



## THE LAUREL SCHOOL *of Princeton*

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### Notes From Dee April 18, 2019

Hi Laurel Families!

It has been a very busy couple of weeks. The weather has been quite mercurial, with some balmy warm days and some brisk, colder days, but Laurel students and staff have been consistently working hard, despite the changes in temperature. We have two new students since my last note. Please join us in welcoming the Kaputas and Coffeys to the Laurel family!

When we return from spring break, it will almost be May, and there will be lots going on! For your planning, we want to brief everyone on the upcoming events. Please read carefully and mark your calendars!

- Our **STEAM Expo will take place on Friday, May 3**. A detailed email describing this showcase event featuring our Science, Art and NoticeAbility programs is being sent under separate cover this week, and a reminder flyer will be sent home after Spring Break. Please keep a look out for this information from Dr. McKay. The students have been working hard and are excited to share all their work with you.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week is May 6-10**. An email and flyer have been sent home from Karen Schoenfeld and the LSPA about participating. The SignUpGenius to volunteer and donate can be [found here](#). We love celebrating our amazing teachers!
- There will be an **All-School trip to The Princeton University Art Museum** on Wednesday, May 8. The bus to the museum will leave from the Laurel School at 9:30am. We will arrive back at Laurel at 1:00pm. Please send a bagged lunch with your child that day.
- **Attention 8th grade parents!** On May 9, the 8th grade students will be going on Laurel School's inaugural 8th grade trip to the [NJ School of Conservation](#) in Branchville, NJ. Mr. Piccolo and Miss Kelly will be chaperoning our students for a wonderful day off campus to begin the celebration of their moving on to high school. The bus will leave at 8:00AM promptly and will return later that day at 5:00PM, so please make plans to accommodate the late arrival. More information to follow.
- As you all heard from my last note, we have delayed our Walkathon until after the break, when Ms. Nancy returns to lead our walkers to complete their project to increase fresh water in Africa. **The new date for the Walkathon is Friday, May 10**. The Walk will take place after lunch from 12:15 until dismissal at 2:45. Parents are welcome (but not required) to join and cheer on the walkers or to walk with their children. Students should be wearing proper sports attire for a longer walk, including sneakers, tee shirts, and hats to protect them from the sun. Walkers who complete the walk will receive charms to signify their hard work. There is still time for your child to get sponsors for their walk! [Click here](#) for the Walkathon Sponsor Form.
- On **Saturday, May 18**, Laurel School will have a booth at **Pennington Day!** We will load up our table with information and fun items to promote our great school. No one represents Laurel better than you so we are asking for student and parent volunteers to take shifts at our table to talk to passersby about Laurel. The event runs from 10am-4pm. [Sign up here to participate!](#)

- **Beauty and the Beast** is coming! Our students have been busy practicing for our first musical production! For your planning, the doors will open at **5:00pm on May 23** for this wonderful production. If you'd like to purchase space to place an Ad in the Playbill, [please click here](#). Tickets will go on sale May 1.
- Now that the weather is getting warmer, this is a friendly reminder to parents to please help us with the dress code. Some students have been getting lax about their attire and regularly out of dress code. It is important to us that children be dressed appropriately in clothes that are suitable for learning and that encourage a sense of community. Here is a link to the [Land's End School](#) catalog (our # is 900184243) in case you need reminders about what is suitable. \*Please note: we will be changing the Laurel logo soon, so please don't buy any personalized items until that change has been made.
- The LSPA will be collecting gently used or outgrown Laurel School items (dress code items with or without the Laurel logo) for parents to swap/exchange. There will be bins available at the STEAM Expo and then in Building 1 for clean items. Parents will be able to "shop" the bins on Field Day, May 31.
- Our Summer Program will run from July 1 - August 2. We have some exciting new afternoon offerings this year. For more information and to register [please visit the website](#).

We are all looking forward to spring break, which begins on Friday, April 19! Classes resume on Monday, April 29.

Happy Passover and Happy Easter! I wish you all a wonderful vacation full of family, rest and enjoyable times!

Warmly,  
Dee

Upcoming Important Dates:

No school on May 24 or May 27 for Memorial Day weekend

Field Day - May 31 (rain date, June 7)

Last day of school is June 12. Moving Up Ceremony will begin at 10am

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