

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

March 20, 2008

"Easter spells out beauty, the rare beauty of new life. Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf and flower in spring-time."

-Martin Luther

You are invited to join us for the Living Stations of the Cross tomorrow at 11:00am. Thank you to members of the 8th grade class for presenting the stations. Good Friday reminders: 1.) it is a perfect uniform day; 2.) there will be a silent dismissal from church back to the classrooms and silent dismissal from school; and 3.) it is a noon dismissal day. We appreciate your cooperation – thank you! Tomorrow is also our final Brown Bag Friday. The item to go along with the lunches is shaving cream or lotion. The men at St. Martin de Porres have greatly appreciated the generosity of our school community. Thanks for your support of this service activity.

Second trimester report cards go home tomorrow. Please review them carefully with your child(ren), sign the report card envelope, put it in a safe place, and return it to school on Monday, March 31. We are beginning something a bit different beginning second trimester. Students in grades 5-8 who achieve all A's and A-'s will be listed as having made First Honors, and those who achieve all A's and A-'s with two B+'s (grades 7 & 8) and one B (grades 5 & 6) will be listed as having made Second Honors. The names of those students will be printed in the April 2 newsletter. Our teachers and staff are proud of all of our students for their continued progress. With spring sports and nice weather, keeping school work a priority can be challenging. Please encourage your children to keep focused and study hard this final trimester, so they will have a positive and strong finish to the year. Thank you.

The date for the Talent Show is Friday, May 9. Information about the Talent Show is printed below. The Leadership Elective decided on a country-western theme, so parents save your outfits from the Auction for your children! We look forward to another fabulous event showcasing the amazing talent of our students. Yahoo!

We wish you all a joy-filled Easter and we thank you for the joy that your children give to us every day (well, most every day!). For those of you traveling, be safe. School resumes on March 31 and students may begin wearing their uniform shorts for spring.

BROWN BAG FRIDAYS FOR ST. MARTIN de PORRES. You are invited to also send in a pair of men's socks along with the lunch tomorrow. If you are interested in delivering the lunches one Friday during Lent, please contact Peggy Cunningham in the school office. Thank you to Carol Ann Joyce and Roseann Ryerson for volunteering to deliver lunches tomorrow, March 21! The children who will be taking them to the shelter will be able to tour and learn more

about St. Martin de Porres. The item tomorrow is aftershave or shaving cream. Thank you for your almsgiving during this Lenten season.

THE PARENT COMMITMENT HOUR year for 2007 — 2008 ended on February 29, 2008. All hours not completed by this date have been invoiced at a rate \$50.00 per hour. Invoices are included in this FCE. If you did not receive an invoice, your hours are complete. If you did receive an invoice, payment for the uncompleted hours must be received in the office by March 31, 2008 in order to receive registration papers for the 2008-2009 school year. Please see the Family Handbook for more information

*RAFFLE*RAFFLE*RAFFLE*RAFFLE*RAFFLE* Please check out your FCE for pre-sale raffle fliers. You could win a YEAR'S FREE TUITION FOR ONE CHILD in the Tuition Raffle or WHATEVER YOU WANT FROM THE LIVE AUCTION to be chosen before it starts (class projects and wine cellar excluded) in the Best of the Live Raffle. Don't miss out either of these great opportunities.

<u>CAMPION FELLIN IS THE HOLY ROSARY SPELLING BEE CHAMPION!</u> He will be competing on Sunday, March 30⁻ at the 2008 Regional Spelling Bee for King and Snohomish Counties. The top prize is a trip to Washington DC in May to participate in the National Spelling Bee. The Regional Spelling Bee will be held at Town Hall at 8th and Seneca, and is open to the public. Watch for a full-page ad in the Seattle PI on Friday, March 28th.

<u>TALENT SHOW GUIDELINES</u>: Students may participate in <u>only one act</u> other than their class acts. Any music lyrics appropriate for a K-8 audience and follow the morals of the Catholic Church. Please do not alter the lyrics. All permission slips must be in by: <u>April 15th</u>. When submitting a permission slip: Please include the lyrics for the music (unless it is an instrumental) Make sure the form is complete Please turn in the forms <u>in person</u> – do <u>not</u> send in the FCE. Starting March 31st, a talent show committee member and a leadership student will collect forms in the entryway of the school every morning at 8:00am. <u>If performing as a group:</u> ALL permission forms for EVERY member is turned in at one time. No additions to the form are allowed after the form is submitted. THANKS FOR YOUR HELP IN CREATING A GREAT SHOW!

