



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

September 7, 2006

“For all that has been, THANKS! For all that will be, YES!”

-Dag Hammarskjold

It was wonderful to see new and familiar faces on Tuesday. We enjoyed a smooth opening! We are looking forward to *Being Connected with Our Families, our School, and our Church*. Each one of our families is an important link to our parish and school and we are excited about your participation in this new school year. We hope to see you at Open House next Thursday, September 14, beginning at 6:30PM in Lanigan. This evening provides parents with an excellent opportunity to re-connect with one another, meet your children's teachers, and learn about academic standards and goals. The new School Directory and Family Handbook will be distributed at Open House. Please remember, the evening is for parents only. Looking forward to seeing you there.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW FAMILIES. We are especially happy to welcome the following new families and students in grades 1-8: **Meredith Mara-Alcantara, Kaylyn (KB); Angela Colcombe, Parker (1B); Grace Crunican, Andrew (5A); Morrison and Suyu Edwards, Caitlin (6A); Joseph Mierzejewski and Deborah Griffith, Maxwell (7A); Mark and Rosemary Rising, Mary (5A) and Adam (7A); Steve Antush and Laura Salle, Daniel Salle (4B) and David Salle (7B); Tom and Barbara Schaeffer, Bart (5B); John and Laurie Schuster, Emily (2B), Daniel (7B) and Jacob (8B); Matthew and Donna Suhadolnik, Emily (6B); Karl and Tara Van Vleet, Megan (2A) and Kyle (4A). Welcome to the new Kindergarten families: Richard and Refawne Acarregui, Megan (KA); Haililslasie Asres and Terhas Girmatsion, Falen Asres (KB); Anne Brown and Scott Brown, Madelynne (KA) and Makenzy (6A); MC and Denise Chen, Kevin (KA); Tim and Ann Connell, Emma (KB); Brett and Susan Cooper, Nicholas (KB); Joseph and Sarah Dahleen, Chloe, Emma and Hannah Dahleen (KB); Bart and Sharon Eldredge, Tanner (KA); David and Katherine Gudgel, Faith (KB); Joseph and Brenna Heffernan, Maia (KA); Juan Carlos Melendez and Brenda Gomez, William Hernandez (KB); Brett and Theresa Johnson, Andrew (KA); Brian and Marti McGaughey, William (KA); Michael and Lisa Mosher, Kayla (KB); Meredith Copeland and James Nelson, Walker Nelson (KA); Eva and Frank Newman, Jennifer (KB); Sam Wylde and Marie Palermo, Alex (KB) and Sam (2A); Brian and Pam Pare, Joseph (KB); David and Meggan Peterson, Isabel (KB); Peter and Karen Schrantz, Samantha (KB); HeatherAnn Likout, Quinton Smith (KB); John and Ann Summers, John (KB); And finally welcome to our new Kindergarten students who are joining their siblings: Shawna Brett (KA), Zoe Cullers (KA), Elijah Dever (KA) William Douglas (KB), Catherine Evans (KB), Laurel Gary (KA), Timothy Guppy (KB), Bryn Halpin (KA), Natalie Halpin (KA), Hunter Hammington (KA), Gabriella (KA), Annabel Logan (KA), Lawrence Lorbiecki (KB), Sydney Page (KB), Robert Salle (KB).**

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY is Monday, Sept. 18. Students may enjoy free dress for their individual pictures. Please see picture packet that is enclosed in this FCE. Packet and payment are due on the picture day, Sept. 18. Holy Rosary is pleased to welcome Brock Mason as our photographer this year.

FCE REMINDERS. Please remember to return your Family Communication Envelope on a weekly basis, Monday morning at the latest. For administrative purposes, the FCE carrier for your family will always be the oldest child in your family who attends Holy Rosary School. Please do not change your family's carrier. If you have information that you would like placed in the FCE, it must be in the school office (shelf behind the door) **no later** than the end of the school day Wednesday. Any information received Thursday morning will be put in the following week's FCE. When sending information to all Holy Rosary School families, be sure to make **350 copies**. If you only have information going out to specific individuals, remember to have the **FCE carriers last name and class number** visibly placed on the information. (A list of all FCE carriers is in the school office.) The FCE is a communication vehicle for school, church, and community/local merchant information. It should not be used for personal mailings. If you have any questions, please contact Peggy Cunningham or Kate Price at 938-2690 in the school office. Thank You.

