

Falcon Flyer - December 1, 2018



LS Holiday Program

DECEMBER 6



LOWER SCHOOL'S HOLIDAY PROGRAM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

5:30-6:30

GILMER GYM

Opus

DECEMBER 6 & 7



A Special Gift

BELL TOWER BRICKS

From the Head of School

JOHN H. MELTON



Dear Fuqua Family,

As the holiday season ramps up and the first semester of our 26th year winds down, I want to express my gratitude for the critical role each family and friend of the school plays in our success. We, the teachers, administrators, trustees and staff, depend on the greater school community for many things including volunteer support, recruitment of new families, in-kind services, and financial support beyond tuition.

Our recent \$30,000 Falcon Fund Challenge issued by the Board of Trustees was meant to encourage the school community to support this important fund and to acknowledge the importance of "Giving Tuesday" and the profound impact non-profits like Fuqua School have on the lives' of so many people.



I am pleased to report that we doubled our goal for the second year in a row! Between August 1 and November 27 (Giving Tuesday), the school community contributed **\$60,853.74** to the Falcon Fund! This is a clear indication of the value our families and friends place on the education we offer. The Fuqua Family rose to and exceeded the challenge issued by the Board thus reaffirming, after 26 years, the viability

As the School has grown and changed, some things remain the same. It is, above all else, a community of parents and teachers whose common bond is total commitment to educating children for a life of scholarship, leadership and service in an atmosphere of caring and civility. The Bell Tower has been a centerpiece of the campus since its construction in 1974. As it stands today, it remains a testimony to the steadfastness and unity of the school. The Bell Tower holds the memories of the past and the promise of the future. You can purchase an engravable brick in memory or honor of individuals. Bricks make great graduation gifts! [Click here for order form.](#)



and necessity of our mission of helping each child pursue their “boundless individual potential.”

My calls to every school family about the Giving Tuesday Challenge helped me develop an even deeper appreciation for all each family brings to our school. So, thank you not only for your donation, but also for taking some time to share a little about your Fuqua School experience!

Happy Holidays!

Go Red! Go Black! GO FALCONS!

Calendars



ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

2018-2019 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Christmas Mother

BOARD GAMES, DVD MOVIES



The Christmas Mother Project is enlisting our help in providing toys, specifically board games and DVD movies, for children living within Prince Edward County. Please bring

Casino Royale - Five Grand Falcon

THE BEST YET!



This year's Bag the Five Grand Falcon - Casino Royale was the best yet! Netting over \$81,000, this year's event far exceeded the amount raised in past years. This year's event saw changes to location and the overall format which organizers capitalized upon. Moving to the upper school gym gave party goers the opportunity to spread out and have more fun while taking advantage of the Casino games and the live and silent auctions. Black jack, roulette, craps, and horse racing were all part of the fun. In addition to the great food and a chance at winning the \$5,000, participants had the opportunity to play the tables with fake money earning

your donations to your class sponsor. Class sponsors will place all items under your OPUS tree and then they will be collected for distribution. Together let's provide Christmas JOY to a child in need.

Athletics

WINTER SPORTS - BASKETBALL & SWIMMING



Please check [Rschool](#) for sport team schedules and updates!

Regular Season Pass Cost:

Student Yearly \$25, Adult Yearly \$50, Family Season \$50, Family Yearly \$150

Just in Time for Santa

SCHOOL STORE LOCATED ACROSS FROM L/MS OFFICE

New hoodies and more just in time for Christmas!



Mark Your Calendars



chances to win several prizes including a trip to Las Vegas.

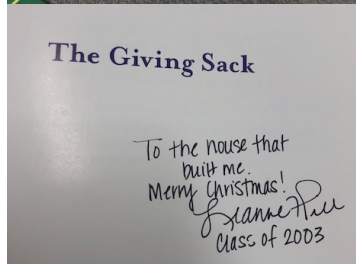
A resounding thank you to all of those involved in the planning for this event and to all those who supported this event with their attendance, donations, and purchases. Thank you for helping us exceed our fundraising goal!

Alumni Author Shares The Giving Sack

LOWER SCHOOL



Leanne Hill, author of *The Giving Sack*, recently visited the PreK and K/1 classes. She spoke to the children about what they could do for others to be helpful and kind. Then she read her book to the students which explained the purpose of the red giving sack in the spirit of a Christmas tradition. As part of Fuqua School's core value of kindness students may contribute a gently used toy to the giving sack to be donated to a local charity. Students were very interested in the writing and illustrating process as Mrs. Hill explained the process and timeline in writing *The Giving Sack*. Leanne is an alumni of the Class of 2003.



The Fuqua Family

A SPECIAL ARTICLE IN THE FARMVILLE HERALD BY TITUS MOHLER



Schools often talk about being a family, and in the seven years I've reported on high school sports, I don't think I have ever seen that better illustrated than on the football field during Fuqua School varsity game nights. There is a special bond that exists between the Falcons



Volunteers to work concession stands at home basketball games are always needed! Please visit fuquaschool.shutterfly.com to see which dates work for your schedule so you can lend a hand.

Save the date: **KIDS NIGHT OUT:** Friday, December 14th! Send your kids for snacks, games, tunes, and tons of fun... while you have a few hours to yourself for dinner or shopping! We are looking forward to being joined by some of our older students to assist with running the games (Friends of Fuqua Community Service hours up for grabs!) [Click here for details!](#) [Click here to register!](#)

Falcon Threads: Shop at [your](#) convenience - stop in and stock up! Pick up the key from your division office, shop, and return payment with key!

