



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

September 16, 2010

Notes From The School Office

"Forms will be available for download on the web site. We would prefer that you return any items intended for the school office inside of an envelope. If you choose not to use an envelope, we request that you staple any payments that need to reach the school office to the downloaded form. An occasional envelope containing hard copy forms or letters may be sent home from the school but a regular FCE envelope will no longer be used. An updated school calendar can be found on-line."

Parent/ Student/ Teacher Conferences will be Oct. 19 – 21 Each family is required to fill out the form included in this week's eFC and return it to the school office by Tuesday, Oct. 5th.

Pizza Lunch

Please see the attached information regarding this year's 8th grade pizza lunch fundraiser. There are some exciting changes that you won't want to miss!

Individual School Photos will be taken on Tuesday, September 21st. Students can wear free dress this day.

Christian Initiation Information Night Have you thought about joining the Catholic Church or do you know someone who is? Our RCIA Team will be offering a "no strings attached" information evening on the Catholic Church's process for bringing in new members Thursday evening, Sept. 30th from 7—9 pm in the School Hall. We will be giving an overview of the process plus an opportunity for attendees to have their questions answered. If you would like to know more about this process ahead of time, you can go to the Holy Rosary Parish web page and click on "Faith Formation and Youth Ministry" and then click on "RCIA" at the top of the screen. Should you have any questions before hand, don't hesitate to give me a call.

JoAnn Tobin, M.Div.

PA for Adult Faith Formation

206-937-1488, Ext. 203

Safe Environment Training

"Called to Protect for Ministries" This class is now scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 29th at 6:30 pm in the School Hall. As a reminder, all adults who volunteer in the school in any capacity, including field trip drivers, need to have a background check and the Archdiocesan sponsored Safe Environment Training for Ministries completed. The form to request a background check can

be downloaded from the Holy Rosary School website. Training sessions for the Safe Environment training are listed on the Archdiocesan website: www.seattlearch.org Go to the 'Safe Environment' link and then 'Register for Classes' to find a convenient date and location.

WestFest Is Here!

Are you ready for this year's big event? WestFest, the premier community festival you've all been waiting for is this weekend! There are still opportunities to help out and make this a truly memorable event. Check the attached flier for details and pray for sun! See you there!

Volunteers Needed for WestFest Rides and Games Shifts!!

Night owls get the extra hours! If you work at the KIDS GAMES or RIDES from 6-10 PM on Friday or Saturday, you will earn 3 fundraising hours for every 2-hour shift you work. That's right: Time-And-A-Half! We need volunteers for these shifts and it is a great way to earn those fundraising hours and have some fun at the same time! Sign up now on the Holy Rosary WestFest web site: www.holyrosaryws.org.

Milk Update The school milk delivered by Smith Brothers has changed from 2% to 1%.

Green Tip.

WestFest is green! Look for the large yellow bins for compostable items (food, paper napkins, paper plates, red and white "boat"-type serviceware, red and white paper served with pizza, uncoated food-soiled paper). As usual, we will also recycle soda cans, plastic bottles, plastic cups, and coffee cups. Thank you for helping keep Holy Rosary green.

There are a few sign up spots left on Westfest's Green Team, if you'd like to help manage the compost and recycling and we'd love to have you join us!

2010 Momster-Son Glow Bowl!!

Hey there, it is time to register for this year's Mother Son Glow Bowl! This year it will be on Saturday October 16, from 5 - 8pm. So mark your calendars, fill out the form & get ready for a great evening of fun, pizza & bowling with your son(s)! Dress up as a monster, or just in something white for a glowing good time! If you have any questions, feel free to give either Alex Gardner or Jocelyn Antilla a call.

Magazine Round Up Continues! After our 2nd Turn in Tuesday the HRS stampede has generated a whopping \$36,200 in sales, which is an incredible \$5,000 ABOVE last year at this same time! What an amazing job everyone is doing! Our current sales are a testament to the dedication of our Holy Rosary School community. Keep those orders coming in! We have just 2 more Turn in Tuesday's left! Thank you to everyone (especially you parents) for all the hard work that you are putting in to maintain or increase your family's sales levels. We appreciate everything that you are doing!

So who was the fastest draw at roundin' up orders for Turn in Tuesday #2? It was those rootin' tootin' 2nd graders! This earned them a crazy hat and a free dress day! Way to go! The 2nd graders rounded up enough orders to put themselves in the lead for total sales after 2 weeks. They are being chased by those adorable Kindergarteners and the awesome 6th graders .

