



Bulletin Board

Week of March 7, 2011



Violin Night

Parents and families gathered in the “*Big Exciting Space*” of the Hanshi building last Wednesday as our 1st and 3rd graders showcased their blossoming musical abilities during our annual Violin Night. Research has consistently demonstrated the many benefits of music education for young children. Violin is just one of the many types of musical instruction available to our FSMH students.

Mark your Calendars for Upcoming Events and Updates:

Wednesday, March 9th Open Hockey 3:00pm - 4:45pm

Wednesday, March 9th Year Book Club 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Wednesday, March 9th Admissions Open House 9:30am - 11:30am

Thursday, March 10th 3rd Grade Wax Museum The third grade students have "brought history to life" this month and will share the results of our month-long biography research projects at the Third Grade Wax Museum. This event will be held in the Big Exciting Space throughout the day on Thursday, March 10th. Parents are invited to stop in to meet some noteworthy personalities from history!

Thursday, March 10th PA Meeting 7:00pm

Friday, March 11th Trimester II ends

Friday, March 11th Year Book Club 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Upcoming Parent-Teacher Conferences Thursday, March 24th and Friday, March 25th

It's that time again! Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on Thursday evening, March 24th beginning at 5:30pm & concluding at 8:00pm. Conferences will also be held during the day on Friday, March 25th beginning at 9:00am & concluding at 1:00pm. **Appointments are made in 15 minute intervals and may be made by calling the main office.** Please note school will be closed on Friday, March 25th.

Yearbook Ad Time Again!

The Yearbook Ad campaign has begun. From now until **Friday, March 25**, the Yearbook Club will be accepting ads for the 2011 Yearbook. For more information and an ad submission form please see the [Yearbook Ad](#) form and the [Ad Size Information](#) page.

What's Happening on Campus

Fourth Grade Teaching

As many families already to know, T. Corri is expecting another child in early May. We are thrilled that one of our regular classroom substitutes, Anne Seebold, is on-deck to start meeting with Corri and her class the week of **April 11th** and take full responsibility for the class starting **April 26th**. T. Anne has over five years of full-time elementary teaching experience at Friends School, is a former Friends School parent herself, and holds two Master's Degrees, including one in Early Childhood Education. T. Anne will teach Fourth Grade through the end of the school year. Please welcome T. Anne to this new role when you see her!

Empty Bowls Thank You



Dear Friends, Families, and Faculty;

Thanks for your efforts and contributions in making the "Empty Bowl" project a success. We raised over \$1,200. Proceeds will be donated to: Disciples Pantry in Woodstown, NJ and Bethel Soup Kitchen in Millville.

The success of this event was a community effort and some of those groups included: Girl Scout Troop #63366 of Harrison Township, community art students from Rowan University, pottery students at Appel Farm, members of Woodstown Friends Meeting and Friends School volunteers during the MLK "Voluntary Day of Service".

Thank you to all who volunteered, attended, and supported the project through its many phases.

Sincerely,
Diane Driessen and Gail Scuderi
Empty Bowl Project Organizers

Parent-Teacher Basketball Game



It was a wonderful gathering of parents, both the boys and girls teams, faculty, and fans. Parents won both games. Student players did a fantastic job competing against much taller and "much" older parents and faculty. One of the highlights was T. Jason's magical fingerroll shot that went in! All in all, lots of enthusiasm and lots of fun!

What's Happening on Campus

FSMH Academics in *ACTION!*

Want to SEE evidence of our Academic Programs? Mark your calendars now for a few upcoming exciting events that will present FSMH academics and students in action! This is your opportunity to gain additional insight into our curriculum and programs - by experiencing the results first hand.



Pi Day Monday, March 14th 12:30pm - 3:00pm

In 2009, Congress passed a resolution declaring March 14th National Pi Day. Pi day is a holiday celebrated on Albert Einstein's birthday, March 14th because that date is the numerical equivalent of π . Pi, approximately 3.14159, is the mathematical number that represents the ratio of any circle's circumference to its diameter.

Pi Day has grown to be a celebration of the importance of Mathematics in life and education. Here at Friends School we will celebrate by having a Math Challenge for grades 4-8, an exhibition

of math work from all grades, and a Presentation from a 'Math Magician.' Most importantly Pi day reminds us that math is **FUN!**

Language Arts Showcase Wednesday, March 30th 6:00pm

This evening will highlight the elements of our enhanced language arts program. Throughout the halls, students' writing pieces will be displayed, with special attention to a cross-grade writing project. Parents and students will partake in writing workshop activities and may choose to add to a chain story. This evening not only demonstrates how Friends School teachers teach writing, it also fulfills the reason to be a good writer: *to share your thoughts and ideas with others*. Please join us in the Hanshi Building at Friends School for this wonderful evening of reading, writing and listening!

The schedule of events is as follows: **6:00pm Reception**
 6:30pm Writing Workshop
 7:15pm Poetry Slam

Please see the [Make It New](#) information sheet and response form for additional information and RSVP by **March 18th** to attend this event.

Coming Soon - FSMH Teacher Feature

Starting next week we will begin highlighting our hard-working and dedicated teachers here at FSMH. Each week over the next few months we will feature an in-depth look at various members of our teaching staff. Working so closely with your children every day, our teachers learn a lot about their students and their families. Now is the chance to learn a little bit about our teachers! In doing this we are hoping to give our entire Friends Community a look at who our individual teachers are and why they do what they do! Look for this new and exciting feature in the upcoming weeks of the bulletin!

What's Happening on Campus

T. Lela and 1st & 3rd graders on Violin Night



Fine & Performing Arts Community Music Program

The Fine & Performing Arts Music Program has updated their website. Stop by and see our new layout and slideshow at [FPA Music Program](#). Registration is ongoing. For more information call 856-478-2908 Ext. 115 or email T. Julie-Ann at jgreen@friendmh.org

Auction updates.....please watch this space for weekly auction updates and news!

2011 Spring Auction

Watch your mailboxes! Spring Auction invitations are being mailed this week. Delicious food & beverages, great people and auction items of every kind will be available for your bidding.

There is still time to make a night of it by reserving a discount hotel room now at the Westin Mt. Laurel. A special FSMH room rate of \$109 is available. Come party with a purpose and enjoy a night away from the kids!

We need one special family or group of families to consider underwriting the cost of a box truck to move all the items from school to the Westin in Mt. Laurel. If you are interested in helping with providing a truck, please contact auction@friendsmh.org with the Subject line: **Box Truck** or speak to Maddie in the Main office at extension 101.

There is still time to donate items to the Auction for the Addendum Catalog. We are in need of jewelry, stuff for kids and electronics.

We are still accepting advertising for our Addendum Section of the catalog! It's great exposure for your business or a chance to give a shout out to your favorite FSMH student! Deadline extended! Please contact auction@friendsmh.org with the Subject line: **Advertising**.

If you have any questions regarding the 2011 Auction, please email: auction@friendsmh.org with the Subject line: **Question**.

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FSMH Teachers and Students enjoy Healthy Body, Healthy Cooking Night!

