



HERONFIELD ACADEMY

April 20, 2021

Dear Heronfield Families,

It's feeling a bit busy here at school these days, in a really good way.

Since the early spring we've been building student events back into our calendar in a variety of ways. February featured an all-school skating event at Puddle Dock Pond, and Mr. Jordan and Mrs. Clark began offering 'Game Time' and Outdoor Club in a couple of afternoons each week. More recently, Mr. Demers has opened the iStudio after school for seventh and eighth grade students to continue class projects or explore new ideas, and we'll see a modified track and field season begin this Thursday afternoon.

Sixth Grade Arts Night felt like the unofficial start of our spring events calendar last week, and momentum builds in a few different ways over the next few days. We are excited about tonight's Trivia Night at 7pm. It should be a lot of fun, and we hope all students will join in, especially since tomorrow's Community Day means that there will be very little homework. Details and a link can be found in the announcements below.

Tomorrow brings our second annual Community Day, previewed in last week's newsletter. No classes, but rather a day of togetherness, reflection, and sharing brought forth by two guest speakers and a school-wide art project in the middle of the day. At today's community gathering, Sra. Johnson encouraged everyone to 'be open' to learning and sharing throughout the day, and Mr. King encouraged us to all add our individual spirit and energy to the day to make it a great collective experience. And we'll all enjoy a pizza lunch, complete with drinks and dessert! Woo hoo!

We'll have a special Community Meeting on Thursday, when Ms. Slavitz will lead us in commemorating Earth Day. We are blessed here at Heronfield to have a beautiful campus with plenty of open space, and many times in the day to gather and learn outside. Earlier this year, Rev. Deb Knowlton shared a bit about the history of the school's land, and it will indeed be nice to pause once more and acknowledge the earth and what it provides for all of us.

Finally, the week wraps up late on Friday with Sixth Grade Game Night - I think we're all glad that we rescheduled it from last week, when the weather would have made for a wet and chilly evening. Mr. King and Mr. Jordan have lots of great games in mind for Friday, and we'll look forward to similar events for seventh and eighth grade in the coming weeks.

It's certainly feeling a bit busier here at Heronfield, but in many ways it feels just right as we continue to build and grow as a community.

Warmly, John



Join us for an All-School Virtual Trivia Night! *Hosted by Sporcle Events*

All Heronfield Students are invited to our Virtual Trivia Night- TONIGHT

Mixed-grade teams will compete to win a deluxe donut breakfast! Please log on @ 6:45 to be put on a team and learn the rules.

Join by Zoom: **Heronfield Academy Trivia Night**

Zoom Password: **107578**

Community Day

We will be celebrating community day tomorrow, Wednesday, April 21. Pizza, cookies and drinks will be provided for lunch (gluten free options too). Please bring a snack and a water bottle.

Mask Reminder

In light of Governor Sununu's recent decision to lift the mask mandate in New Hampshire, it is important to share that we will continue to employ all of the virus mitigation strategies that have proven successful this year: handwashing, social distancing, and wearing masks as much as possible.

Track & Field

Track & Field starts this Thursday, April 22 from 2:15-3:15pm. For those planning on attending, please remember a water bottle, athletic clothing, and shoes you can run in. Also, it can still be a little chilly some days, so a sweatshirt and/or sweatpants might be helpful.

Heronfield Academy Spring Fundraiser

This year, our Spring Fundraiser will have two distinct events. The funds raised from these events help to support the mission of our school.

The Spring Fundraiser Online Auction Event is available to anyone who would like to participate! You may log on from the comforts of your own home and browse the many items that we have available for purchase.

This online event will open on Thursday, May 6th at 10am and will end Monday, May 10th at 8pm. There will be a link shared closer to the event for registration. Please feel free to pass on this link to anyone who loves to shop!

Enjoy a sneak peak of some of our exciting auction items attached below!

The Spring Fundraiser In-person Event: A Night on the Farm

This adult-only event for our parents, faculty/staff and Board of Trustees takes place on Friday, May 14th at 5:30 pm
Tickets go on sale tomorrow!

Please see the invitation below!

If you have any questions regarding either event, please feel free to reach out to Kerri Singh, ksingh@heronfield.org.

Garden Club

Garden Club is back! Join Sarah Asbell each Monday from 2:15-3:15pm and help get the Heronfield gardens planted, pruned, weeded and ready for Spring.

Community Meeting and Sanctuary Speakers

This week: We will not have a formal Sanctuary meeting due to Community Day. Jo Slavitz will help us honor Earth Day in a special Community Meeting on Thursday.

Next week: We welcome sixth grade parent, poet, and Phillips Exeter Academy teacher Matt Miller for our Community Meeting, and board member Rev. Jay Hutchinson will return to us for Wednesday's Sanctuary.

Important Dates:

Tue, April 20: Virtual Trivia Night 6:45pm

Wed, April 21: Community Day

Afternoon Tea 2:15-3:15pm

Thurs, April 22: Track & Field 2:15-3:15pm

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Fri, April 23: Track & Field 2:15-3:15pm

6th Grade Game Night 6-8:00pm

Mon, April 26: Garden Club 2:15-3:15pm