Red Team vs Black Team

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varsity cheerleading and football teams. I imagine being a small school helps contribute to this. It was a tough year for Fuqua's varsity football team as it entered the season with a particularly small group that featured only four seniors. Thirteen senior players graduated the year before when the team went to the state title game, and nine more graduated the year prior to that. [Click here to finish reading the article!](#)

Securing the Wings

UPPER SCHOOL



The Fuqua School aviation class is currently securing the wings on the fuselage before moving to the final step of outfitting the cockpit. Students are focusing on precision drilling along the wing struts which requires skills in new tools and advanced mathematics. The wings and their supports are arguably the most important part of the plane so the process of attaching them has been carefully guided by the volunteer build experts.

Thanks to the generous donors at Fuqua's Casino Royal event \$10,525 was raised through Fund-A-Need. The aviation program will be able to produce a fully outfitted Zenith 750 Cruiser within the next 2 years!

Apothecary, Chandler, Milliner & Wheelwright

LOWER SCHOOL



Students in Mrs. Krystal Tucker's fourth grade class completed a Colonial Days project on Tuesday, November 20. The fourth grade class has been studying early colonization and the settlement of Jamestown in Virginia History. They

Vendors must have an approved and signed (John Melton) copy of the [request to use](#) before creating any items.

Falcon Flyer

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have also studied colonial America across the curriculum through a whole class novel, *Blood on the River*, by Elisa Carbone. Students worked with a fellow classmate to research one of the following colonial jobs: apothecary, cabinet maker, Chandler, cooper, milliner, printer, and wheelwright. The class worked during their Media special to research information regarding their job and also to prepare a speech. Mr. Layne helped the students sketch a backdrop of their colonial shop during Art class. Students dressed in colonial attire and presented their work to classmates, parents, and guests. Mrs. Tucker's class thoroughly enjoyed applying the information they learned about colonial America in their projects.

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LINK FOR SPORTS & SCHOOL PICTURES

Sports and school pictures are located on www.karensmithphotographer.com with the password = falcons. You may view or purchase pictures from this site.



Identifying Each Part

UPPER SCHOOL

Ms. Jones' Honors Anatomy students worked in lab groups to dissect cow eyes while learning about the sensory system. Students were able to observe the retina, sclera, pupil, lens, and cornea. As the students dissected, they identified each part of the cow eye and discussed the functions of each structure.

TEAM: Together Everyone Achieves More

MIDDLE SCHOOL

One important lesson children can learn,



that will continue to benefit them throughout their lifetime, is how to work together as a part of a team. Teamwork is important during recreational sports and during collaborative classroom projects as a student, but it also plays an important role in helping them be successful as adults. Working on teamwork skills can have immediate results with lasting benefits. 6th grade students in Mrs. Davia Williams' physical education class are working on fostering the concept of teamwork. Teams were asked to create a single hula-hoop castle. Once created, they were then asked to join their castle with another group's castle to create a giant castle with multiple stories. Through this activity, students learned that working together as a team encourages listening to others perspectives and feedback, speaking to others in a way that gets their point across in a productive manner, and highlights this month's Fuqua School Core Value of kindness when working toward a common goal.

Harper's Autograph

UPPER SCHOOL



On November 20th, Harper Melton signed her National Letter of Intent to play lacrosse for Longwood University.

Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day



This year's Veteran's Day program was held on Monday, November 12 at the Crute Stage in downtown Farmville. It was well attended by members from every branch of the military and from members of the community at large. Lower and middle school Girl Scouts



distributed flags, programs, and thank-you notes to the veterans. Upper and Middle school Boy Scouts acted as the color guard for the event. The junior band started the celebration with "America the Beautiful" followed by a welcome from upper school SCA president, Isaac Drummond. Other various patriotic pieces were played, including a medley sung by 4th and 5th grade students accompanied by the senior band. LTC Joe Seiler was the guest speaker. Dr. Seiler, a graduate of VMI and parent of two Fuqua School students, is a local dentist who currently serves in the Army Dental Corps as a reserve officer. After the main program at Crute stage, the senior band led the audience over to the Prince Edward County courthouse steps for the unveiling of the town's new WWI memorial. While there, the band ended the program with "The Stars and Stripes Forever," the well known patriotic march by John Philip Sousa. It was a grand way to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day.



It's A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving!

LOWER SCHOOL

On Monday, November 19th, the PreK 4 class had a very special Thanksgiving feast during snack. Mrs. Johnson read

the story of A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving and the children ate all the foods from the story. They enjoyed juice, pretzel sticks, chips, jellybeans, buttered toast, popcorn and ice cream. After snack, the children drew pictures of some of the many things that they are thankful for: our families, friends, homes and good food including Mom's chili and roast beef!

Local Stars

LOWER SCHOOL & UPPER SCHOOL

Congratulations to 5th grader, Elle Franssen and senior, Christian Huggard, on being cast in the upcoming Waterworks production of Andrew Yates' *It's A Panto Jim....But Not As We Know It!*



Rule of Law

UPPER SCHOOL



On Monday, November 19th, the senior class attended a program on the Rule of Law. The event at the Moton Museum brought together government students from both Fuqua School and Prince Edward County High School to learn how the Bill of Rights affects citizens. Commonwealth's Attorney Megan Clark assembled local lawyers and Farmville Police Department members to review court cases with small groups of students. The annual event has proven to be a popular forum for students of Jennings Custis to test their knowledge of Constitutional law.

Did You Shave?

UPPER SCHOOL



Thirteen young men from the US participated in No-Shave November. The National program was started in response to a cancer victim's trials before losing his life, and now many organizations link the event to charitable causes. In exchange for donations of canned food for F.A.C.E.S., our local food bank, the pupils were allowed to sport facial hair for the month, a break from the usual dress code regulations. Sheila Hight of F.A.C.E.S. came to meet the young men and collect the donations.

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