



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

May 21, 2009

“There is no greater joy nor greater reward than to make a fundamental difference in someone’s life.” -Sr. Mary Rose McGeady

As I near the completion of my time here at Holy Rosary I am keenly aware of how much meaning and joy this community has brought into my life. You have definitely made a fundamental difference. And I am profoundly grateful. You all truly have been the “wings beneath my wind” and it is because of you that Holy Rosary will remain the excellent school that it has become. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Remember that school dismisses at noon tomorrow due to the Memorial Day weekend. Students will enjoy field day at Hiawatha Playfield in the morning. Thank you to Mrs. Sue Southerland for all of her work organizing and planning this day. Students need to come in tennis shoes, gym clothes with their class colors. See below for your child’s class color.

The Buy One Get One Free (BOGO) Book Fair is next week – a great time to stock up on some books for summer reading. Thank you Mrs. Harris for organizing. Also next week, the junior high drama elective class, under the direction of Ms. Darcy McLaughlin, presents the play *Through the Looking Glass*. Times for the play are as followed: Wednesday, May 27 – 10:15am and 7:00pm; and Thursday, May 28 – 1:15pm and 7:00pm. The sixth grade Wax Museum will be on Thursday, May 28, from 9:00-12:00 in the hallways upstairs and downstairs. The Wax Museum is a culminating project for Ms. Semandiris’ social studies classes. I highly recommend you attending both the play and wax museum. The students are impressive!

Believe it or not there is still a lot of important learning going on. Thank you for encouraging your children to attend to their school work until the very last day. Junior high students will be taking final exams the next two weeks. If you have a junior high student, please emphasize how important it is to study without distraction for these tests.

PARENTS’ CLUB TONIGHT. Please join us tonight at 6:30pm in the school hall for the last Parents Club meeting of the year. Thank you to all of our school families for a fantastic year! Come celebrate Kris Brown and her many years at Holy Rosary. Child care will be available.

SAVE THE DATE. Save the Date – June 11, 2009 at 7pm – An evening celebration of Kris Brown in the School Hall for families, alumni and parishioners. Watch for more details coming soon including an invitation and RSVP information.

IMPORTANT FIELD DAY NEWS. Field day is set for tomorrow, Friday, May 22. Class colors for field day are as follows: Kindergarten-white, 1st grade-white, 2nd grade-red, 3rd grade-black, 4th grade-green, 5th grade-blue & white, 6th grade-orange & yellow, 7th grade-blue, and 8th grade-blue & white...SHOW YOUR CLASS SPIRIT!! I am in need of parent volunteers to help deliver and

return equipment and to help with set up. Those who can help with delivery to Hiawatha need to meet at Holy Rosary gym at 7:30am on field day. Those who can help with returning equipment need to meet at Hiawatha at 11:00am. Along with snacks in recyclable packaging we are asking all students to bring a water bottle from home to use during field day.

AUCTION COMMITTEE OPENINGS. Decorations Chair-Do you love to decorate? Consider becoming the next Decorations Chair. The position involves directing a team of creative volunteers to transform the gym and the school hall for the auction (theme will be decided on in the fall). It's a fantastic creative outlet plus you get all of your hours covered. Please email Sarah Mackay with any questions oceanskimmer@comcast.net. Reservations Co-Chairs-We are looking for two chairs to oversee the reservations for the auction. The position involves entering reservations into the Auction software, turning-in all reservation payments and working with the Auction Chairs to determine where guests will sit. This year's Reservation Chair will be on hand to answer questions.

2009-2010 REGISTRATION PAPERS. Papers were enclosed in the May 7 FCE. The student demographic form which is listed as part of the registration papers went out in the April 23 FCE envelope and the Annual Fund form is enclosed in today's FCE envelope. Please return all forms by Thursday, May 28th. If you have not received registration papers there is an obligation that you have agreed to that has not been met. Please call the school office for more information.

ANNUAL FUND FORM. If you completed your registration and already sent in a donation to the Annual Fund, please complete the Annual Fund form with the donation noted so that we will have it for our records. Thank you!

ATTENTION 8TH GRADE PARENTS! There will be a special prayer time dedicated to your 8th grade graduates on Monday, June 1st from 8:30 – 9:00 a.m. in the Reservation Chapel in the back of the church. We invite all parents to join us as we pray for each of our special graduates. If you are unable to come but have a prayer request for your graduate please email me (kane6@comcast.net) or phone me at 938-0673. Hope to see you there! Ginny Kane and Jillian Kane

NEW PARENT ORIENTATION. Thank you 5th grade room parents and families for hosting our New Parent Orientation, everything was just great!

