

## *Program Notes*

### *Outdoor Week, September 18 to 22*

Grade 9, 11 and 12's outdoor trip is coming up in September. Grade 10 will have their outdoor experience in the Spring. Specific gear needs, locations, and leaders will be announced separately.

### *Schedules and Advisors*

Class schedules, advisor assignments, and main lesson rotations will be available at the start of the school year.

### *Service Program*

All students participate in our service program, which includes group projects organized by the faculty on Martin Luther King Day and Earth Day, and one or two student-initiated individual or group projects totaling approximately 16 hours over the school year. Students must submit a service proposal form to their class sponsors, and after approval, bring the form to their volunteer supervisor to verify their hours when they have completed the service. Class sponsors will review the program with students during their class meetings. A copy of the proposal form is available on the FORMS page of the website for students who'd like to get a head start!

### *Self-paced Math Studies*

Our math department will introduce our self-paced math program during the HS meeting on Back to School Night, Wednesday, August 31, and during Grade 9 orientation on Thursday, August 31. Another meeting is scheduled for that Thursday evening at 6 pm for those who would like a more detailed presentation. Math students will be taught by Ms. Shupack, Mr. Wasko, and our new math teacher, Ms. Sabrina Kaplan, who will also teach Computer Science in Grade 10.

### *Project Week*

In November, students and faculty will take a week off from classes to participate in cross-disciplinary, mixed-grade learning projects. Topics have included dance, yoga, applied arts, design, literature, cooking, and many other endeavors.

### *Foreign Exchange*

Students who would like to arrange a foreign exchange with a student from a Waldorf school in a German- or Spanish-speaking country in Grade 10 or 11 can speak with Frau Fretz, our exchange coordinator, for program information, approval, and help in finding an exchange partner.

### *Graduation Day*

The last day of school is actually a Saturday: June 16, the day of graduation. Students prepare music in the last few weeks of school to perform during the ceremony, and grades 9-11 are expected to assist in various capacities throughout the event. Parent assistance is appreciated!