



Bulletin Board

Week of December 20, 2010



Annual Winter Concerts

Dressed for the occasion, our Kindergarten students anxiously await their performance in our annual Winter Concert. We enjoyed a variety of musical performances by our youngest students on Wednesday evening, while our “seasoned” performers hit the stage on Thursday evening.....what a wonderful way to celebrate the season!

Mark your Calendars for Upcoming Events and Updates:

Monday, December 20th to Friday, December 31st **Winter Recess - School Closed**

Monday, January 3rd **Return to School**

Monday, January 3rd Deadline for A Christmas Carol DVD Performance Hurry and place your order for the Middle School Winter Drama performance! Orders will be available for your child to bring home the week of January 10th. The order form can be found at the following link: [Winter Drama](#).

Wednesday, January 5th Deadline for Winter Concert DVD Performance There is still time to order! Simply sign and return the attached form and return it to your child’s teacher with payment by January 5th. Orders will be available for your child to bring home the week of January 10th. The order forms are available at the following links: [Winter Concert DVD](#).

Thursday, January 6th **PA Meeting** **7pm**

Friday, January 7th **Yearbook Meeting** **3pm - 4pm**

Thursday, January 13th **Parents’ Day - Grades 5th-8th** **9:00am-11:30am or 12:30pm-3:00pm**
Parents are invited to spend part of a school day with their children. In an open house format, parents may choose a morning or afternoon to observe the lessons of the day.

Friday, January 14th **Yearbook Meeting** **3pm - 4pm**

Friday, January 14th **First Grade Winter Weather Clothing Drive** **Deadline for Donations**
The first grade classes will be holding a winter weather clothing drive. We are collecting new or gently used (and cleaned) hats, gloves, mittens, scarves and socks. For more details about how you can help, please see [Winter Weather Clothing Donations](#).

Monday, January 17th **MLK, Jr. Voluntary Day of Service** **School Closed** More details to follow on this unique opportunity to give back on this special day.

What's Happening on Campus

Holiday Greetings

Dear Friends,

The midwinter holidays are upon us! On behalf of everyone at Friends School I write to wish you warm greetings of the season. May you and your family be blessed with hope that comes from discovering the light that shines bright in the darkness and may the New Year bring you growth and a chance to thrive.

Please click on the attached link to view the rest of this greeting.

[Holiday Greetings from FSMH](#)

Warmest wishes, T. Bruce

Financial Aid Program at FSMH

As a Quaker School, Friends School Mullica Hill is committed to maintaining a diverse student body, representing varied economic backgrounds. Consequently, since the beginning of the school in 1969, significant funds have been devoted to tuition assistance. For the 2010-2011 school year, approximately 35% of the student body at Friends School received need-based financial aid.

As a school community, we expect parents to pay for the educational expenses of their children to the extent that they are able. The purpose of the financial aid program is to fill the gap between the actual cost of a year's tuition and what a family can realistically be expected to pay toward this cost. We understand and appreciate the financial commitment families undertake in deciding to send their children to Friends School Mullica Hill.

In order for us to allocate our resources wisely and fairly, we have enlisted the help of Independent School Management's FAST (Financial Aid for School Tuition) program. ISM's FAST does not decide whether financial assistance will be given or how much to give; rather FAST provides the school with a report, which includes a recommendation of what a family should reasonably contribute toward tuition. All information from FAST is kept confidential and applications are only reviewed by the confidential Financial Aid Committee.

The financial aid application for the 2011-2012 school year is now available on the FSMH website here: <http://www.friendsmh.org/admissions/tuition.php>

The deadlines for financial aid are:

Online applications completed by **March 1st, 2011**

Tax returns and W2's received by **March 15th, 2011**

Notification of financial aid awards begin on **April 15th, 2011**

Please note that information on the PYM Tuition Aid program is also now available for Quaker families.

Questions? Contact Beth Reaves, Director of Admissions and Development at breaves@friendsmh.org.

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Give the Gift of Music for the Holidays - Ring in the New Year with a song by giving the gift of music lessons! According to a 2009 Gallup Survey, 85% of American adults who do not play a musical instrument say they wish they had learned to playwhat a wonderful gift to give to that someone special on your list.....and it is something that will last a lifetime! Click on the [Registration Link](#) to the FSMH Fine and Performing Arts Community and enroll today!

A Thank You from the 4th grade!

A big thank you to the Friends School community for their generous donations to the 4th grade Robin's Nest service project. We received an overwhelming amount of wonderful toys, books and art supplies for local children to receive as Christmas gifts. We are especially appreciative during this time of year, when we are all trying to take care of loved ones on our lists, and during these difficult economic times. Your donations will give many families a merry Christmas; may your generosity give you the same warm feeling.

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

HELP WANTED!!

Are YOU ready for GREAT REWARDS while helping the school?

WHO: Parents

WHY: To acquire and submit the most advertisements for the 2011 Auction by the deadline. The school needs parent volunteers to support our auction efforts to provide the best learning environment for our children and help defray the cost of tuition.

HOW: Procure advertisements for the 2011 Auction Catalog. Get creative and contact business vendors, employers, friends and family. For each advertiser, print and complete the attached [Advertising Contest Form](#).

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME? Besides helping to provide the best education for our children, the top three sellers will be eligible to win rewards including: a \$100 Gift Card to Toscana in Mullica Hill INCLUDING babysitting in your home, a hotel room at the Westin Hotel in Mt. Laurel the night of the auction, and one more, special surprise item that we will announce in early January.

ELIGIBILITY RULES: To be eligible for any of the sales rewards, parents must submit forms by **no later than February 1, 2011**, and have the minimum equivalent of three, full page advertisements, in any configuration, paid in full by the advertisers.

If you have any questions regarding the auction advertising contest, please email them to:

auction@friendsmh.org with Subject line: **Ad Contest Questions**

The Auction Committee would like to wish you and yours a very Happy Holiday Season and Joyous New Year! Thanks for your support in advance.

What's Happening on Campus (continued)

Pre K - 2nd grade Winter Concert



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3rd - 8th grade Winter Concert

