

Weekly Bulletin

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD. . .

Many children list Halloween as one of their favorite holidays. This morning costumed characters from kindergarten through eighth grade marched in our annual parade, then watched as five children tossed aged pumpkins from the school roof. While teachers buzzed around attending to last-minute details, helpful parents organized snack tables and took countless pictures of our children. After eight weeks of school work, our children and parents enjoyed the change of pace.

Below you can read the details of the FCS Birthday Celebration. Meeting members, school Trustees, parents, teachers, and students will gather for Meeting for Worship at 10:30 on Sunday. For those of us who are relatively recent additions to the FCS community, it is an opportunity to get to know the wider community of Friends, former parents, and perhaps a few graduates. In the true sense of a birthday celebration, this occasion brings together the many people who have been instrumental in the growth and development of FCS. I hope you will join us.

In Peace,

Larry

FCS Birthday Celebration

The school's birthday which is celebrated the first Sunday of November at FCS. Adelphi Friends Meeting moves its 10 a.m. Meeting for Worship (MfW) to 10:30 a.m. and joins folk from FCS at the school for MfW. Cake and ice cream are served. Also, there will be opportunities after MfW to attend a Bible Study and a discussion on Early Christianity. Please contact Joy Newheart mjnewheart@cavtel.net or 301-614-3912 with any questions.

Maryland Mathalon

Eight students from the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades will be traveling to Ft. Meade to compete in the Maryland Mathalon this Saturday morning. The event includes a solo math assessment, a multi-school team engineering project, and a team math competition. Good luck students!

Jordan

Center for Talented Youth

Dates To Remember

Nov. 1 - FCS Birthday/MFW

Nov. 2 - Magnet Art Order Due

Quaker Corner

"Religion binds back the soul into union with realities which refresh it, restore it, vivify it, and integrate it and complete it; i.e., put it in possession of the whole of itself." Rufus M. Jones (20th-c. Quaker author), from his book Religion as Reality, Life, Power, as quoted on the Baltimore Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends website, <http://www.bym-rsf.org/quakers/index2005fall.shtml>

Upcoming Dates

Nov. 13 - 5/6 (Melanie B) Field Trip to Maryland Ropes Course, 11:30pm - 2:30pm

Nov 17. - Smithsonian Field Trip - Gem Collection

Nov.19 - PTO Meeting

Nov.25 - 27, Thanksgiving Holiday - No School

Applications for the Johns Hopkins 2009-2010 Center for Talented Youth Talent Search are in a small crate on the coffee table just outside the office suite. Please feel free to take one. The preferred deadline for application (i.e. in time for summer enrollment in enrichment programs) is November 20, 2009. Parents can also apply on line at <http://cty.jhu.edu> and information about all programs including on-line educational opportunities, the Spatial Test Battery (STB) and other services are also available on this comprehensive web-site.

Colleen

Auction Planning Committee

The Auction Planning Committee is looking for volunteers to help in the planning fun for the FCS Spring Auction Event being held the evening of Saturday, April 17th. It is a great way to meet others in the FCS community. The auction proceeds benefit the Blackburn Financial Aid Fund for FCS students. Carol King Woodward, who helped plan the auction last year has volunteered again and she would love some help! You will be hearing much more about this annual spring event, but if you want to be part of the Planning Committee just let Carol know(Carol.L.King@abc.com).

November PTO Meeting

The PTO meeting will be Thursday, November 19, at 6 pm. Pizza will be served for parents and kids who RSVP, and childcare will be provided for ALL children (including non-FCSers) ages 3 and up.

MAGNET ART ORDERS DUE NOVEMBER 2!

Please remember to send in your magnet art orders to classroom teachers by Monday, if you have not already done so. Checks should be made out to FCS; cash is acceptable too (there is no tax). It helps if you send individual checks/order forms for each sibling, if possible. Each class has a magnet art coordinator who can handle most questions, or you can contact Cheryl Martin at martclaa@gmail.com or 301-927-9015. Thank you for supporting FCS's art program!