Remember, you can be extra "green" by ordering online – go to www.aphearst.com and enter school code wc2897. No need to register the student, just include their name and grade. Don't need a magazine? Make a cash donation and your student gets credit (approximately 1 order for every \$16!).

The Annual Holy Rosary Italian Dinner is next Saturday, September 25th at 6:00 pm (immediately following the 5:00 mass) in Lanigan Gym. If you haven't made your reservation yet, it's not too late! We still have room. Plan a table with your friends! You can turn the flyer in with your check to the school office by Monday. We hope to see you there.

Italian Dinner Volunteers Still Needed. This event is a fun, easy way to earn fundraising hours. Please contact Christina Clarke at 425-641-4144 or cclarke@holynosaryws.org if you are able to help. Thank you.

Christmas Tree Lot HO HO HO... It's that time of year to start planning for our Christmas Tree Lot. We are looking for some new committee members to join our group. Please come if you can. Email Rick or Refawne Acarregui if you have any questions. Meeting Date: Thursday, 9/23 at 7 p.m. in the School Hall.

Parents in Touch We're putting the Rosary into Holy Rosary! You are welcome and invited to pray with other parents for the intentions of our school and parish community beginning Friday, Sept. 24. We meet from 8:30am (after drop off) until around 9am in the Reservation Chapel (off the narthex in the church) to pray the rosary each Friday morning of the school year. It is a wonderful way to conclude the week, remembering those who need our prayers, as well as giving thanks for the wonderful community that is Holy Rosary School. (Note: enter the church via the side - 42nd St. - door as the main doors are locked at that time.) Whether you are new to the school or someone who has always "meant to" join us, please do! We look forward to seeing you there! Any questions, please call Jillian Kane.

A Few Openings Left For Chinese Mandarin Classes On Wednesdays After School

Start date: October 6, 2010

EASY ONLINE ENROLLMENT AT:

www.spongeschool.com/elementary

The Details:

Wednesdays 2:25-3:20pm

30 classes (October 6 - Spring 2011)

Section I: K-2nd grade

Section II: 3-5th grade

4 payments of \$125, credit card payment option.

About Sponge Mandarin Classes

Sponge Mandarin classes are designed to instill a love of language and culture in children. Dynamic, native-speaking teachers lead small classes (maximum of 12 children) with a focus on communicating in Mandarin. Through games and activities, music, movement and art, we learn practical, every-day language and communication skills. All classes are taught in Mandarin and accommodate a range of levels.

Benefits of Early Language Learning:

Research shows that a child's brain is primed for acquiring language. Children master the sounds and syntax of a language in a way that's more difficult later on. And, there are cognitive benefits, too. Children who know more than one language understand that language is, in effect, symbolic. And, this understanding leads to strong verbal and analytical skills that result in higher test scores for math, social studies and even on their SATs.

For questions or to pay by check, please email us at info@spongeschool.com or phone: (206) 227-7138.

Included in this FCE:

- Parent/Student/Teacher Conference Form *Mandatory*
- WestFest Flyer
- Pizza Lunch
- Italian Dinner Sign Up
- Momster – Son Glow Bowl
- October Hot Lunch Menu and Order Form

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

- ✚ 7th Grade Pilgrimage, Wednesday, Sept. 15 – Thursday, Sept. 16
- ✚ NO SCHOOL for students, Friday, Sept. 17
- ✚ No BASE Program Friday, Sept. 17
- ✚ Archdiocesan Teacher In- Service, Friday, Sept. 17 – University of Washington
- ✚ WestFest, Friday, Sept. 17, 6pm-10pm
- ✚ WestFest, Saturday, Sept. 18, 10am-10pm
- ✚ Individual School Photos –Free Dress Tuesday Sept. 21
- ✚ 3rd Magazine Turn-In Day, Tuesday, Sept. 21
- ✚ Opening Mass – Thursday, Sept. 23 - Leadership
- ✚ Italian Dinner, Saturday, Sept. 25, 6pm – Lanigan Gym
- ✚ Last Magazine Turn in Day Tuesday, Sept. 29
- ✚ 8th Grade Ropes Retreat Wednesday, Sept. 29 – Oct. 1
- ✚ Momster – Son Glow Bowl Saturday, Oct. 16th
- ✚ Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences Tuesday, Oct.19 - 21