



## SCHOOL NOTES FOR JOHN CROSLAND SCHOOL FAMILIES

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### Upcoming Events

#### March 13

Teacher Workday  
No School for Students

#### March 17

Grandparents' /Special  
Guest Day for Lower School  
and Lower School Music  
Program

8:15 – 10:00 a.m.

#### April 7-14

Spring Break

#### March 8, 2017 Issue

### WEDNESDAY PACKETS

Every Wednesday, information and graded papers are sent home to you via the Wednesday packet. You should review the contents of the packet and, after reading over the papers, send back any information to be signed the following day. If there are no papers to be sent home your child will not bring home a packet. If you have any questions or concerns about the Wednesday packet please feel free to contact Nancy Lukacik at 704-365-5490 or by email at [nlukacik@johncroslandschool.org](mailto:nlukacik@johncroslandschool.org).

### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Daylight Savings Time is Sunday, March 12th. Remember to “spring forward” and set your clocks **ahead** one hour.

### PARENT COUNCIL NEWS

Calling all parents! Please join the Parent Council in the boardroom on Thursday, March 16 at 8:15 a.m. to plan for the 2017-18 school year. We will have coffee and nibbles as we plan for social events, community building, and giving back to JCS while having fun and forging new friendships!

### Quick Links

[Facebook](#)

[Instagram](#)

## SAVE THE DATE

### Lower School:

- *March 17*  
Grandparents and Special Persons Day will take place from 8:15 to 10:00 a.m. There will be a musical presentation by Lower School students and a visit to the classroom. A light breakfast will be served. Grades 1-5
- *April 6 +*  
Raptor Center followed by Spring Celebration-Egg Hunt - Grades 1-5
- *April 21 +*  
Reed's Gold Mine - Grades 1-3
- *April 24*  
Hornets Book Bus will be coming to The John Crosland School. Grades 1-6
- *April 28*  
Service Learning for Arbor Day - Grades 1-5  
+ Sign-Up Genius will be posted soon for chaperones/drivers.

### Middle School:

- *March 30*  
Children's Theater – Grades 6 & 7
- *April 20*  
Mountain Island State Forest – Grades 6-8
- *April 24*  
Hornets Book Bus will be coming to The John Crosland School. Grades 1-6.
- *April 28*  
Service Learning for Arbor Day – Grades 6-8
- *May 2*  
At 6:30 p.m., the Middle and Upper School will present a music program. There will also be an Art Exhibit displaying artwork of students in 1-12 grades.

### Upper School:

- *March 8-10*  
Colonial Williamsburg overnight trip
- *May 2*  
At 6:30 p.m., the Middle and Upper School will present a music program. There will also be an Art Exhibit displaying artwork of students in 1-12 grades. More information will be provided as we draw nearer to the date.

## TUITION ASSISTANCE INFORMATION

The John Crosland Schools offers need-based tuition assistance. If you would like to apply, please complete the online application through the 3rd party company (FAST) that we use for processing your financial documents. You can get to the application on our website by clicking on the (cont.)

Admissions tab and then click on the Tuition Assistance tab. The link is:  
<http://johncroslandschool.org/admissions/tuition-assistance/>

The application deadline for the first round of application reviews is March 17, 2017. Applicants will be notified by April 1st. Please see below for additional external grants and scholarships for which you may qualify and apply. If you would like information on K-12 educational loans, please contact the Admissions Office for resources.

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OPTIONS

The John Crosland School strives to keep families aware of financial assistance options available for private school special education. Listed below are opportunities for you to seek assistance. Each program has specific award criteria to help determine if you meet the requirements. Contact information is listed for each organization to help you ask detailed questions about the award, application deadlines, and criteria requisites. For general questions, you may contact Portia York in the admissions office.

### 1. The John Crosland School Financial Aid Award

a. Provides educational scholarships for eligible children enrolled at The John Crosland School

Visit the Tuition Assistance page on our website [www.johncroslandschool.org](http://www.johncroslandschool.org)  
Complete the online application with Financial Aid for School Tuition (FAST), which is a 3rd party company, and submit your tax documents (tax returns, W2s, 1099s) to FAST. They will process the information and notify the admissions office at The John Crosland School.  
You may contact Portia York in the Admissions Office with questions.

#### **Portia York, Director of Enrollment Management & Admissions**

704-365-5490, Ext. 709

[pyork@johncroslandschool.org](mailto:pyork@johncroslandschool.org)

### 2. Children's Scholarship Fund – Charlotte

a. Provides educational scholarships up to \$2500 for eligible children in grades K-8 in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County

Visit the Children's Scholarship Fund website

<http://www.csfcharlotte.org/>

**Children's Scholarship Fund-Charlotte Administration Office** Foundation for the Carolinas, 220 North Tryon Street, Charlotte, NC 28202

#### **Lisa Clarke, Program Administrator**

704-973-4534

[lclarke@fftc.org](mailto:lclarke@fftc.org)

### 3. Opportunity Scholarship Grants

a. Provides educational scholarship grants of up to \$4200 per year for eligible children who choose to attend a private school

Visit the State Education Assistance Authority's website

[www.ncseaa.edu](http://www.ncseaa.edu) (cont.)

or contact –

**Laura McGee, State Field Coordinator**

Parents for Educational Freedom in North Carolina

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**4. Children with Disabilities Scholarship Grants**

a. Awarded to reimburse tuition and special education and related services for each eligible child who is educated in a homeschool or nonpublic school

b. The grant cannot exceed \$4000 per semester

Visit the State Education Assistance Authority's website

[www.ncseaa.edu](http://www.ncseaa.edu)

or contact -

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## CROSLAND NOTABLES

The 2017 John Crosland School Gala was a great success! Many thanks to Jennifer Nichols, the gala committee, gala volunteers, item donors, table sponsors, and our guests! More pictures on the next page!