HOLY ROSARY'S PICTORIAL DIRECTORY IS UNDERWAY. Sign-ups are available after all weekend services at the back of the church. Sign-ups are also available online. Simply go to the church website, holyroaryseattle.org, and click on the "Pictorial Directory Online Scheduling" button. Sign-up today to ensure that you are part of this year's Directory. Every family that sits for a Pictorial photo will receive a FREE 8x10 and a FREE Directory book. There is no obligation to buy. Photograph dates currently available for sign-up are: June 24 - July 2nd; July 7th - July 11th Additional photograph dates in July and August will be available if there is enough demand in the earlier scheduled dates. For those families with members serving in the armed forces who wish to be included within the Directory, have them send a military photograph to the church rectory c/o Chad Bundy. We are still in need of volunteers to serve as greeters/hosts during our photography sessions. If you are interested contact Chad Bundy at 206-200-7131 or call the church office.

GREEN TIP. Bike to school month is a rousing success! Bike racks are overflowing and almost 75 new helmets were sold last week. The same \$10 deal on helmets can still be obtained from Cascade Bicycle Club directly, at their offices or at some of their outdoor events; please check the

website if you are interested or ask Tauna Evans. Keep up the good work! Food waste collection is also a great success at Holy Rosary! We are working hard to reduce our garbage. Keep up the good work with reusable lunch containers, utensils, napkins, etc! The students are doing a wonderful job. The Green Team will take a break over the summer but will be planning next year's projects. We welcome feedback on efforts thus far or ideas for next year. You can help! There are lots of tasks of all sizes and shapes; meeting attendance is not required and general parent hours are given. Please contact Nancy Stillger if you'd like to be involved!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR. Mark your calendars and prepare for what some students feel is the best activity of the entire school year. If you guessed the Scholastic "Buy 1 – Get 1 Free" Book Fair, you are correct. Stop by the Library between May 26 and June 1 to replenish your family's supply of summer reading materials.

ORDER YOUR COFFEE TODAY. We have many folks already enjoying this great coffee. Please use the order form available on our school website, or directly through Pioneer Coffee at <http://www.pioneercoffeeco.com/Home.htm> (click on school fundraiser) to get started today. Also, this summer every time you purchase a pound of coffee at Pioneer's Alki Café, please let them know you are with Holy Rosary and they register the sale in a book we created. HRS will continue to receive the \$3.00 back for every pound!!!! Yes, you may tell all your friends and neighbors!!! Contact Michele Wallace with any questions.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION. Thank you for contributing to Box Tops for education. We earned \$600 this school year. Check out the box tops for education web site www.btfec.com. You can shop on line and earn cash for Holy Rosary School. There are also contests on line to earn extra cash. Keep saving those box tops over the summer, and ask all your relatives to do the same! Thank you, Dallas White Holy Rosary's Box Tops Coordinator

B.A.S.E. SUMMER CAMP. Are you looking for a summer camp where your child(ren) will feel comfortable and safe, yet have fun? Then BASE is the place to be. BASE is expanding its summer program and is looking for children to fill it. BASE has openings for full-time and part-time children. Additionally, we will accept a certain number of daily drop-ins if you become in need of child care. We have created weekly themes focused on aspects of the Puget Sound, such as Beach Life, Rock'n Science, and Wild, Wild Animals. Field trips, art projects and activities will be part of our summer curriculum. BASE Summer Camp will operate from June 15-August 31st. Daily operation will be from 6:45am to 6:00pm. Cost of the camp will be \$175.00 weekly for full-time and \$35.00 a day for part-time. A \$100 deposit is required to save your child's space. The deposit will be used for a City Pass, a t-shirt and a towel for your child. If you want your child to attend BASE Summer Camp please contact Donna Jerge-Nass, at 937-1488 ext 228.

CHINESE MANDARIN-AFTERSCHOOL CLASS FOR NEXT YEAR. *"In just five years, the numbers of non-Chinese people learning Mandarin Chinese has soared to 30 million."* – BBC News, 1/07 Come explore a new language next year! Programs will start in the Fall 2009 and include language learning, cultural awareness, games, music and storytelling. Open for students in Kindergarten through 5th Grade. Please see enclosed handout for more information and to offer your day of the week preferences. Xie Xie!

