

Headlines

September 18, 2009

The second week of school is coming to a close and I feel that we are hitting our stride. While making the rounds this week, I was impressed by the level of concentration in the classrooms.

Pot Luck Suppers – Thanks to all the parents who attended their classroom’s pot luck supper this past week. I had a great time all week talking with you and enjoying some fine food. I hope you also had fun and found that the smaller suppers made it easier to connect with other parents. I know the students enjoyed themselves. Also, hold on to your recipes. Our all-school theme this year is food.

Field Trips – This week, Shavers Creek Environmental Center served as our satellite campus. Every grade in our school had a visit. The upper school did a low ropes challenge while the lower school practiced their observation skills and did some journaling. All of the classes had quality educational experiences. We are lucky to have a facility such as Shavers Creek close to our school.

Reminders

Back to School Night – Back to School Night is Thursday, September 24th. This is a great time to visit your children’s classrooms and talk with our teachers about their academic and classroom programs. Please come on time so that you can have the opportunity to meet other parents and teachers and learn a little more about the school. There is no childcare provided for this evening. The schedule is as follows:

6:45- 7:00 Arrive, coffee served in the community room

7:00 – 7:15 Opening in community room (Dan)

7:20- 7:50 Presentations in K/1 classrooms and upper school classrooms (5-8)

7:50 – 8:20 Presentations in 2/3 classrooms and 4th grade classrooms

*Parents are invited to stay and chat in the community room during times when they are not scheduled for a classroom visit.

Save the date! - Friday evening, October 23 will be our first all-school community social event of the year. This will be a relaxing evening for the whole family, a chance to meet new members of our community and greet old friends, have some good food, listen to some music, and more. Children are welcome and we’ll have several different activities for different age groups. Watch for more details coming home soon via email or backpack. If you would like to help plan this event, please contact Beth Giles at school.

Email messages - Our internet provider was down for a large part of the day on Wednesday and this does happen periodically. During these times we are unable to get your emails regarding changes in your child’s schedule. Please note: if you send an email to the school regarding your child’s after school plans, we will send you a confirmation that we have received it. If you do not receive a confirmation, please call the school.

A moment of silence – The 2nd International Day of Peace is this Monday, September 21. This day was established with a vision to unite the world in peaceful action, prayer, and thought. Along with many other Quaker schools and institutions across the world, our school will participate by observing a minute of silence at 12 noon to consider the possibility of peace. We invite you to join us in this minute wherever you are.

In Peace,

Dan