!

Our Little Free Library is located on Council Street, at the back entrance to the school. This was our class Service Learning Project during the 2023-2024 school year. We have had LOTS of users thus far, and need more books to keep it fully stocked at all times!

We are looking for ***gently used*** books of ALL genres and for ALL ages! At this time, we have a greater need for novels, young adult books and non-fiction. Of course, we are always happy to receive children's books. We have plenty of space for storage to have books ready to go out. My students really enjoy the morning walks to restock the library!

Please drop off your ***gently used*** books at the Front Office any time during school hours, and we'll take it from there! Thank you for your donations and thanks for helping to support reading in our community!