PARISH CENTENNIAL. Joyce Ways is chairing an event for the Parish Centennial on Sunday, June 7. It is a luncheon after the 11:15 mass to welcome back previous and current liturgical staff from parish and school. She is looking for volunteers to help. Set-up 8am-10am, Luncheon

(servers needed) 1030 am -1:30 pm and Clean-up 1:30 pm – 3pm. Joyce will need 6-8 people for each time slot. She can be reached at jojoways@comcast.net.

ANNOUNCING: THE HOLY ROSARY CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY BLOCK PARTY. **When:** Sunday, August 9th from 1-4 pm. **Where:** on the street between the church and the school. We will close 42nd and picnic in the street, on the lawns and under the shade of the trees. **What:** A block party picnic with hot dogs, birthday cake, ice cream, lemonade, iced tea. Make it a real picnic and bring your own picnic favorites to share with family and friends. Bring a blanket to spread on the lawn at the rectory or the church, or park yourself at one of the tables we will set up on the street. **Who:** Everyone in the parish. We will have activities for kids and the playground will be open. The history minded will love the vintage cars with drivers in period costumes evoking the earliest days of Holy Rosary Parish. The boards showing the history of the church will be on display. We will have music and entertainment and a grand good time. **How:** The Centennial Planning Committee is sponsoring this event as part of our year long celebration of Holy Rosary's first hundred years in West Seattle. Volunteers are needed to help with set up, food preparation, clean up and recycling. The GOOD NEWS is that hours spent volunteering at the block party count as non-fund raising service hours. Get your service in early while having fun at the party. **Why:** Why not? We own the block!. Let's come home to 42nd street to celebrate One Hundred Years of Holy Rosary during Seattle's glorious summer weather. Everyone: save the date and contact Kathy Schwartz for information or to help volunteer. towheeacres@hotmail.com (206) 935 8629.

KENNEDY ELEMENTARY SUMMER BAND CAMP INFO. IS OUT. All band members have received information about this exciting week of musical enrichment! The date is set for July 20 - 24th/ 12:15 – 2pm in the Kennedy High School Band Room. Deadline to register is June 12th. The time is NOW.

ATTENTION VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS. Boys and girls ages 12 and up! Summer volleyball clinics available June-August at Alki Playfield. If interested, please call Joe Baleto at 206-419-6316, or email at 1baleto@comcast.net.

GRAND SLAM CAMP. Camp will be held at Lower Woodland Park June 22nd – 25th providing baseball and softball camps for kids ages 7-14. The camp offers solid instruction, lots of fun and positive role models. The camp, in its 17th year, is lead by current O'Dea High school head coach Mike Doyle, as well as former O'Dea head coaches Bob Blair and Mark Zender plus a full staff of current college players. To learn more about this unique experience simply visit www.grandslamcamp.com

SEATTLE UNIVERSITY. SU is offering a Girl's Basketball Skills Camp from June 29-July 2 for girls entering Grades 3-8 at the Seattle University Connolly Center. For more information contact Margot Richards at (206) 296-5757 or by email at rishardm@seattleu.edu. There are a limited number of registration brochures in the Holy Rosary school office.

LEAPING FOR LITERACY! The Hearing, Speech and Deafness Center is sponsoring a non-competitive, 5K run/walk, with a 1K "tadpole walk" for our littlest participants. 100% of the proceeds from the race participants will be donated to the Connor R. McRae Scholarship Fund, support critical early learning services for children who are deaf, deaf-blind and hard of hearing. For more information, contact Keogh Singkeo (206)938-7926 or ksingk4@yahoo.com. Saturday, June 20th, 2009 Bellevue College (formerly Bellevue Community College) 8:15 a.m. Check-in &

Registration 9:30 a.m. Tadpole 1K Fun Run/Walk 10:00 a.m. 5K Fun Run/Walk (with awards to follow) To register online, please visit: www.active.com

SUMMER DANCE CAMP AT HOLY ROSARY. Join us for Jazz, Hip Hop, Friendship, and Fun! All kids age 4-14 join us in the Holy Rosary Gym Monday, Wednesday, and Fridays from 9AM-12NOON all summer long! Each session is one week, with a student performance each Friday at 11:30. Snack and juice will be provided. For more information and to register email Dawn Holmes and Angel Sorensen at sundance.camps@hotmail.com

PLEASE ATTEND THE LEE'S MARTIAL ARTS SUMMER CAMPS THIS YEAR. Yes, there is still space available!! The 3 Summer Camp dates are as follows: July 13th- July 17th; July 27th - July 31st; August 10th- August 14th. The camp is for 5-12 year olds. The cost is \$200. (Sibling discounts and financial scholarships are available) If you need additional information or want to make a reservation please contact Lisa Skvarla @ 206-938-3375 or visit <http://lmawestseattle.com> Thank you!!!

