

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

February 14, 2008

"A child with school problems has a need and a right to be understood. Misinterpretation of such a student can cause far more damage than the learning difficulty itself. A proper assessment entails objectivity, the seeking of evidence from multiple sources, and recognition of the multiplicity of factors that together obstruct the child's success in school." -Dr. Mel Levine, Founder, All Kinds of Minds Institute

Our staff's study and implementation of the *All Kinds of Minds/Schools Attuned Program* continues. At our meeting on Wednesday we viewed another one of Dr. Levine's Videos. The video focused on the complex process of writing. We use nearly all our brain functions when we write: attention, graphomoter, language, memory, sequencing, and higher order cognition. When helping your children complete written assignments have them write **COPS** on the top of their draft, which will help them when they edit their papers. COPS stands for Capitalization, Overall Appearance, Punctuation, and Spelling, four areas that need to be checked before writing the copy that will be turned in to the teacher and graded.

Tomorrow is Brown Bag Friday at Holy Rosary. You are invited to send in one extra brown bag lunch for the men living at St. Martin de Porres. The item to go along with the lunch (not in the lunch) is a toothbrush. See message below. A Lenten soup supper and a presentation on Reconciliation is tomorrow beginning at 6:00pm in the school hall. Classes signed up to attend the 8:00am morning Mass next week are grades 4A and 5A on Thursday, February 21. Remember no desserts on Wednesdays – and give some change for change. Thank you for supporting our Lenten activities.

We hope you enjoy **Winter Break, Feb. 18 & 19**. School resumes on Wednesday, Feb. 20. For those of you able to get away, we wish you safe travels.

FYI: The parking police are busy on 42nd these days! Several of us have recently discovered small envelopes on our windshields. You may only park your car for two hours in the correct angle parking spaces, and never, never park in the spaces reserved for disabled drivers unless you have the proper permit.

BROWN BAG FRIDAYS FOR ST. MARTIN de PORRES BEGIN TOMORROW. You are invited to also send in a toothbrush along with the lunch. If you are interested in delivering the lunches one Friday during Lent, please contact Peggy Cunningham in the school office. Thank you to Mary Gubelman for volunteering to deliver lunches tomorrow, Feb. 15! The children who will be taking them to the shelter will be able to tour and learn more about St. Martin de Porres. The items to be included in the lunches for the remaining Fridays of Lent include: February 22 – toothpaste; February 29 – bar of soap; March 7 – a pair of men's socks; Thursday, March 13 - deodorant

March 14 NO SCHOOL; March 21 (Good Friday) – aftershave, shaving cream. Thank you for your almsgiving during this Lenten season.

ATTENTION!!! HEART AUCTION CLEAN-UP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!! What a great way to collect volunteer hours and catch a sliver of the LIVE Auction. Looking for clean-up assistance the night of April 19th. All parents possess the requisite skills required, so please contact Michael Ridgway (226-3435 or ridgwaym@gmail.com) for an opportunity to collect fundraising volunteer hours. Thank you! Michael Ridgway

THE HEART AUCTION NEEDS NEW LEADERS! The Hinthorns and the Martins are looking for new leaders to head up the HEART Auction in 2009. This is a great opportunity to get to know and work with many of the fantastic families that make up our Holy Rosary community. If interested, now is a great time to begin shadowing us to see what all goes into making the HEART Auction the schools biggest fund raiser. Please contact us to find out more! Ann Martin (937-0179) or Kristen Hinthorn (433-2748).

AN EIGHTH GRADE PIZZA LUNCH is scheduled for Thursday, March 13. Complete and return the order form no later than Friday, March 7, if you have not already.

TRAVEL TO TUSCANY. Break out of the Seattle drear and travel to Tuscany during the midwinter break! See Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise at the Seattle Art Museum. It took Ghiberti 27 years to complete the stunning biblical scenes that adorn the doors of the Baptistry in Florence. Now, three of the recently restored panels are on display for the first and last time in North America. Don't miss this once-in-forever opportunity to see them in Seattle before they return to Italy. On display until April 26th. Enjoy! Maureen Curran, Art Teacher

PLEASE HELP HR EARN MONEY WHILE SUPPORTING LOCAL GROCERY STORES! escrip is a "passive" fundraising vehicle available to schools and youth organizations. The program is very simple to use and requires participants to register existing grocery loyalty (Safeway), debit and credit cards. We currently encourage families to register their Safeway cards. You can also register the Safeway card numbers of other family members, friends and neighbors. Safeway then makes contributions to HR based on the purchases you make. In 2006 our scrip program raised \$8000.00 and is on track to raise over \$10,000 for 2007...just by purchasing your groceries at Safeway. Simply download a registration form and return it to the office or in your FCE. Any questions concerning eScrip please call Sandra Rottler @ 935-6620 or email: srottler@comcast.net

ATTENTION WEST SEATTLE THRIFTWAY and METROPOLITAN MARKET SHOPPERS! This is your chance to support Holy Rosary School by shopping at your favorite grocery store. Holy Rosary School is now registered to participate in a 1% Cash Back Community Fundraising Program offered by these two local stores. Please send turn your receipts into the office, or in the basket in the Narthex or the Church. The pre-tax receipt amounts will be tallied and the stores will send a check directly to Holy Rosary School. Cash register receipts must be for purchases made after our enrollment date of 10-15-07. Metropolitan Market will not accept receipts over **6 months** old. No receipts over **45 days** old will be accepted by West Seattle Thrift way. I pick receipts up monthly on the 10th of each month. Keep shopping and support Holy Rosary Schoool while supporting our local merchants! Direct any questions to Melody Sarkies@399-3695

Safeway or PCC receipts are not accepted at this time!

TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR. You can now access the application for tuition assistance for the 2008-2009 school year on-line 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.

FREE TICKETS TO UW ATHLETICS. The University of Washington has given Holy Rosary free tickets to several of their athletic events, baseball, softball and women's basketball. If you would like to attend any of these events stop by the school office to pick up your free tickets. **GO HUSKIES!**

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

- Friday, February 15, 8:30am Prayer Service by 2B School Hall
- Friday, February 15, 6:30pm Lent Soup Supper & Presentation School Hall
- Monday, February 18, NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day, WINTER BREAK
- Tuesday, February 19, **NO SCHOOL**, WINTER BREAK
- Wednesday, February 20, 7:00pm First Eucharist 2nd Gr. Parent Meeting School Hall
- Thursday, February 21, 8:00am Grades 4A & 5A Morning Mass
- Friday, February 22, 8:30 am Prayer Service by 1B School Hall
- Friday, February 22, 6:30pm Lenten Soup Supper & Presentation School Hall
- Tuesday, February 26, 7:00pm Marketing Committee Meeting Staff Room
- Wednesday, February 27, 5:30pm School Budget Committee Meeting Staff Room
- Friday, February 29, 8:30 am Prayer Service by 4A School Hall

| NOTICE OF INTENT TO WITHDRAW FOR THE 2008-2009 SCHOOL YEAR | | |
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| Student Information | | |
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| Date | | |
| * I would like to schedule a meeting with the principal.* | | |