

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

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"There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these is *roots*; the other, *wings*." -Hodding Carter, American Journalist

THANK YOU, THANK YOU! I was so moved by the 20th Anniversary celebrations and gifts, I have struggled with how to say thank you. Words seem woefully inadequate. What I am truly cherishing the most is the pleasure of having the opportunity to work with such wonderful people for 20 years! Holy Rosary is simply the BEST and I am the one who is most blessed. The memory book put together by Ms. Sturgeon, teachers and staff, and students is beautiful and something I will treasure forever. I am very excited about a trip to New York and hope to travel there next spring, perhaps over Easter vacation. I pray that I can serve you well for, well, maybe not another 20, but many more! From the bottom of my heart, I say thank you. Kris Brown

<u>PARENTS' CLUB AND ART WALK – TONIGHT!</u> Please join us this evening for the final Parents' Club meeting of the year, followed by an Art Walk beginning at 7:15PM. We thank our art specialist, Ms. Maureen Curran, the students who created the art, the parent helpers who helped display the art, and the 7th & 8th graders who will serve as art docents this evening. Please come!

YOU'RE CORDIALLY INVITED TO "OSCAR NIGHT AT HRS" TOMORROW, MAY 19. The Talent Show is tomorrow, Friday, May 19 in Lanigan Gym! Act I, the K-4 performances and the HRS Band, begins at 9:30 am and should run about an hour and forty minutes. Act II, the 5-8 performances, begins at 1:30 pm and should run a little longer than an hour. All are welcome!

RED CARPET FREE DRESS DAY IS FRIDAY MAY 19. Students are invited to dress like their favorite Hollywood star or to wear their favorite "red carpet" outfit to school tomorrow on Talent Show day. Please be sure to follow the Free Dress/Theme Days.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SECOND GRADERS.</u> The second grade students will celebrate their First Holy Communion together on Saturday, May 20, at 10:00 AM. The Mass will be followed by a reception prepared by our third grade parents in Lanigan Gym. Please continue to keep our second grade students in your prayers.

<u>ATTENTION THIRD GRADE PARENTS.</u> Please remember to bring fruit and flowers tomorrow morning for the First Communion reception. Help is still needed on Saturday to host the reception. Please see flyer that your children brought home today. Thank you for your help.

<u>PARENT SURVEY.</u> Thank you for completing and returning your parent surveys. Your input is important to us and helps us continue to plan and improve our programs. It's not too late to return yours. We would love to have 100% of these surveys returned. Thank you.

ATTENTION 8TH GRADE PARENTS. Parents in Touch will have a special prayer time dedicated to our 8th grade graduates this Monday, May 22nd from 8:30 – 9:00 am in the Convent chapel. We will pray for each student individually and would love to have parents come and add their prayer intentions for their graduates. If you are unable to come, but have a prayer request please e-mail me (kanes6@comcast.net) or phone me at 938-0673. Hope to see you there! Ginny Kane

SEVENTH GRADE OUTREACH PROJECT. Mrs. Whetham's Seventh Grade Religion classes are sponsoring a year-end Spirit of Giving project to send money and goods to the <u>Carmelite Sisters of Our Lady</u> in the Philippines. This project is part of the Catholic Social Teaching Principle of Solidarity of the Human Family. HRP has already established a mission outreach relationship with the Sisters, and the seventh graders have each written to one of the sisters. Monetary donations will help their work, as one US dollar is worth 50.00 Philippine pesos. Cash is welcome, or checks made out to Carmelite Sisters of Our Lady (sent to the school office). Physical donations are also welcome and can be deposited in a specially marked box by the front office: t-shirts, shorts, pants, Sunday dresses, blouses, skirts, school/Sunday shoes, school suppliespencils, pens, paper, staplers/staples, folders, modeling clay, marker pens, colored pencils, rulers, school bags, tape, notebooks, scissors, pillow cases/sheets. Any questions, please contact Mrs.Whetham.