SEATTLE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS. Registration forms can be picked up in the Seattle Lutheran High School office at 4141 41st Ave SW or downloaded from their website at www.seattlelutheran.org. For more information contact the high school at (206) 937-7722.

LOOKING FOR SUMMER WORK. Hi, my name is Madeline Mitchell and I am a graduate of Holy Rosary and Seattle Prep. I am trying to earn college money and I am looking for summer work. I have taken my first aid training and have an excellent driving record. I will be out of school starting May 22nd. My cell phone is (206) 852-2767 or home (206) 937-4741. I can provide a resume and references. I would like to nanny or babysit but I am also open to other possibilities such as running errands or office work.

HOUSE SITTER AVAILABLE THIS SUMMER. A recent graduate of WSU, Cait Forbes, with a degree in Criminology and a minor in Psychology/Sociology, is available for house sitting this summer. She is an extremely responsible and dependable young woman, and has her own car for transportation. Her fees are negotiable. If you are interested, Cait can be reached at winter319@gmail.com. If you would like more information about Cait, please contact Janise Jordan, asst office admin for Holy Rosary, at janisejordan@comcast.net

Included in this FCE: (white unless otherwise stated)

- 🕒 **June Calendar**
- 🕒 **Annual Fund Form (3 part)**
- 🕒 **June Lunch Menu and Order Form**
- 🕒 **Centennial Birthday Block Party Flyer**
- 🕒 **Recess Duty Volunteer Sign Up Sheet for 2009-2010**
- 🕒 **Holy Rosary Church Pictorial Directory Information And Picture Price List**
- 🕒 **Mandarin Chinese Program Sign Up for 2009-2010**
- 🕒 **Box Tops for Education Flyer**
- 🕒 **Leaping for Literacy**
- 🕒 **Summer Reading Skills Programs Information**

- 🕒 **Art Wizards Summer Art Program**
- 🕒 **Westside Pride Hoop Camp Card**
- 🕒 **Volleyball Training with Joe Baleto (download only)**
- 🕒 **Piano Lesson Flyer**
- 🕒 **Sundance Flyer**

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

- 🕒 Parents' Club Meeting, Thursday, May 21, 6:30pm – School Hall
- 🕒 Field Day, NOON DISMISSAL, Friday, May 22
- 🕒 Memorial Day, NO SCHOOL, Monday, May 25
- 🕒 Buy One Get One Free Book Fair, Tuesday, May 26 – Monday, June 1
- 🕒 Through the Looking Glass Play for K-4, Wednesday, May 27, 10:15am – School Hall
- 🕒 Through the Looking Glass Play, Wednesday, May 27, 10:15am and 7:00pm – School Hall
- 🕒 5th Grade Wax Museum, Thursday, May 28, 9:00-12:00 – Hallways
- 🕒 Through the Looking Glass Play for Gr. 5-8, Thursday, May 28, 1:15pm and 7:00pm – School Hall
- 🕒 Prayer Service by 8A/8B, Friday, May 29, 8:30am - School Hall
- 🕒 Baccalaureate Mass Followed by Awards Dinner, Saturday, May 30, 5:00pm – HR Church followed by dinner in the School Hall
- 🕒 Grade 2 Poetry Café, Monday, June 1 – School Hall
- 🕒 Development Committee Meeting, Monday, June, 6:00pm – Staff Room
- 🕒 Grade 1 Field Trip to the Woodland Park Zoo, Wednesday, June 3
- 🕒 Grade 8 Fun Day to Coulon Beach, Wednesday, June 3
- 🕒 Grade 6 Patrol Pizza and Bowling Party, Wednesday, June 3, 12noon-1:30pm – WS Bowl
- 🕒 8th Grade Graduation, Thursday, June 4, 7pm – Holy Rosary Church
- 🕒 Kindergarten Graduation, Friday, June 5, 10am – School Hall
- 🕒 Parish Centennial Mass and Lunch, Sunday, June 7, 11:15am Mass – Holy Rosary Church and then Lunch in the School Hall
- 🕒 Grade 1 Reading Surprise, Monday, June 8 – School Hall
- 🕒 Grade 4 Underground Tour, Smith Tower & Alki – Tuesday, June 9
- 🕒 NOON DISMISSAL, Thursday, June 11
- 🕒 Parish Celebration for Kris Brown, Thursday, June 11, 7:00pm – School Hall
- 🕒 Last Day of School Mass, Friday, June 12, 8:45am – HR Church
Dismissal from Classrooms Immediately after Mass