



SCHOOL NOTES FOR JOHN CROSLAND SCHOOL FAMILIES

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EMP MEETINGS

EMP Meetings will take place on February 2nd and 3rd. A form went home in the December 14th Wednesday Packet with your designated time slot. If you are unsure of your time slot, please contact Mrs. Kathleen Pellisero at kpellisero@johncroslandschool.org

We look forward to seeing all families next month.

LOWER SCHOOL

NO HOMEWORK HELP on January 12th, in Lower School.

CLASS PICTURE DAY

Class Picture Day is Wednesday, January 18th. This includes class group photos along with sports and clubs.

WINTER ENRICHMENT CLASSES COMING SOON!

Be on the lookout for an email with a survey link. Please take 3-5 minutes to respond to the survey and give your input on what enrichment activities you would like for us to offer to your child. Thank you!

Upcoming Events

January 13

No School: Teacher Professional Development
"Asperger's Workshop"

January 16

No School: Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 17 - 20

Guidance Department: No Name Calling Week

January 18

Class and Sports Picture Day

January 24 - 27

Grades 8-12 Exams
Early Dismissal
See included exam schedule for further information

CHADD MEETING INVITATION

The Charlotte-Mecklenburg County Chapter of CHADD meeting is in Charlotte, at the Coca Cola Building at 4100 Coca Cola Plaza (behind South Park Mall) on Monday, January 9, at 7-9 p.m. The guest speaker is John Willson, SOAR Executive Director. The topic is "Salt the Hay": Motivating Unmotivated Children with Learning and Attention Issues. For more information go to charlottenc@CHADD.net. All of the meetings are free and open to the public as a community service.

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

This year John Crosland's 7th grade students have the opportunity to participate in Trinity Episcopal School's Freedom Fete Diversity Conference. Students will be "Exploring Identity" by attending workshops about diversity and hearing from ability activist, John Sharon. The permission slip went home yesterday in your child's Wednesday Packet.

This year the senior class is in charge of building a sense of community across the school. They have asked that everyone wear their favorite hat and/or scarf on January 6th to show their support.

GRADES 8-12 EXAM SCHEDULE JANUARY 2017

Times	Tuesday January 24	Wednesday January 25	Thursday January 26	Friday January 27
8:30-10:00	1st Period Exam	3rd Period Exam	5th Period Exam	7th Period Exam
10:00-10:25	Break	Break	Break	Dismissal
10:30-12:00	2nd Period Exam	4th Period Exam	6th Period Exam	
12:00	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal	

Review for exams will be held January 17-23 during class times.

Classes not having exams are P.E., Music, Yearbook, Art, Creative Writing, IT internships, History Through Film, and Spanish Cultures. If students have one of these classes, they will not have (cont.)

an exam and do not need to be at school during that scheduled class time. No lunches will be provided for the 8th-12th grade students.

Extended time for testing will be provided for students who need it.

If you need after school care, please contact Mr. Heard at cheard@johncroslandschool.org or 704-749-6710.

WINE AND REGIFT COLLECTION

Did you receive any WINE or GIFTS this holiday season that you would like to REGIFT to Gala? We are in need of baskets, cellophane, tissue paper, and decorating supplies. We are collecting these items in carpool this week, January 4-6.

We are always looking for donations of additional items/experiences such as gift certificates, jewelry, vases, new home décor items, golfing, tickets to shows/sports, vacation home rentals, spa treatments, and art. Please contact Jennifer Nichols at jnichols@johncroslandschool.org if you can assist us.

SPEAKER SERIES

Kindergarten Readiness

Dr. Melanie Powell, Charlotte Behavioral Health Associates

Thursday, February 9, 2017, 8:30am-9:30am

RSVP by February 6: pyork@johncroslandschool.org

Dr. Powell will be speaking about typical development for 4 and 5-year-olds. She will address signs of kindergarten readiness as well as signs that a child might not be ready for kindergarten and/or may be displaying early characteristics of learning disabilities or attention deficit disorders. She will also answer questions about when and if testing might be valuable or necessary as well as things you can do as parents to help improve your child's readiness for kindergarten.

Dr. Powell received a B.A. in Psychology from Furman University (1993), and an M.A. (1995) and Ph.D. in School Psychology with a Specialization in Neuropsychology from the University of Georgia (1997). She is a Licensed Psychologist (NC#2478) and Health Services Provider (HPP). Her training includes a year of practicum, 3 years at the Center for Clinical and Developmental Neuropsychology (UGA), and a one year internship in the public school setting (GA), and pre- and post-doctoral fellowships at the Child Neuropsychology Clinic at the Medical College of Georgia. Dr. Powell's research is in the areas of Learning Disabilities and ADHD (including articles in professional journals and book chapters), which she has presented at national and international professional conferences. She also has served as a reviewer for manuscripts submitted for publication in the Journal of Learning Disabilities (1999).

CROSLAND NOTABLES

We wish you a Happy New Year! Please scroll to the next page to view photos of the holiday season at Crosland.