FIELD DAY IS NEXT FRIDAY, MAY 26 AT HIAWATHA PARK. Please make sure your child wears tennis shoes. Also, each class has a specific color(s) they have chosen to wear for this day. KA/KB white with blue denim shorts, 1A blue and green, 1B white, 2A blue, 2B yellow, 3A black & blue, 3B blue, 4A blue & green, 4B black and green, 5A pink, white, jeans, 5B black, 6A green & blue, 6B orange & red, 7A blue, 7B pink & green, 8A/8B green & white. Thank you to Mrs. Hanford and the parents helping to make this day possible.

THANK YOU TO AUCTION VOLUNTEERS. A huge thank you to all of the fabulous volunteers who helped set up for the auction. Your hard work Thursday night and Friday morning was greatly appreciated. We couldn't have done it without you! The set-up co-chairs.

<u>PARENTS IN NEED OF FUNDRAISING HOURS</u>. The Our Faith, Our Future Capital Campaign is in need of volunteers to stuff and label envelopes for a bulk mailing. If you are interested, please contact Ann Donovan at 937-7255, or email <u>adonovan@holyrosaryws.org</u>. Thank you. Also, we need volunteers to assist the Development Office with year-end mailings. Work can possibly be done from home. If you are interested in helping, please contact Ann Donovan at 937-7255, or <u>adonovan@holyrosaryws.org</u>. Thank you.

<u>FOURTH GRADE BAKE SALE.</u> The 4th grade classes are sponsoring a bake sale on Tuesday, May 23. They are raising money for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School, our sister school in Louisiana. The money is needed for new playground equipment which was all destroyed in the hurricane. The bake sale will be held during all lunches. Delicious, homemade, and affordable treats will be available for purchase. Students can enjoy a treat and know that they are helping our friends at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School.

<u>UNIFORM EXCHANGE.</u> Pants too short? Weather too hot? Come and shop the used uniform exchange/sale on May 31st in the convent library between 5:30 and 6:30. There are lots of pants and shorts to get your kids through till the end of school. We need the space so come and shop to your heart's content.

WESTFEST NEWS: Next WestFest meeting: Tuesday, May 23, 7:00pm in the Convent Dining Room. A huge thanks to Colleen Murphy and Christine Tweedy for stepping up to chair the Info/First Aid booth and to Suzanne Nevan-Casey for stepping up to chair the Raffle. Still looking for that Blow-Up Ride Scheduler...I know you are out there! We have a Haunted House chairperson but need some creative, hard working people to commit to lending a helping hand to plan, create, and implement another fabulous Haunted House. The kids love this event, let's not have it go away. Contact Jeanne Marie Butterworth or Mike Grueter if interested in being on this fun committee

LEE'S MARTIAL ARTS SUMMER CAMP is now starting registration. This popular summer camp starts July 24th-28th (9am-4pm).with an optional Friday night sleep over. The cost is \$175 for the week or \$225 sleep over included. If you would like more information contact Lisa Skvarla at 206-938-3375. Space is limited. Thank you!!!

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:

- Golf Tournament Registration Form (yellow)
- Track and Field Update
- Hot Lunch Calendar and Order Form (two separate sheets)
- Memo to Parents of the Graduating Class
- Step up to Stamp out Breast Cancer (half sheet)
- Arts West Flyer (orange)
- Holy Names Academy Cougar Hoop Camp Registration Form

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Talent Show Friday, May 19, K-4 -9:30AM; 5-8 1:30PM in the Gym
- First Holy Communion Sat., May 20,10:00AM in the Church; Reception to Follow
- Track & Field AAA Championship Meet Sat., May 20, 2:30PM Highline
- Track & Field Year End Picnic Celebration Monday, May 22, 6:00PM
- Endowment Board Meeting Monday, May 22, 5:30PM Staff Room
- Kennedy Band Concert w/ Elementary Honor Band Monday, May 22, 7:00PM Highline Performing Arts Center
- Fourth Grade Benefit Bake Sale Tuesday, May 23 during all lunches
- New Parent Orientation Tuesday, May 23, 6:30PM School Hall
- Grants Committee Wednesday, May 24 6:00PM Staff Room
- Technology Committee Meeting Thursday, May 25, 6:30PM Library

REGISTRATION IS DUE TOMORROW FRIDAY, MAY 19. THANK YOU. ALSO, PARENT SURVEYS!