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## MIDDLE SCHOOL MILESTONES

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Week twelve will again be one of those busy weeks of opportunities to work hard, learn and enjoy the success that comes with work and learning. I strongly encourage all students, with the help of teachers and parents, to clearly stay focused on academic responsibilities this week. Second quarter progress reports will be given next week. I am enjoying opportunities I have seeing our students perform in the classroom. Keep up the good work! Another important part of this week is our class trip meetings for 7th and 8th grades. Meetings will be held in the Upper School Auditorium as follows:

**\*7th grade trip meeting**, Tuesday, Nov. 8, 7:00 p.m. Rachel Waite, from the Eagle's Nest Foundation of Pisgah Forest, N.C., will be giving us a presentation on her organization's program. This outdoor education trip is designed to engage the hands, heart and head in active learning. Primary goals of the Eagle's Nest experience are to promote community as a vital part of human existence and to teach a sense of belonging to each other. I believe this will be a strong bonding experience for our 7th graders late in the year and also provide excellent leadership experience as they move into the key roles of being Middle School 8th grade leaders next year.

I'm sorry about the scheduling conflict with election day but I'm hopeful we all can work around this and attend this important meeting.

**\*8th grade trip meeting**, Thursday, Nov. 10, 7:00 p.m. Johnny Thomas of Thomas Tours, Inc. who is our 6th grade Washington Trip coordinator, will be presenting two proposals for our 8th grade trip. One trip is built around EPCOT's Youth Education Series (YES), Orlando, FL. The second trip is a New York trip by way of Historic Philadelphia and points of interest in and around New York City.

----- Mr. FRAwley

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### -- New Sign Shines for Middle School --

If you have ever had the task of describing exactly where the Middle School is to a visitor you've experienced a real challenge -- BUT NO MORE! Thanks to Mike Cooper. Mike has been working with us on this project for several weeks and last week he completed the work by installing the letters for our New Middle School Building Signs. It Looks Great! Thank you, Mike Cooper!

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### -- In The Community --

What talent we have in the Middle School! Last week Sarah Davis traveled to Cleveland, Ohio to participate in the Eastern Great Lakes Regional Figure Skating Competition. She and her pairs partner captured the silver medal in the Juvenile Pairs A Division. This qualifies them for the 1995 Junior Olympics - Juvenile/Intermediate National Figure Skating Championships in Indianapolis in April, 1995. How wonderful Sarah. Congratulations!

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## F U N D R A I S E R S

The Spring Consignment Sale resulted in a \$3,704 profit for FRA technology. This is a very successful event because of the efficient organizers, **Pam Koerner, Lorene Morgan and Dawn Robinson**, a host of helpers and numerous families who recycle their clothes through this sale. Save your nice outgrown items for next year!

Kroger Food Co. sent \$500 for grocery receipts! We are grateful to **Lena Walsh** and her committee who faithfully count and package the receipts. This money is also earmarked for technology.

If you have not seen the fabulous mural in the Danner Hall entry, go and look. **Mike Cooper** donated his talent and time and

brightened the Lower School with an interesting and eye-catching scene which he created just for FRA. Thanks Mike!

Our "very fun" FUN FESTIVAL and our very lovely Live Auction Dinner, PIZZAZZ were record-breaking successes this year. In the next issue of *4700 Franklin Road* magazine, we will publish totals and how the money has been spent on our students and classrooms. Chairmen **Mona Martin and Julie Steele** (Festival) and **Jackie Logan and Sandie Griffith** (PIZZAZZ) were organized, professional and brought in over \$90,000 combined.

The 1994-95 Annual Fund Drive has met its goal and, thanks to YOU, had an

increase in participation from parents and grandparents. When all outstanding pledges are paid, we should see a 15% increase in this most important FRA fundraiser. Parent and grandparent chairmen **David Young, Judy Nichols, Patsy Cannon and Ted Welch** gave many hours to the Annual Fund Drive, and their help is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for a wonderfully generous year both in volunteer time and financial support. Gifts to FRA are tax deductible and will be recognized in the Annual Report published in August.

**Marie Maxwell**, Director of Development