



# The Nutshell



September 14, 2009

## Dates to Remember

Sep 16	Picture Day
Sep 25	Pizza Day
Oct 1	Gentry Farm
Oct 3	Duck Race

## News and Notes . . .

. . . **Absences.** Please remember to submit a written note regarding your child's absence to the front office within 3 days of your child's return to school. The absence will then be changed to "Excused" provided it meets the requirements on the bottom of page 2 of the Student/Parent handbook

. . . **Vote for NHA** in Christie Cookie's "Favorite Charity" contest. Go to this link <http://www.ilovechristiecookies.com/contest/form.asp> and vote once for each e-mail address you have. We could win up to \$10,000!

. . . **Please stay in your car** when dropping of your students in the morning. If you must get out, please drive through and **park in the lot (not along the curb).**

### \*\*\* LUNCH DUTY \*\*\*

Each grade has been assigned a week to provide volunteers (2 per day) to serve lunch. Please note the open dates below and consider contacting the office if you can help fill them in. Feel free to sign up even if it is not the week for your child's grade.

Sep 15	Sauder/Jones
Sep 16	Need 2 (1 <sup>st</sup> Grade)
Sep 17	Need 2 (1 <sup>st</sup> Grade)
Sep 18	Grayson/Allingham
Sep 21	Beck/Zongor
Sep 22	Sauder/Zongor
Sep 23	Tjornhom/Zongor
Sep 24	Jones/Zongor
Sep 28	Koellein/Driskell
Sep 29	Sauder/Cundall
Sep 30	Need 2 (Pre-K)
Oct 1	Need 1(Pre-K)/Haworth
Oct 2	Harold/Duncan

## Bring the Family to the Farm Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>

The Gentry Farm school-wide family field trip is coming up **Thursday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> from 4:00-6:30 p.m.** If you will need help getting your child to the farm by 4:00 and have not already made arrangements, please let your teacher know so we can help find a ride.

For those of you that are new to the school, Gentry Farm is a working farm that has numerous barns with activities, a corn maze, hayrides, and pumpkins. It is a wonderful setting for us to fellowship together while enjoying God's blessings on a prayerfully beautiful fall afternoon.

We need to get an estimate of the number of people attending so please return the orange sign-up form that was sent home last week by Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. This information is needed to know how many pumpkins to order and to determine the hayride schedule.

Speaking of the hayride schedule, your family will be assigned an approximate time for the hayride. Please try to honor this time to help make the process run smoothly.

There will be no food on the trip. There will, however, be a sign-up sheet

## Forever NHA: Help Stamp Out High Postage Costs

. All NHA family and friends: Please support a new campaign this year called "**Forever NHA**". As you now, postage costs keep rising and rising. Unfortunately, New Hope Academy is not immune to these ever-increasing costs.

The **Forever NHA** campaign asks that whenever you stop in at your local post office, please consider purchasing one sheet of "Forever" stamps and donating them to NHA. NHA can use these stamps regardless of when the stamps are purchased and no matter how prices may change in the future. This will help the school better manage and keep down the added costs of postage.

in each classroom for at least 3 families from each class to bring one dozen small bottles of water. The 4<sup>th</sup> Grade parents will collect the water the day before and ice it down for the field trip.

Directions to Gentry Farm will be sent home closer to the event date. Please contact Ms. Davis at 595-0324 or [rdavis@nhafranklin.org](mailto:rdavis@nhafranklin.org) if you have any other questions. Otherwise, be sure to mark your calendars for this fun family event.

## Picture Day, Sep. 16<sup>th</sup> (THIS WEDNESDAY)

A photographer will be on site on Wednesday, Sep. 16<sup>th</sup>, to take school pictures. Students should wear their regular school uniforms.

You are not required to buy any pictures. **Class pictures** must be ordered and paid for on picture day.

**Individual photos** do not need to be ordered that day. Individual proofs will be sent home later and individual pictures may be ordered at that time. .

This year Inter-State Studios is offering a variety of background options. You can check them out at <http://portraits.inter-state.com/?parents&page=fall>.

Retakes are scheduled for Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>.

## Josh Ellis Motorcars Supports 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip

If you are looking for a new car, please be sure to stop by Josh Ellis Motorcars at the corner of Hillsboro Rd and 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. North, or their bargain lot on Columbia Ave. across from HG Hills. If you buy a car and tell them you are from New Hope and they will donate \$100 toward the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade class trip to Washington, D.C. next spring.

You can check out some of their inventory online at [www.joshellismotorcars.com](http://www.joshellismotorcars.com). Be sure to ask for Neal Castillo when you visit their lot.

