



## SCHOOL NOTES FOR JOHN CROSLAND SCHOOL FAMILIES

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#### A MESSAGE FROM CHRISTIAN CHERRY CHAIR, JOHN CROSLAND SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dear Crosland Families,

As you know, our Crosland School community has endured several changes over this past year. I am writing to reassure you that through these changes our mission has remained strong and steadfast: we are committed to providing students the individualized education to achieve their highest potential. Furthermore, we recognize the positive effects of parent commitment and involvement at our School. As critical partners in your child's education, we value your voice as we work together for a stronger School and brighter future. With this in mind, I would like to discuss current plans for two important matters pertaining to our school.

We are looking forward to welcoming a new Head of School for the 2018-2019 academic year. At our most recent meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board"), we established a Head of School Search Committee to manage the identification and recruitment of our new Head of School, including the selection of a search firm to assist us in the same. Joining me, the other four members of the Committee include (cont.)

### Upcoming Events

#### February 24

Career Day

#### February 28

Re-enrollment Coffee Hour  
7:30-8:30 a.m.

#### March 2

Parent Council Committee  
Meeting 8:15 a.m.

#### March 4

John Crosland School  
Annual Gala

#### March 8-10

Upper School Field Trip  
Williamsburg, VA

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Douglas Bollermann (former parent), Dr. Stephan Finical (former parent), Amanda Emmanuelli (current parent), and Dr. Deborah Bouton.

While the Board's goal, of course, is to select the best possible Head of School, it is equally important to us that we engage all stakeholders of the School in this process. After we select a search firm at our upcoming March Board meeting, we will be able to offer a more detailed timeline and description of the search process. To accommodate our families we intend to hold at least two meetings in late April or early May with the search firm. These meetings are designed to offer more details on the search process, to gather your thoughts on the desired characteristics of our next Head of School, to answer your questions related to the search, and to discuss opportunities to allow for continued engagement in the process. It is of utmost importance to us that you have the opportunity to remain engaged throughout this process.

Finally, we appreciate that given the transition in leadership, it is understandable to inquire about the School's finances. The Board, through our Finance Committee upon which I serve, continuously monitors the School's finances. In addition, the entire Board receives monthly financial reports from our business office. We engage an accounting firm to audit our financials in the fall of each year. The School has an excellent balance sheet and is financially sustainable for the future. In late summer, you will receive an "Annual Report" providing additional details of the School's finances, advancement efforts, and other highlights of the 2016-2017 academic year.

If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any other member of the Board. Thank you for your faith in the School, your continued support in our mission, and for the opportunity to teach your children.

Sincerely,

Christian P. Cherry,

Chair of the Board of Directors

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## PARENT COUNCIL

There will be a Parent Council Committee meeting on March 2, in the Boardroom 8:15 a.m.

## UPPER SCHOOL FIELD TRIP

The Upper School field trip is coming up quickly. Important information about the trip was sent home today in your child's Wednesday packet. Please make sure to look through the information and fill out and return the included forms as soon as possible.

## CAREER DAY

Friday, February 24 is Career Day! As studies on this date will focus on career possibilities, the Crosland community would like to invite all students to "Dress for the Job You Want" and come to school in appropriate attire that highlights this future goal. Students, in showing others your dream job attire, get creative and show your enthusiasm for your ideal profession.

## NEWS FROM ADMISSIONS

It's that time again. We are gearing up for the 2017-2018 school year. As new students have already started enrolling, we are excited about having you and your child remain in the Crosland family. Contracts are due by February 28 and we invite you to join us for the Re-enrollment Coffee Hour that morning, from 7:30-8:30 a.m.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to put your name in the drawing. Families who get their re-enrollment contracts in by February 28 will be entered into a drawing to win \$500.00 off of their tuition for the 2017-2018 school year! So, get your contracts in right away and good luck!

## CROSLAND NOTABLES

Lower School celebrated the 100th day of school on February 16th with the following activity centers: Smart Board Activity, 100th Day of Fitness Fun, 100th Day Race and Roll game with dice, "I wish I had 100..." game, and Math Patterns to 100.