MAGAZINE DRIVE...make the CONNECTION! The chains are hung, the catalogs distributed, and tomorrow your kids will be PUMPED for Magazines as we kick off our BIGGEST year yet. Now all we need is YOU our awesome families to get excited! The Magazine Drive officially kicks off tomorrow with an all school assembly in the gym at 9:00 as we go for our huge milestone of **\$150,000** in sales! Last year we ended with an incredible \$148,000 so if we can gather just a few more orders here and there....add in those enthusiastic new kindergarten families...(are you with us kindergarten families?) and you never know what is possible. We're especially excited this year as we CONNECT with CHURCH, FAMILY, SCHOOL (and of course MAGAZINES) to set our new record! The kids will all receive colored links on Friday to help them remember our theme and we'll be adding a couple more through out the Drive to keep things interesting! Stop by the assembly and get in the spirit with us-just follow the neon green t-shirts to the gym (thanks to Brenda Heflin). Thank you families, in advance, for making this the best year yet! **More Magazine Items: Tuesday Turn In Days:** Our first Turn-In Day is next TUESDAY and the following 3 Tuesdays. Get a jump on things and get those orders in early. The top turn in grade will receive "CRAZY GLASSES", a different pair awarded each week and their teacher will receive a FUN SURPRISE as well! **General:** You should have received your Magazine Drive packet with all the supplies and information. *All information including customer support information can now be found on the school website including a link to the online sales* (Thank you Michael Go) Just click on "MAGAZINES" The unlisted magazines will be processed the same as last year as detailed in the packet (fill out separate order form, attach a coupon and flag for us). Additional catalogs and order forms are located in the office. A Magazine Drive box is located in the office where you can drop off any comments or stray orders. **Important Magazine Update:** We only have a few additional magazines this year to add that are not in the catalog:

Catholic Digest	12 issues \$20	code UO201
Oprah	12 issues \$24	code U6799
National Geographic Kids	10 issues \$20	code U8370
Readers Digest	12 issues \$25	code U1420

TEEN PEOPLE has just stopped being published. Do not order that magazine. **Volunteers:** We put the FUN in FUNdraising hours! Come join a group of happy volunteers to help compile magazine drive orders from 8:30 to 10:30 for the next 4 Tuesdays on the main floor of the convent. No technical skills necessary... a simple matching process of the orders to the cash.

Email magazines@holyroaryws.org or call Jody at 933-8920. We could use a couple parent volunteers to assist in the assembly and also lend a hand to Hallway decorating as between from 10-12 on Friday. Also, looking for some decorating set up help between 7am and 8 am on Tuesday mornings? **Students needed for after Mass Magazine Sales:** 4 students are needed after each mass the next few Sundays to distribute catalogs to parishioners interested in renewing their magazines. Also the Magazine Drive will be sponsoring coffee and donuts on Sunday September 17. Please email magazines@holyroaryws.org or call Jody at 933-8920 to schedule your student. (If you have a younger child who would like to volunteer it would be much appreciated if a parent could assist them) Also, is there anyone out there interested in coordinating this aspect of the Drive in the coming years?

MILK VOLUNTEER NEEDED! We need a parent volunteer to prepare the milk crates for each class on Mondays and Wednesdays from 11AM to 12:30PM. This is a great way to get your volunteer hours. Please call Pam, Ex. 222 if you are interested in this volunteer opportunity.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE. If you, or your child/children met the Summer Reading Challenge, please let Mrs. Harris know. The invitations to the "all you can eat pancake breakfast" will be distributed next week. If you cannot return the calendar, just send an email or a note to Mrs. Harris stating the name of the child who met the challenge. Thank you.

PARENT'S CLUB TREASURER POSITION. Parents Club treasurer position is seeking a replacement for the current school year and continuing for the next 2 school terms. This position handles the current Parents Club budget of \$17,300 and covers commitment hours. If interested, please contact President Jill Fulmore at jtfulmore@comcast.net or Sally Hasert at shasert@msn.com.

WEDNESDAY DISMISSAL IS AT 2:15PM. School dismisses at 2:15pm **every** Wednesday due to staff meetings and inservice. Please make sure your child is picked up every Wednesday by 2:30 pm. Children on the school premises after 2:30pm will be brought into B.A.S.E. and charged B.A.S. E. rates. Thank you.

SCHOOL MEDICATION. If your child needs to take medication at school, please pick up an "Authorization for Medication" form in the school office. This form needs to be filled out by your child's physician and returned to the school office with instructions for dispensing the medication. A new form needs to be filled out each school year. Medication cannot be given to a child without the proper form on file in the school office. There is medication that was left in the school office over the summer. Please pick up the 05-06 school year medication and bring new medication with the proper authorization.

FATHER JOHN WANTS YOU TO PLAY GOLF with him at the Holy Rosary Fall Classic Saturday September 16th. All the money raised will benefit the Father Mallahan Endowment for the School. There are still a few foursomes available or you can sign up as individuals as well. Go to the web-site <http://golf.holyrosaryws.org/> or call Pat Heidal at 206-935-0660 to sign up today!!!!!!

THE ANNUAL HOLY ROSARY ITALIAN DINNER IS SATURDAY SEPT. 16 in the school hall. Please see the red flyer to make your reservation. There will be two seatings, at 6:00PM (immediately following the 5:00 mass), and at 7:30PM. Complete the bottom portion of the flyer, attach your check, and return it to the school by Mon. 9/11. The 6:00 dinner fills up fast so get your reservation in early to get your table! For reservation questions call Tricia McLean @ 933-

0184. If you'd like to work in the kitchen, contact Steve Hulsman @ 935-1221 or to serve at the dinner call Christina Clarke @ (425) 641-4144. We look forward to seeing you there!