## ACORN Program Lets Kids Learn & Play

In case you haven't heard, the ACORN program is up and running again this year. The program, headed up by Doris McMillan with the help of NHA parent Ivy Myers, is available for all New Hope students to provide supervision (and fun) after school up until 6:00 p.m. each school day.

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Raising Funds for D.C. Trip Next May

All you coffee-lovers can grab a cup of fresh roasted coffee on Friday mornings and help fund the 6<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Washington, D.C. It will be available after devotions for \$1.00 a cup. Part of the proceeds also helps support an orphanage in Africa so you will be supporting two causes at once! The coffee is roasted locally by NHA parents Scott and Lynde Hord, who started the business called "ABBA JAVA". You may also purchase a pound of coffee for \$13.00.

If you like to decorate with mums this fall or just need some for a gift, please purchase them from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade class to help fund the D.C. trip. They come in 5 colors. There are 8" mums for \$7.00 (2 for \$12.00) and the 12" mums are \$15.00 (2 for \$25.00).

Finally, if you missed your chance to donate your no-longer-needed items to 6<sup>th</sup> grade for a garage sale, it's not too late. They will have another garage sale on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. They are taking gently used toys, books, furniture or clothes, etc. You can drop off your items at the school on Tuesdays or Thursdays. Any questions, call Lori Beck at 591-8733 or e-mail her at [lbeck96@comcast.net](mailto:lbeck96@comcast.net).

The afternoon starts with a snack, followed by some learning activities and "life skills" lessons as well as homework time, mixed in with plenty of play time, too.

The cost of the program is \$12.50 per week for each child. Checks should be made out to New Hope Academy (not ACORN). If the child misses a day they can carry over the credit to subsequent weeks. Please note that **if you have not picked up your child by 4:00 you will be charged for that day.**

Registration forms are available in the office. Stop in and pick one up if you are interested and haven't done so already.

Also, please mark your calendars for Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. ACORN will host an open house that evening from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Peggy Southard Early Childhood Wing. This will be a good opportunity to learn more about the program and see what your children are learning after school.

## Duck Race Deadline Waddles Ever Nearer

The Duck Race is less than three weeks away! Thanks to all of the parents who have helped to sell at our ticket booths.

The event is scheduled for Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Pinkerton Park. Festivities run from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The race itself starts at 12:30. Check out the website at [www.franklinduckrace.com](http://www.franklinduckrace.com).

This means there are only two more Saturdays (Sep. 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>) for booth sales. We still have holes to fill so please sign up at the school if you can help.

Carnival grade captains should be contacting you soon regarding help for

## Student Prayer Warriors

Each student has been assigned a day to pray for our school. Of course we always encourage you to pray with your child, but please make extra effort to join your child in praying for NHA on their assigned day. The prayer warriors for September 15-28 are:

Sep 15	Liam Brown
Sep 16	Dante Bull Shields
Sep 17	Oliver Campbell
Sep 18	Daviona Carter
Sep 19	Nazir Castillo
Sep 20	Rosie Chasing Crow
Sep 21	Christopher Clark
Sep 22	Harrison Clarke
Sep 23	John Clarke
Sep 24	William Clarke
Sep 25	Karinne Cobb
Sep 26	Kendall Cobb
Sep 27	Skyler Cochran
Sep 28	Cason Coffee

your grade's booth the day of the race. The goal is to make this a fun event for the entire city of Franklin, so please consider helping in a 30-minute shift.

Finally, the 2009 Duck Race t-shirts will be available this week in adult & children's sizes for \$5. Stop by the development department to get one!

If you have any questions about the duck race or want to volunteer, contact Allison Cobb, [allison@lighthousecounsel.com](mailto:allison@lighthousecounsel.com) or 400-8221.



## Rodin at Bella Luce Extended 3 More Weeks

The art exhibit at the Bella Luce estate was a smashing success. So much so, in fact, that event organizers have decided to extend it for three more weeks!

Thank you to all who helped out last week. The schedule will be the same as it was last week: Thursday-Sunday, 11:00-6:00 p.m. each day.

We will need at least 2 people again to cover different shifts each day, taking tickets at the door and helping with parking. Remember, NHA benefits from the ticket sales and it's a great way to tell people about the school. Contact Kathy Sauder ([pksauder@comcast.net](mailto:pksauder@comcast.net) or 504-3649) if you can help.

## Prayer Corner

Weekly parent prayer meetings for New Hope are held on Wednesdays from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the prayer room in the NHA library.

Yanira Ocasio leads this prayer time. Anyone is welcome to come and pray for our students, faculty, and staff during that time.