

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

January 10, 2008

"Happiness comes of the capacity to feel deeply, to enjoy simply, to think freely, to risk life, to be needed." -Storm Jameson, British Writer

Happy New Year to everyone! Thank you all for your generous Christmas spirit. Since I seldom bake or cook, I have not enjoyed so many delicious goodies in a long while, creating a good incentive for more walks around Greenlake! Your kindness and good cheer were most appreciated.

Plans are already underway for the celebration of Catholic Schools Week, which is January 27-February 1. A detailed schedule of events and activities will be posted next week. This year's theme, selected by the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA), is "Catholic Schools Light the Way". School families are asked to create a FAMILY POSTER for Catholic Schools Week. Write your family name and decorate with photos, words, clip art, and drawings. Tell how Holy Rosary School Lights the Way for your Family. Posters are due on Thursday, January 24 and will be displayed in the school hall and hallways during the week. We hope that each family is represented. Some dates you may wish to note in advance: Open House and Opening of Book Fair, Sunday, Jan. 27, 10:30-3:00; Primrose Planting, Tuesday, Jan. 28; Grandparents' Luncheon, Wednesday, Jan. 28; Spelling Bee, Thursday, Jan. 29; and 8th Grade vs. Staff Volleyball Game, Friday, Feb. 1. Remember to check next week's newsletter for a complete schedule and for how you can get involved.

Grades 5-8 students who had achieved straight A's the first trimester were listed in the last newsletter. Unfortunately, **Mitchell Sasonoff**, seventh grade, was inadvertently omitted from the list. Congratulations, Mitchell – I apologize for the error.

If you have a child who will be five years old by August 31, please stop by the school office for a Kindergarten application. If you know of a family in the area who has a child ready for Kindergarten, be sure to tell them that Holy Rosary has space available. Kindergarten family interviews will begin the first week in February.

For your planning: No school on Monday, January 21 – we honor Dr. Martin Luther King. Midwinter break dates are February 18, Monday, and February 19, Tuesday. The magazine reward day will be Monday, April 28.

Family Communication Envelopes (FCE's) go home with your child next Thursday, January 10.

<u>AUCTION COMMITTEE MEETING, TUESDAY JANUARY 8TH.</u> Our next Auction Committee Meeting is Tuesday, January 8th - 6:30pm in the School Staff Room. The countdown is officially on and we have lots to get done - please plan to attend. Thanks! Ann and Kristen

HEY Y'ALL – THE HEART AUCTION ON APRIL 19TH WILL BE HERE BEFORE YOU KNOW IT! Look for the eye-catching Auction Insert in today's FCE Envelope asking you to "SAVE THE DATE!" Mark your calendar and start making your arrangements to attend the 29th Annual HEART Auction on this year!

<u>TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR</u>. You can now access the application for tuition assistance for the 2008-2009 school year on-line at http://www.fulcrumfoundation.org/Tuition. You can apply on line or download the application and fill it in by hand. Whether you apply on-line or in paper form the application needs to be completed and forwarded to Jennifer MacDonald in the school office by February 21, 2008 with your Federal Tax Return. You can e-mail Jennifer at jmacdonald@holyrosaryseattle.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

- Σ Feast of the Epiphany, Sunday, January 6
- Σ Auction Committee Meeting, Tuesday, January 8, 6:30pm Staff Room
- Σ School Budget Committee Meeting, Wednesday, January 9, 5:30pm Staff Room
- Σ School Commission Meeting Thursday, January 10, 6:00pm Staff Room
- Σ Technology Committee Meeting Monday, January 14, 3:15pm Library
- Σ Parents' Club Meeting Tuesday, January 15, 6:30pm School Hall
- Σ Martin Luther King Day, Monday, January 21, NO SCHOOL