HOLY ROSARY SWEATSHIRTS ARE BACK! Parents, the Open House on September 14th will be a great time to buy a new sweatshirt for your child. Come early, between 6:00-7:00, and bring your completed order form with cash or a check made out to HRS. See you there!! Any questions, please call Suzanne Nevan-Casey at 206-525-9480.

THE WESTFEST PANCAKE BREAKFAST NEEDS YOUR HELP!! We still need volunteers to help serve at the WestFest Pancake Breakfast this coming Sunday after the 8:00 and 9:30 Masses. This is a fun way to earn **Fundraising Hours** and help kickoff the WestFest activities. If you are available to help, please contact Ann Martin (937-0179) or Sara Furman (932-0411) for details.

CAKES AND YUMMY TREATS NEEDED for the West Fest cake walk. It doesn't have to be fancy. You can make them or buy them. The kids love cakes with candy sprinkled on top. Your time counts as volunteer hours. Please bring your treats to the school hall kitchen Friday and Saturday morning. Any Questions? Call Kim Medica 938-6780 or Heather Campbell 936-6126.

CAKE WALK VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. A fun and easy way to get your fundraising hours. Your kids will always know where to find you. Please call Kim Medica 938-6780 or Heather Campbell 938-6126 to sign up for your shifts.

CYO CROSS COUNTRY 2006. There's still time to sign up for CYO Cross Country – boys and girls in grades K-8. There are sign-up forms in the school office, or you can get one from me. Forms and payments must be turned in for meet participation. If you are playing soccer during practice times, that's OK. You just need to make sure you can make the meets. There are three meets, all held at Woodland Park. **The two prelim meets are on Sunday September 17, and Sunday October 1, both at 1PM. The Championship meet is Sunday October 8 at 1PM.** I'll provide more information closer to the meets. The race distances are 1/2 mile for K-3, 1 mile for grades 4 and 5, 1 1/2 miles for grades 6 and 7 and 2 miles for 8th graders. The cost is \$10 per participant. We will practice 3 days per week at Lincoln Park. We meet at the far north entrance to the park (at the paved service road) just behind and to the north of the 76 gas station. Practices will start on Thursday, September 7th: Tuesdays and Thursdays at: 00pm, Saturdays (optional) at 8:30am. Practice is 45 minutes to an hour (10 -15 minutes stretching and a 30 minute run). *** Help!*** If you would like to get in a little exercise, please join us and run at practice. With a wide range of ages in our participants, we need parents to run with us so that the kids are within sight at all times. Without a few volunteers, the younger kids can not participate in the practices.*** Please call me (Kevin Thiel) at 932-6624 if you have any questions.

GUITAR LESSONS. Mr. Mohrbacher is putting together new groups for guitar lessons. If you are interested please contact him at tmohrbacher@holynosaryws.org.

CUB SCOUTS PACK 793 invites all Holy Rosary School boys in 1st through 5th grade to attend our Pack Kickoff Meeting at Lincoln Park Beach Shelter #3 at 6:30pm on Friday, September 15th. This is the best time of year to join the Cub Scouts and we'll have games, snacks, hot cocoa, and a hot fire going, so come see what the Cub Scouts program is all about and join in the fun! Please

contact Mike Grueter at (206) 938-3563 for more information or visit the Pack Web site at www.pack793ws.org.

CONGRATULATIONS TO GABRIELLE CARUFEL, 3B. Gabrielle was chosen this summer to be the Hi-Yu Junior Court Queen for 2006-2007. Gabrielle will represent West Seattle at many community parades and events throughout the year.

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE: (white unless otherwise stated)

- September Calendar (green)
- Italian Dinner Flyer (red)
- Individual Picture Order Form
- The Clarke's Need Your Help Flyer
- WestFest Informational Flyer (goldenrod)
- WestFest Wristband Order Form
- Monthly Treasurer's Report
- Escrip Registration Form
- Alki Community Center Brochure
- YAdventure Guides
- Holy Rosary Magnet Calendar (compliments of Cary Calkins)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- School Commission Meeting – 6:00PM – Staff Room
- Magazine Sale Assembly – Friday, Sept. 8, 9AM – Lanigan Gym
- Noon Dismissal – Friday, Sept. 8th
- Blessing of Student Backpacks – Saturday 5:00 Mass
- Blessing of Student Backpacks – Sunday Masses
- Band Class Begins – Monday, Sept. 11
- First Magazine Turn-in Day – Tuesday, Sept. 12
- Band Instrument Rental – Tuesday, Sept. 12, 6PM – Staff Room
- **Open House – Thursday, Sept. 14, 6:30PM – Begins in Lanigan**
- Archdiocesan Religion Teacher Inservice – Friday, Sept. 15 – NO SCHOOL
- Holy Rosary Annual Golf Classic Scramble – Saturday, Sept. 16
- Italian Dinner – 6:00PM and 7:30PM – Saturday, Sept. 16 – School Hall
- Fr. John's Installation at the 11:15AM Mass – Sunday, Sept. 17
- Individual School Picture Day – Monday, Sept. 18 – See Enclosed Flyer