

Notes from Dee
November 28, 2018

Dear Laurel School Families,

I hope you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving holiday. Thanks so much for all the food donations for Home Front. The folks who helped me to take it all out of my car were so appreciative, and it made me proud to see how generous our families are to those in need.

There are a few items to review as we begin our holiday season. (It seems the holidays start sooner every year...is that just me?)

- If you missed a parent/teacher conference because of the inclement weather, (really inclement!) please feel free to contact your child's teachers to individually schedule your discussions for some time over the next few weeks.
- The first session of After School Programs is coming to an end. Please note that Art and Fitness have already had their last session. GO GREEN STEMS will meet 11/29 and 12/6. MUSICAL THEATER will meet 11/28, 12/5 and on 12/19 to complete their 8 sessions.
- Ms. Hope wants to let everyone know that the students in her After School Program will be performing at our Holiday show on December 20, along with the other performances that day.
- Information about the winter session of After School Programs, which will begin in January, will be coming out shortly.
- On December 12, we will all be attending the Radio City Music Hall, an historical space in New York City, to see the Rockettes, an historical performance. Children should be in dress code, or wear nice holiday clothes (no jeans, please) that day. We want to represent Laurel School well! Please remember that they will need to bring a bag lunch that day.
- We are collecting gift cards to hang on our small Christmas Tree in the lobby of Building 1. Courtney Newman will deliver them to www.steps-together.org, the charity she spoke about at our Thanksgiving Feast.

- As winter approaches, there may be times when we need to contact you via the Honeywell Emergency Alert System. Please be sure that Alison has the correct email address and phone number where you would like to be notified in case of an emergency, snow day, early dismissal, etc.
- Everyone is excited to have their new Laurel Spirit wear, and we agree it looks great. However, please remember that Laurel-themed athletic wear is for Fridays, and is not part of our dress code on other days of the week.
- Finally, we are so fortunate to have [Smart Lunches](#) this year. We hope that many of you will take advantage of this service. In order to retain their services, we must demonstrate significant interest, so maybe give it a try during these busy holiday weeks - now that Thanksgiving leftovers are gone! The December menu is attached.

Hanukkah begins this Sunday night, so we wish a warm and bright holiday to all of our families who celebrate.

As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Best,
Dee