

Forest Hills Friday News

Friends and Family of Forest Hills,

Well, we did it. We survived the first week back after Spring Break! It was a joy to hear all the fun stories that the students had from Spring Break. There were many people who travelled near and far, and many who just stayed home and enjoyed our beautiful surroundings. On top of it all, it was nice that the weather was gorgeous that week. I actually don't mind that it rained this week, given that we were blessed with sunshine last week.

On my Spring Break, I had family that came in from out of town. It was a joy to spend time with them, and fun to see my kids 'tour' them around to their favorite places. There was one thing though that I did not do during Spring Break. Each day, I start my day at the swimming pool. I enjoy doing a regular routine workout each day, but during Spring Break, I took the week off. I didn't go swimming even once. I didn't think it would be that big of a deal, but then Monday morning came around. I headed back to the pool and did my workout, but oh my – my time was off, my breathing was off, and it felt like it took ALL my energy to get through that routine that I do each and every day. Now that the week after break is done, I feel like I'm back to my regular self, and the workout feels good again.

There are certain things in life that we need to do each and every day if we're going to both survive and thrive. We couldn't take a week off of eating or drinking. We shouldn't take a week off of exercise 😊 What if we chose not to clean for a week, or chose not to do laundry? What if those basic tasks became ones that we took a break from? Sure, we could recover from almost any of that, but it would take time. And then, if we tried to go any longer than a week, it could be disastrous!

The same idea is true with our faith. What if we took time off from reading the word of God? What if we decided not to pray for a while, or not to worship the one who freely gave Himself for us? What would that do to our 'faith muscles?' Just like those other tasks make us become weaker, the same would be true for our faith. This idea actually has nothing to do with God – He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. (Heb. 12:8) He daily provides for all of our needs through His riches in Christ. When WE take our eyes off of HIM, we do in fact become weak. God knows this truth – that's why His word is FULL of reminders to "Fix our eyes on Jesus" (Heb. 12:2), reminders to "Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matt. 11), reminders to continue meeting together for praise and worship, for in these gifts, God is present and His Spirit fills our hearts.

How's your faith walk these days? Are you strong and growing, or are you weak and struggling? It doesn't matter where you are. The great news for you is that God is always there, pouring out mercy, grace, forgiveness, salvation, and love. The fountain of His gifts never runs dry, and no matter where you are with Him, He is there for you.

If you've taken a break for a little while, come on back. Your soul will be filled. God is there with open arms, eager and excited to bless you as you are His child. May your life be filled this week, especially as we walk through Lent and head to the cross and the celebration of the empty tomb. You are precious. You are loved.

Mike Schiemann. <><
Principal

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April 5th, 2019



- **Library Book Fair** Our annual Library Book Fair will be held at Barnes & Noble in Tannasborne this Saturday from 11am-2pm.
- **Yearbooks** Our 2018-2019 yearbooks are now available for order. This year you can also order online. Online [direct link](#).



Light of the World

- **Auction Tickets** are only on sale until April 12th. Buy your tickets [here](#) soon!
- **Volunteers!** We are looking for volunteers to help during Auction Week (April 22nd-28th) Please stop by the office or email [AUCTION](#) to sign up.

Running Club Starts Monday!

The Spring Session of Running Club will begin on Monday, April 8. **An updated permission form is needed at the beginning of each session. If your child has never attended Running Club before they will also need to turn in a Runner's Agreement Form.** Both forms can be found in the main office.



Forest Hills is now accepting applications and resumes for the position of **Director of Advancement**. This director is responsible for marketing, retention, and recruitment activities for FHLCS. They must understand the relationship between the churches and the school and work to foster them. Fundraising knowledge and experience is also key. For more information, or to apply, e-mail Mr. Schiemann at principal@fhcls.org. Applications are due no later than midnight on Friday, April 19th



In Your Family Envelope:

- All School Field Trip Permission Slip
- 2018-2019 Yearbook Order Forms
- Easter Services Schedule
- Summer Reading Information
- LEST Ribbons & Scoresheets

Dates at a Glance:

Saturday 4/6	Delegate Meeting, 9am Library Book Fair @ Barnes & Noble, 11a-2p
Monday 4/8	PTA Meeting in Library, 6:30pm Running Club Starts, 3pm
Wednesday 4/10	Chapel Host Prince of Peace, 8:20am
Thursday 4/11	Auction Reveal, 3pm Track Meet @ Portland Christian Middle School Dance, 7:30pm
Friday 4/12	Professional Development, No School
Sunday 4/14	Palm Sunday 3 rd Grade to sing at Mt. Olive, 9am
Tuesday 4/16	Readers Theater Assembly, 10am & 12:30pm
Wednesday 4/17	Buddy Chapel Host Mr. Schiemann, 8:20am Track Meet at Portland Christian, 3:30pm
Thursday 4/18	Maundy Thursday
Friday 4/19	Good Friday All School Field Trip to Bethlehem, 9am Easter Chapel, 2:15pm
Sunday 4/21	Easter Sunday, HE IS RISEN!

Full School Calendar: [HERE](#)
Guest WiFi: Falcons!

Forest Hills week at VillaSport is April 15th-21st See attached flyers for more information.