

# **E-NEWS**

Week of December 4, 2023

# **DOLLAR DRESS FRIDAY**

We will have a **Dollar Dress Day this Friday**, December 8. Students are free to wear holiday attire that meets the Dress Code. The dollar donation collected at the door will benefit Operation Christmas Child. For more information, please contact Ms. White at <a href="https://www.lwhite.gov/length/">lwhite@hpaspart.org</a>.



## STUDENT ILLNESSES

We have seen a serious increase in colds and flu among staff and students. Those who come to school presenting symptoms are being sent home for everyone's safety. We want to preserve your holiday fun and help you stay healthy. Please be vigilant and keep your child home when the following symptoms are present:

- Temperature of 100 degrees F or higher within the past 24 hours
- Vomiting or diarrhea within the past 24 hours
- Strep infections
- Rash of unknown origin

Now is a good time to make sure your family is eating healthy, taking extra Vitamin C, and practicing good handwashing and similar healthy habits. Thank you for showing your holiday spirit by taking extra special care of our HPA family in this way!

### **WINTER SHOPPE**

PTO's annual Winter Shoppe is all this week - through Friday, December 8. It's an opportunity for students to shop for gifts for family and friends. Each elementary class has a designated time to visit. Middle and high school students can shop during their lunchtime or with permission from their teachers. Items include everything from gifts for Grandpa to toy ukuleles for the Swifties in your life.



### **NEW STUDENT LOTTERY OPEN**

The window for NEW students to apply for the **2024-2025 HPA Lottery** is now open through March 13, 2024. **YOU** are our best ambassadors. If you know an academically minded family who would like to join the HPA family, please tell them about us - and let them know we are now accepting lottery applications for NEW students for next school year.

Click here for the link to the lottery application page.

Students currently enrolled at High Point Academy do not need to take any action at this time. After the lottery, you will receive a registration email with detailed instructions and a link to register for the 2024-2025 school year.

#### **DICKENS OF A CHRISTMAS**

We are so proud of our Honors Concert Choir that will perform tomorrow night, Tuesday, December 5, at Dickens of a Christmas! HPA takes to the stage at 7:30 p.m. at the Church Street Stage, following the Christmas Tree Lighting at 7 p.m. Go Grizzlies!



# **HPA HOLIDAY SHOWS**

Our holiday shows continue this week with two elementary school performances and a third next week.

- Third Grade Holiday Show: Tuesday, December 5
- Second Grade Holiday Show: Thursday, December 7
- First Grade Holiday Show: Tuesday, December 12

Each show starts at 6:30 p.m. in our Performing Arts Center. All are free! Parents, family and friends are welcome.

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#### **KENDAMA CLUB**

Kendama is coming to HPA! Professional Kendama player and HPA alum Noah Hopkins will host weekly group sessions where students can put their creativity, focus, and determination to the test through the art of the ancient Japanese skill-toy. The Kendama Club starts on Tuesday, January 9, at 3:30 p.m. in the Elementary Dance Room. All grades welcome - from beginners to experts! Kendamas will be provided for the sessions. For more information, contact Mrs. Hopkins at <a href="mailto:thopkins@hpaspart.org">thopkins@hpaspart.org</a>.



### **MORE UPCOMING EVENTS**

HALF DAY: Friday, December 15, Half Day

WINTER BREAK: Monday, December 18 - Tuesday, January 2, 2024

MLK DAY: Monday, January 15 - No School

# Events Calendar Staff Directory

Have a great week!

The HPA Team