



Lower School Newsletter from Wade Putnal November 30, 2017

Our mission at First Presbyterian Day School is to educate and equip students to change the world for God's glory.

The **Elementary Christmas program** is Thursday, Dec. 7th at 1:00 and 7:00 pm. The title of this year's program is "**The Wonder of Christmas.**" All children in 1st - 4th grade, as well as 5th grade Chorus members, will dress in dressy Christmas wear. No jeans.

5th Grade Band: **Boys:** Long-sleeved shirt (any color), tie, dress pants/slacks, dark shoes, socks (NO SNEAKERS). **Girls:** Full-length dress, ankle-length skirt, or slacks with top (no open back or sleeveless tops; no short skirts), dress shoes. Christmas colors are fine.

**The 1:00 pm performance will be live streamed for grandparents and friends to view from afar ☺. <https://livestream.com/fpdmacon/events/7959970>

DRESS DOWN- Friday, December 8th- \$1 Donations for local *Mentor's Project*
Elementary students may wear a Christmas sweater/shirt or Viking spirit shirt and jeans for \$1 donations.

Upcoming Lower School Chapels:

Special Chapel on **Thursday**, December 14th @12:05- 4th grade will present.

December 15th - Elementary Christmas Sing-a-Long @ 10:30 am.

Parents are always welcome to join us in the Clark Fine Arts Center.

BACKPACK MINISTRIES: The local food bank is low, so please send Vienna sausages, applesauce, and juice boxes. Thanks for helping as we minister to needy children in our community.

Please **label all jackets, coats, sweaters, hats, mittens, lunchboxes, etc.** All unclaimed/unlabeled items will be removed during the Christmas holidays. Please check the Lost & Found rack for missing items.

Christmas is coming and **The Viking Store** has all sorts of items for any-age Viking, including "Viking Bucks" gift cards available in any amount! Get ready for cooler weather with uniform-approved outerwear and scarves. We have so many new products including Viking room decorations, mirrored car tags, Christmas ornaments, jewelry and stuffed bears wearing a cheerleading uniform or letterman's jacket. We have lots of stocking stuffers too! Visit us at www.fpdmacon.org/tvs and "like us" on Facebook @ FPD-The Viking Store. Open school days 7:45am- 3:30pm. Located in the MAC near the cafeteria. We are open during most home Varsity basketball games. We accept credit cards except American Express.

The Viking Store will be open until 3:30pm on Tuesday, Dec. 13th, during the Elementary Christmas music program. This is a great time for parents and grandparents to shop!



LOOKING for a great gift.... Books! Children that are read to and read with on a daily basis have a marked increase in their literacy, writing, and comprehension skills. READING to and with your child every chance you get is one of the greatest gifts you can give them! We encourage students to always have a book in their book-bag. Electronics are not allowed during school unless for instruction (as per our Elementary Handbook.) A great time for AR reading is before or after school.

DRESS CODE Reminders: Socks, tights, and leggings should be solid red, white, black or gray. All accessories (hairbows, headbands, etc) should also be school approved colors. Boys hair should not cover ears or eyes and should not touch collar.

Class Photographers: If you have photos of your child's field trips and other school-related activities to share, please send to your child's teacher throughout the year. Thanks so much!

LUNCH PLAN: If your child is not on a 3-day or 5-day dining plan, and they eat in the lunchroom at any time, please email Carrie.Rogers@fpdmacon.org or send a note to the Elementary Office to let us know so that we may add this charge to your billing statement.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Thursday, December 14th is a full day for 3K- 5th grade.
- Christmas Sing-a-Long for Lower School (3K- 5th grade)- Friday, December 15th @ 10:30 am
- Last Day of School for 3K- 5th grade – Friday, December 15th -12 noon dismissal.
No lunch served. Extended Day is available Friday, December 15th until 6pm. Please contact Lauren Wrabel if your child will attend.
- Christmas Holidays for Lower School (3K- 5th grade)- December 18- January 3rd

- First Day of School in 2018 – Thursday, January 4, 2018
- MLK Holiday – Monday, January 15th, 2018– No School
- Please invite your friends to our upcoming **FPD PREVIEW DAY** for Prospective Families:
FPD Open House, 3K-12th grade, Sunday, January 28th, 2018, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm in the Clark Fine Arts Center lobby. If you know anyone that you'd like us to contact, email: admissions@fpdmacon.org



1st Annual Dick Frame 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run to Benefit ALS

Saturday, January 6th, 2018

Dick Frame Track and Field Complex

For more information, visit our website at www.framefunrun.com

