Dear HPA families,

HPA's kindergarteners were practicing their E-I-E-I-Os at Russell Farms this week! Our scholars had the chance to learn all about life on a farm and the animals that live there. They petted goats and rabbits, helped out with farm chores by raking straw and collecting and packaging eggs. They also learned about the life cycle of a pumpkin and took a hayride to collect their very own from the pumpkin patch. Experiences like these build understanding, spark curiosity, and create life-long memories for our smallest scholars. Thanks to our kindergarten team and everyone who volunteered to make that fun experience happen!



Standard Uniforms on Tuesday, 10/31

Scholars should wear standard uniforms to school on Halloween. We refrain from wearing costumes in order to ensure a focus on learning and to be inclusive to multiple belief systems represented in our school.

The Children's Museum Dismissal Staging Lot

Below are two brief updates relevant for families who use the carline to pick your child up at dismissal.

- Please ensure you are arriving at the staging area in The Children's Museum Bus Lot no earlier than 2:30 PM each day. The lot is an active area for field trip buses visiting the museum before that time.
- We've been notified to expect overflow parking in the bus lot next week due to the opening of the Halloween exhibit and coinciding fall breaks from area schools. We will work to ensure orderly staging next week, adjusting if needed as we did on Thursday.

Lost & Found

Is your scholar missing a sweater, coat, or uniform shirt, or water bottle? HPA's lost and found is full of loose scholar items accumulating over the last several weeks. If you know you're missing something, please stop by the front desk or contact Ms. Jones (<u>ajones@herronprep.org</u>) to check for lost items. Items not claimed by Friday, 11/17, will be donated.

Youth Tennis Lessons Available for Grade 4 & 5 Scholars

Herron High School tennis coaches are excited to offer this opportunity at Riverside Park Tennis Complex. Please see the <u>information flier</u>. Contact Mary Ann Beale at <u>mbeale@herronhighschool.org</u> if you are interested.

Reminder: Miracle on 34th Street Holiday Gift Assistance

Circle City Relief is offering an event called <u>Miracle on 34th Street</u>. It is a free holiday gift assistance event. Please see this <u>informational flier</u> to learn more. There are no eligibility requirements.

Weekly COVID Update

To keep you informed of the number of COVID cases reported at school, each HCS school is providing a weekly report to our family community. Please see <u>here</u> the number of positive COVID cases reported this week at HPA.

