



Weekly Salmon Pages

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### **Dates to Remember:**

Wed	Nov 18:	Parent Meeting, 6 PM to 8 PM
Thu	Nov 26:	School Closed for Thanksgiving
Fri	Nov 27:	School Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
Mon	Nov 30:	Fundraising Orders Due
Thu	Dec 3:	Third Grade Field Trip, 9 AM to 2 PM
Tue	Dec 8:	New High School Meeting, 7 PM to 8 PM



### **One World Community Day**

They say you can tell a lot about a community by the food they bring to the table. When our faculty, parents, and students pulled together to create One Word Community Day last Friday, we learned what a great community we have here at City Neighbors Hamilton. So many people contributed, and the food was delicious, homemade, authentic, and from around the globe!

Thank you to the CNH faculty, students, the many parents, grandparents, and family members who participated in one way or another to make our first Culminating Theme Event a great success. It was truly a community event.

The festivities began with the Parade of Dignitaries, and the students proudly displayed their costumes and flags from around the world as they marched through the auditorium and up onto the stage.

The activities planned by the faculty had the students deeply engaged in Spanish dancing, writing in Chinese, making African masks, creating puppets, examining artifacts, making music from different cultures, and playing group games in a joyful way. All of this was happening in mixed-age groupings and with the support of parents and grandparents who participated. I witnessed so many interactions between students and teachers and parents that were deeply respectful, gentle, and loving. Our students really rose to the occasion and set a high standard for participation and behavior during this event.

Many teachers commented to me that they felt very supported by the family members who contributed by making posters, preparing and sending food, and volunteering on the day of the event. On their behalf, I thank you for this support. Let's keep the momentum going, working together to make our school thrive!

~Bobbi~

*"The one real goal of education is to leave a person asking questions." ~Max Beerbohm~*

### **Flu Vaccination Update**

As of this writing, we have no further updates on the administering of the H1N1 vaccination. We will provide you information as we receive it.

## CNH Winter Cancelled

In order to gain more planning time, the CNH Winter Bazaar, originally scheduled for 12/5, has been cancelled. Please look for a similar event in the Spring!

## Camera Found

A digital camera was found in the cafeteria this morning, presumably someone left it behind at One World Community Day. Please see Stephanie if you believe this is yours.

## End-of-Day Dismissal Procedures

Now that we are in week twelve of our first school year, we thought it might be helpful to review our dismissal procedures:

At **3:10**, all classes will leave their classrooms and proceed to the cafeteria. Each class has a designated meeting space. All children are expected to stay with their class while en route to the cafeteria, so their teacher can account for them and dismiss the child directly to his/her parent, guardian, or designee as indicated on the Dismissal and Pick-Up forms. Please be sure to keep this form current to avoid any confusion or inconvenience.

At **3:15**, students will be dismissed. Formal announcements will only be made on an as-needed basis. Please be sure to connect with your child's teacher before taking your child, so we can be certain they have been collected by the correct person.

By adhering to these procedures, you are helping us keep your children safe. Thank you!



## Tree Planting

Thank you to everyone who helped plant trees on our grounds Saturday. They are lovely additions to our campus and will grace it for many years to come.

## Parking Around CNH

Thank you to everyone who has taken the request to respect our neighbors to heart and have altered your parking patterns to accommodate them. It has not gone unnoticed by them and everyone appreciates your efforts.

To those of you who have not yet done so, please consider our neighbors before choosing to block driveways or park on curbs. Our neighbors take pride in their homes. Cars and SUVs parked on curbs destroy them. And please be aware that it is unlawful to do either of those things, giving inconvenienced neighbors every reason to call the police. Let's not let it get to that point.

In addition, if the school driveway gate is open, please refrain from parking in or along the driveway or around the back of the school. It simply does not work in terms of traffic flow, possibly putting our students at risk.

We realize parking is a challenge around our building. Your understanding is much appreciated.

## Committees

Thank you to the Board of City Neighbors Hamilton for their work in getting our committees up and running.

The committees are an essential component of our model. If you haven't found just the right committee for your family, please feel free to stop by and talk with me or connect with Kim Lane, our Family and Community Relations Chair:

[klane@cityneighborshamilton.org](mailto:klane@cityneighborshamilton.org). Kim will help you find your way! You are also welcome to stop by and talk with me anytime. We need you!

~Bobbi~