

# 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

We are just a week away from parent conferences! Did you know that the number one thing you can do as a parent to support and impact your child's education is to have a positive relationship with the school and the teachers? It is powerful when kids know that their parents respect learning, expect them to do their best, and that school is important. We look forward to seeing you next week!

Halloween is creeping up on us and will arrive on Tuesday. Teachers will tell you that actually the day AFTER Halloween is the most difficult at school. Too much sugar and not enough sleep makes for grumpy children! However, we hope you will join us for Trunk or Treat in the school parking lot for a fun community evening, thanks to the fire department and our PTO. Then, home for a good night's sleep.

Speaking of Halloween, you should be receiving information from classroom teachers about individual classroom expectations for costumes. Students are expected to bring costumes, rather than wear them. Most importantly, costumes should not be violent, excessively gross, impede vision, or include weapons (including light sabers). A reminder as well that cultures are not costumes. We look forward to a fun day seeing creative costumes that are appropriate for school.

Next week we are also celebrating our Second Annual Hay Day. Many volunteers and staff members will be leading a wide variety of creative workshops around the building. Students have selected from an impressive list of choices including creating shrunken apple heads to cooking to making jewelry to nature crafts to just about anything else you can think of. What a fantastic experience for our students thanks to the creative mind of our art teacher Jamie Bedard!

Finally, the dark mornings lately are a reminder that it is almost time to move our clocks back an hour as Daylight Savings Time comes to an end NEXT Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> of November. In the meantime, enjoy the lighter evenings and the remaining golden foliage as October comes to a close. Happy Halloween!

## Upcoming Events

### October

31 Trunk or Treat 5-6pm  
(Set up 4:30-5)

### November

2 Hay Day  
3 NO SCHOOL/Parent  
Teacher Conferences  
6 Picture Re-take day  
11 Night out at Snow Farm  
16 School Board 6pm  
17 End of Trimester 1  
20-24 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving  
recess

### December

7 K-4 Play  
14 5-8 Concert  
22-1/1 NO SCHOOL Holiday  
recess

## Buy Local Coupon Book or App – Now Available!

We are again selling the Buy Local Coupon books to raise money for the 5-8 grade ski trip. This year we also have an App for your smart phone. This only costs you \$18 and we will receive \$10 for each app sold. The App is Local First Vermont Mobile App and use the code FOLSOM17. Please spread the word to friends and family! Books are available through any 5-8 student and from the Folsom Office for \$20 each. If you have any questions, please contact Alison Perry [aliperr@gisu.org](mailto:aliperr@gisu.org).

## Night out at Snow Farm Vineyard

Please join us for our First Annual Parents/Friends Night Out at Snow Farm Vineyard! Saturday, November 11th, 2017 from 7:00 - 10:00 PM. Tell your friends, co-workers..... ALL ARE WELCOME! (Adults only for this one.) Enjoy the musical stylings of Chad Pidgeon, Rich Wickens & John Gardner (Band name for the evening -"Daddy Mac") Featuring macaroni and cheese homemade by our awesome 7th & 8th grade Dads. (Plus some other comfort foods.) Cash bar by Snow Farm. \$10 per person minimum donation at the door, or buy tickets in advance at school. This is going to be a fun night out with our community, and is a fundraiser for the 7th & 8th grade Spring trip. See you there!

## Hay Day is November 2<sup>nd</sup>

**One week until Hay Day!** This autumn arts festival is on **November 2nd** all day. It is bound to be a fabulous day of community involvement, autumn nature, movement and the arts for all. Start a conversation with your child about the unique day that will be filled with special events, a different mix of peers and guest teachers; our expectations are the same as a normal day: **Take Care of yourself, Others and Our Community**. Let's make this day a positive experience for everyone and learn how to create some amazing things, have special experiences and learn from our neighbors. Some workshops will be outside, therefore, make sure your kiddos are dressed for the weather (everyone hold the intention that Nov. 2nd will be a BEAUTIFUL mild sunny fall day!)

Naturally I am still looking for a number of items, scavenger hunts are the perfect way to spend quality time with your family and friends... let the hunt begin!

\*wood burners to borrow (A LOT) \*wood beads with large holes \*food coloring \*vines \*moss \*dried flowers \*green floral wire \*small jars with lids \*wire cutters & pliers to borrow \*tree bark \*driftwood \*a bag of potting soil \*dried corn kernels \*jewelry tools to borrow \*cookie cutters \*googlie eyes \*small rocks \*(30)~9-12 inch wood slices (call me if you can help with this!)

### Hay Day Schedule ~November 2nd

7:45-8:55 Homeroom time ~Morning meetings/discussion/expectations

#### 9:00-10:00 Workshop 1

10:00-10:30 snack time

#### 10:30-11:30 workshop 2

11:30-12:35 Normal Recess and Lunch

12:35-12:45 homeroom

12:45-1:30 5-8 in the gym for performance

#### K-4 in 3rd workshop

1:30-2:20 K-4 in the gym for performance

#### 5-8 in 3rd workshop

2:20-2:55 homerooms~ pack up/reflection/survey

## Parent Teacher Conferences are November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. To sign up online, please enter the following address in your internet browser: [www.ptcfast.com/reg1](http://www.ptcfast.com/reg1)

### CODES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

KINDERGARTEN - COUTURE – Q1E112383

1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE - MYLER – QC5112386

2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE – DEGREE – 4H5180139

3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE – BESSETTE – 4YP147479

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE - HOLM – H34112629

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEAM – 9X0112388

ART/BEDARD – L4P114332

FRENCH/BISHOP – A1C15300

MUSIC/KAUFFELD – WJT112561

PE/RIEGLER – G3216830

GUIDANCE – FISHER – KC4180177

LIBRARY/MEDIA SPECIALIST – THOMA – 9PY180210

SPECIAL EDUCATION – VAUGHN – FJ71173039

SPECIAL EDUCATION – SAXER – YED1211562

SLP – NICHOLSON – GQ3180165

If you are not able to sign up online, please call Sue at 372-6600 ext. 2.

## PTO Pop up Store Coming Soon

Your PTO is opening a Pop-Up Online store very soon!!! It will only be open for 2 weeks and you will be able to order Folsom Wear for your entire family! Look for details soon!! See you at Trunk or Treat! We'll have dinner food for you!