



Forest Hills

Lutheran Christian School

Forest Hills Friday News
September 9, 2016

Just this past August, our staff had a wonderful opportunity to engage in team building at Tree to Tree in Gaston. We enjoyed each other's company as we learned more about teamwork, communication, and other facets of coming together as a solid group for the sake of our students this year. Admittedly, we had even more fun than just the team building. We were also able to go on their adventure course with a variety of elements and zip lines. The experience was incredible, one that I would recommend for any group, family, or individual!

If you haven't been out there before, the elements on the adventure course require some physical strength, but also some mental stamina. There are only two things in this world of which I'm afraid, and one of them is heights. I've always said that I wouldn't allow my fears to cripple me or keep me from doing things, so I went on their high elements and did all the trails on the adventure course (even the super-challenging black trail!!). The *ONLY* thing that calmed me down way up there in the high trees is that I was harnessed, and they had a carabineer system that made sure I was connected at all times. The way they do it is in such a way that you cannot be separated from the course until you are down on the ground and there is no possibility of any danger.

I fully relied on that carabineer. There were times my whole weight was trusting on that one link - the carabineer with the metal line holding the element. Without that connection, I'm sure that I would have buckled at my knees and fallen the 10 miles down to the ground (at least, it FELT like 10 miles when we were up there ☺). In fact, without that one connection, I wouldn't have even gone on the course.

Isn't that the way it is in our own lives as well! We are connected to the one source of all safety and comfort, God Himself. Through that one connection, we are assured that we are safe in Jesus' arms. We have assurances that God is by our side, never to leave us or forsake us. Just as the connections on the adventure course saved my life, the connection that we have to Christ is a life-saver as well. He is the one who takes care of us each day. He is the one who gives us all we need in order to sustain us through this life and into the next. We read in Romans 8:32 that, "He who did not spare his own Son, but gave Him up for us all - how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"

The connection we have to God our Heavenly Father is through Jesus His Son. He gives us blessings each and every day. Some come in obvious forms, and some come as blessings that we can't see or understand. Yet regardless of what your day holds, He will sustain you through. No matter what 'element' you are currently standing on, and no matter how high that element is, God is your carabineer. He's the one who will guide you to safety and bring you into His Heavenly mansion, the one He is preparing for you now.

So what are you facing this week? Do you have challenges at work or at home? Do you have joy in abundance? Is there uncertainty in your mind? Whatever it is, you can know with certainty that God guides you through each step of life, and He will take care of all your needs, graciously giving you all things. God's blessings on your week.

Mike Schiemann. <><
Principal

Coming Events

Monday, 9/12	Picture Day - SMILE! Running Club, 3-3:30 pm
Friday, 9/16	CLASS Meeting, 6:30 pm Middle School Dane 8-10 pm
Tuesday, 9/20	Brd. of Directors Mtg., 7 pm
Friday, 9/30	Run for the Hills Kick-Off Assembly Grandparents/GrandFriends Visit FHLCS!
Friday, 10/14	Run for the Hills CLASS Meeting, 6:30 pm
Monday, 10/17	Picture Retakes
Monday, 10/24	Teacher Work Day, NO SCHOOL
Tuesday, 10/25	Parent Conferences NO SCHOOL Happy Birthday, Mrs. Heldt!
Wednesday, 10/26	Parent Conferences NO SCHOOL
October 26, 27 & 28	Northwest District Lutheran Educators Conference, No School

In today's Family Envelope you will find an RSVP for our upcoming Grandparents Day. Could you please follow up with your student's grandparent/grandfriend to see if they will be attending this fun event on September 30th?

- We are also still in need of some volunteers for that day - please contact Patti White at info@fhcs.org to sign up.

Next Week in Chapel



SOAR
Standing On A Rock

Families and friends are always welcome to join us each Wednesday at 8:20 a.m. at St. Peter's for chapel.

Picture Day is HERE

Monday, September 12th Lifetouch Photography will be here to capture this year's school pictures. Enclose cash, money order, credit card information or check payable to **Lifetouch** or print and bring the receipt if you order your packet online at mylifetouch.com - Picture Day ID: FO746045Q0.



CLASS (Community Leaders Advocating & Serving Students) is an organization of parents and Forest Hills staff committed to supporting the students of the school.

CLASS Meeting - Friday, September 16th 6:30pm-8pm.

Please join us for our first CLASS meeting of the year! Childcare will be provided - but please fill out the purple RSVP flyer so that we know who will be joining us. We will be discussing the upcoming school year - see you there!

Falcon Wear

We are excited to share that in addition to t-shirts and hoodies, we will be offering screen printed track pants, gym shorts, cinch bags and travel coffee mugs this year!

T-shirts, hoodies & cinch bags will feature the FHLCS logo on the front. Gym shorts will have a smaller logo on the leg and track pants will have FOREST HILLS printed down the side. Travel coffee mugs will feature the FHLCS logo.

Also available in adult sizes are some additional styles with an embroidered pocket size logo.

➡ See the order form being sent home today for styles and prices. Also, see the other attachment with this newsletter for a full color flyer. Orders are due in the office by Monday, September 19th.

\$crip is Back!

Our first \$crip order will be placed on Monday, September 12th. See the blue flyer in your Family Envelope for more information. If you have questions about \$crip, please contact Diane Nuno - nunod@fhllcs.org.

The Extended Care has recycled a number of toys that were worn and broken. If you have a baby doll (no Barbies needed), doll bed or wooden building blocks, please consider donating them. Drop them off at the school office.

2016 Run for the Hills!

Our annual jog-a-thon is right around the corner on **Friday, October 14th**.

K-4th Grades Running Club

Returning runners need to pick up your **Runner's Contract** in the school office.

Runners cannot participate until a signed form is received prior to run time.

Beginning Monday, September 12th the club will meet after school out on the "track" on Mondays and Thursdays from 3 - 3:30 p.m. for the months of September - October and again in April - May.



Our goal is to promote running fun for our younger students.

One Day ONLY

We will have a **Scrap Metal Drop Box** on campus on Thursday, September 15. It will be located back by the Maintenance Building. Stop and drop **anytime on Thursday!**





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Ready to align your faith and finances? Get started with an investment with Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) that fits your needs. With LCEF, you will work with a financial partner who shares your values—without sacrificing great interest rates. Plus, LCEF's many investment options provide you with convenient, secure access to your account information whenever you need it. If you want to talk in person first, give LCEF a call at **800-843-5233** or visit their website at **lcef.org**.

Do you need a FHLCS window decal for your car? Come and get yours in the office and show your support of Forest Hills!!

Kites, Taking Flight

This Friday night FHLCS Cub Scout Pack 200 will kick off our first Pack Meeting of the new school year! We will be building kites and seeing if we can take to the skies. All Kindergarten through 5th grade boys and their families are invited to come fly a kite with us and see what Cub Scouts is all about. We will meet in the school cafeteria at 6:30pm this Friday the 9th. For questions contact Jeff Ezzell < jeff.ezzell@yahoo.com >

Back to School Dance

Middle School Dance
Friday, September 16th
8-10pm
Cafeteria

Theme: Neon!!