

# Patriot Press Weekly

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## Folsom Education and Community Center

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**Be a Folsom Hero!**

## From the Principal's Desk

The first week of October has been wet and chilly, but it looks like a lovely weekend. Please note that Monday is a normal school day; we do not have that day off. However, looking ahead, we do have an in-service day on Friday the 19th. The PCC after-school program will provide daycare on that day for children enrolled in that program.

Did you receive a test call or text from our emergency notification system on Thursday evening? If you did, that means your number and contact info is correct in our system. If you did not get a call, please check with us to make sure your contact info is correct. The most common reason we cannot contact parents is that the parent/home voicemail box is full and we cannot leave a message. The second most common reason is that the Vermont rural routing system for cell phone calls typically drops a percentage of calls during a mass calling situation. In the event of a school closure or emergency, we will also post information on our school Facebook page and we will inform local media. If you suspect school may close due to a weather event, always double check these other sources, just in case!

Your child(ren) are bringing home sign-up sheets today for After-School Club offerings, scheduled to start the week of October 15th. Clubs will be offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and the after school bus is available to bring children home. Please return the sign-up sheets ASAP as the clubs have limited capacity, fill up fast, and are "first come, first served." Note: There will be no clubs on Weds, Oct 31st - Halloween.

Have a wonderful first weekend of October!

## Upcoming Events

### October

- 13 Spaghetti Dinner 4-7pm
- 18 School Board 6pm
- 19 NO SCHOOL Inservice
- 21 Crop Hunger Walk 1pm
- 31 HAY DAY

### November

- 9 NO SCHOOL  
(Parent/Teacher conferences)
- 16 End of Trimester 1
- 21-23 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Recess

### **After School Clubs**

We would love to get after school clubs started in mid-October or soon thereafter! Any adults interested in leading an after school club for an hour one or two days a week, please contact Susan McKelvie for information on how to get things rolling!

### **Infinite Pasta-bilities! Spaghetti Dinner October 13<sup>th</sup>**

Do you love spaghetti? Then you won't want to miss the Infinite Pasta-bilities Dinner on Saturday October 13th at Folsom from 4-7 p.m. to benefit the 7-8 spring trip. The 7th and 8th graders will serve you delicious spaghetti with meatballs or pesto alfredo sauce, with gluten free and meat free options available. And they'll be making homemade apple crisp for dessert. Take out dinners are available as well if you can't stay and eat. The food is fabulous and table service (provided by our 7-8 students) is impressive! Tickets are on sale now from any 7th or 8th grader and are \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids. Hope to see you there!

### **Student drop-off and pick up**

Please remember that student drop-off and pick up must be in the designated area of the parking lot. Only buses are permitted to use the front driveway from 7:30-8 and 2:30-3. This is to ensure the safety of the children! Thank you.

### **Annual Crop Walk for World Hunger**

Please join your school PTO in helping fight hunger locally and globally by supporting the 2018 Crop walk on Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 1 pm. The walk begins and ends at the Congregational Church on South Street. To register to collect donations as a walker, go to [www.crophungerwalk.org/southherovt](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/southherovt). Last year's total was over \$6,500 raised for local (Food for Thought program and Champlain Islands Food Shelf) and worldwide issues (clean water, nutritious food and safe shelter needs). Thank you for helping to make sure no one is food insecure.

### **Hay Day Festival on October 31<sup>st</sup>!**

Our Third Annual Folsom Harvest Arts Festival, HAY DAY, will be on October 31, 2018. The idea behind this awesome day is to provide educational activities that support our community, school connection, family traditions, environmental awareness, craftsmanship, and skill development under the united force CREATING ART. The Arts include music, performance, movement, and visual originality that require a great deal of heart, energy, intelligence, enthusiasm and courage.

This day would not be possible without community volunteers, donations, or parent involvement; therefore I am looking for performers, artisans, land lovers, and hobbyist to run unique workshops throughout the day that could include students k-8, k-2, 2-4, k-4, 3-6, or 5-8. Please contact me as soon as possible to share your workshop idea so I can include it in our choice packets. My e-mail address is [jbedard@gisu.org](mailto:jbedard@gisu.org).

Donations I am looking for are: pumpkins, apples, gourds, feathers, bark, moss, pressed leaves, wool for felting, burlap, duct tape, strips of fabric, dried flowers, gallons of glue, glitter, mod podge, plastic bottles (Smartwater/liter Seltzer like) sculpty...

Thank you!  
~Ms. Bedard

### **Hannaford Helps Schools Program**

Information on the Hannaford Helps Schools Program was sent home with students today. This program runs from September 2 through December 1 at all Hannaford stores. Folsom is registered at the Hannaford in Milton, so school dollar printouts received at Hannaford registers may be turned in there or to Sue McNayr in the Folsom main office.