<u>HEALTH NEWS – HEAD LICE UPDATE</u> There have been two cases reported within the student body at Holy Rosary School. Both children have been treated per Holy Rosary Policy. Please remind your children not to share personal items; such as hats, combs, scarves and pillows. Please continue the weekly scalp checks. Increasing the scalp screenings to nightly, or every other night, may be helpful in the identification of any further cases. Please refer to the Holy Rosary Parent Handbook for the Head Lice Policy. Contact Peggy in the office, or me via my email (mulkey.family@comcast.net) with questions regarding school policy. Please contact your physician with questions regarding specific treatments. Patricia McBrien RN

TRACK AND FIELD NEWS Parents, this is a reminder that we start practice on Tuesday the 1st of April and all practices will be on Tues and Thurs until the last meet week in May. Bring a drink and a sweatshirt. It can get cold in the late afternoon at Hiawatha! I want to also announce that I will have a Brooks rep at the first practice at 4:15 PM. She will be there until 5:00 fitting kids for shoes and you may purchase a pair at a great cost if you are interested. If you want to check on line to see a description of the shoe you can go to www.Brooksrunning.com. Once sizes are taken, the orders take 2-3 days and I will have them at the next Tuesday practice. Here are the names of the shoes and their prices: Adrenaline Sizes 5-12 price-34.99+tax, Burn Sizes 7-10

24.99 +tax, T4 Racer youth 1 1/2-3 19.99+tax email me with questions: Shelley Neal-Head Coach mishel90@hotmail.com

HOLY ROSARY 1% BACK RECEIPT PROGRAM is growing in dollar amounts each month. This last month was our largest by far with a total to the school of \$123.47 from the Metropolitan Market and \$46.20 from Thriftway. Our total to date collected from this program is \$358.60. This is fantastic considering it is all free money. I only had about 6 receipts that were out dated and couldn't be used this last month, that is great considering I was throwing away about 120 receipts a month before that were out dated. I am continuing this through the summer months with the drop off being the basket in the narthex of the church. Keep up the fantastic job parents you are doing awesome. Any questions feel free to call Melody Sarkies. (Thank you Melody Sarkies!)

<u>SUMMER CHILDCARE.</u> Summer vacation will be here before you know it, and Louie, the B.A.S.E. art teacher has the answer to your childcare needs. Louie will be hosting the second annual summer activities program at B.A.S.E. as a service to the entire student body of Holy Rosary School. The basic structure of the program will consist of a full day of fun activities. In addition, they will be going on an outing every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday to some of Seattle's more popular attractions, such as the Aquarium, Children's Museum, or Alki Beach to name a few. (Further costs may apply.) On Tuesdays and Thursdays we will have arts and crafts, movie, or games at the school. If this sounds like something that might be of interest to your family feel free to stop by the B.A.S.E. art room in Lanigan Monday through Friday from 3 to 6pm or call (206) 937-1488 ext. 228 for more information. However, due to the lack of staffing space is limited, so enrollment will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.

BOWL TO BENEFIT THE WEST SEATTLE HELPLINE. March 22, from 3-5pm our friends at the West Seattle Bowl have generously offered to have a portion of all proceeds from these two hours go to benefit our own local service provider, West Seattle Helpline. So bring your kids, your grandkids, friends and neighbors to have some fun and help a worthy organization continue to provide a helping hand to those in need here in West Seattle. See you there! Any questions, please call Suzanne Nevan at 206-525-9480.

NEXT TO NATURE PET STORE is having an ugly dog contest on Sunday, April 27th. They are looking for children ages 6-12 years old to judge the contest. If you are interested please contact Louie at (206) 388-2780.

INCLUDED IN THIS FCE:

- April Calendar (pink)
- 2008-2009 Holy Rosary School Calendar
- NEW at the Heart Auction Flyer (bright yellow)
- Best of Live Heart Auction Pre-Sale Incentive Form (cream)
- Heart Auction Tuition Raffle Form (peach)
- Talent Show Permission Slips (pink or yellow)
- A Child Becomes Summer Camp Flyer (yellow)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

• Thursday, March 20 – Holy Thursday, Perfect Uniforms – Faith Family Last Supper Remembrance at 2:15pm – Parents Welcome

- Friday, March 21 Good Friday, Perfect Uniforms, Living Stations of the Cross at 11:00am Noon Dismissal and SILENT DISMISSAL
- Friday, March 21 Second Trimester Report Cards go Home
- Monday, March 24 Friday, March 28 Easter Vacation
- Monday, March 24 Health Committee Meeting 6:00pm Staff Room
- Tuesday, April 1 7A & 7B Field Trip to Benaroya Hall for a National Geographic Lecture
- Wednesday, April 2 Friday, April 4, 5th Grade Camp Seymour
- Saturday, April 5 Father/Daughter Hawaiian Glow Bowl 5-8pm, West Seattle Bowl
- Monday, April 7 8A & 8B Field Trip to Olympia
- Wednesday, April 9 Noon Dismissal/Teacher Inservice (Required Safety Training)
- Tuesday, April 8 Thursday, April 10 6B Sailing Trip
- Wednesday, April 16 Friday, April 18- 6A Sailing Trip