



SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

June 6, 2013

New Math Program Announcement!

We are excited to announce that we have selected our new Math program for grades K – 6: My Math by McGraw Hill Publishers. This program fully aligns to the Common Core standards. It will provide a consistent, cohesive math program throughout all of the grades at Holy Rosary. We will be sharing more specifics about the new curriculum and look forward to implementing it in the next school year.

Summer Reading

Read by flashlight.
Read in the shade.
Read whatever you want.

Summer reading feels different. It fosters an enthusiasm for reading. Select books that reflect a special talent, expertise, interest, desire to know, or a need for fun. Keep that energy flowing by participating in both of these reading activities.

- All students, parents and staff are urged to participate in Holy Rosary's Summer Reading Challenge. Read 15 minutes each day during the summer break and you will be invited to a special celebration in September. A calendar and explanation will be included with each student's report card.
- Leslie Sumida, the children's librarian at the West Seattle Library introduced the reading summer program urging our students to visit any Seattle Public Library to register.

Do you need some reading ideas? Do you know about all the online resources available through HRS? Look for the ideas, logins and passwords in next week's eFC or find the information on the HRS Library website.

The more you read the more you know.
The more you know the smarter you grow.
The smarter you grow the stronger your voice
when speaking your mind or making a choice.

Yearbook

Yearbooks are sold out!

Yearbook Elective Program - We are extremely proud of our yearbook program at Holy Rosary and one reason is because we are one of the very few K-8 school yearbooks entirely designed by a staff of 8th graders. Using skills they've learned in Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign, they create a full color sixty-four page book using the Herff-Jones online software. This year we've even kicked it up a notch with a new type of cover that we've received enthusiastic comments on! We hope you enjoy it. On the first day of yearbook elective the students learn that a yearbook is not only a memory book, but a record and history book, a reference book, and a public relations book; not to mention an educational experience for all students involved.

We truly think this is our best yearbook yet and we thank our awesome group of 20 students who created it.

Thank you for supporting our yearbook program! - Jon Barker / Michelle DeFeo - Yearbook Advisers

Golf Tournament!

Hello Holy Rosary Golfers! Registration is now open for the 2013 Holy Rosary Golf Tournament. Please join us for the 12th Annual Holy Rosary Golf Tournament to benefit the Father James Mallahan Endowment Fund on September 7th, 2013. Please note the earlier date scheduled for the weekend AFTER Labor Day Weekend. We will have a great day of golf at the West Seattle Municipal Golf Course. The event will include a 4-person scramble, lunch and awards receptions following the golf. If you register before June 15th, you will get a \$15 discount per player! You can register now on-line by clicking [HERE!](#) You can also follow us on [Facebook](#). Also, you can help make this year even better. Do you own a local business or have a friend who owns a local business? We are looking to add to our list of sponsors and need your help. This is a great opportunity to drive exposure of your business to the Holy Rosary community. Sponsor a hole or donate items for the raffle. Every little bit helps. If interested, please contact us! We look forward to another great year! Erik Ricard 2013 Holy Rosary Golf Chair hrgolf@holyrosaryws.org

Oklahoma Tornado Fundraisers

Thank you for your generosity. The 4th grade bake sale and the dollar free dress raised \$1309. The proceeds will be sent to Catholic Charities to benefit the tornado victims.

Front Office

Turn In Deadline June 7:

Directory Confirmation Forms were sent home this week. If you didn't receive a form, check your child's backpack. Please make any changes if necessary and turn into the office by June 7th. We want to ensure the information in our family directory is accurate.

If your child needs medication administered from the front office, prescription or over the counter (pain medication, cough drops/syrup, tums) please complete the attached

form for the 2013-14 school year. A copy will be kept in your child's medical file for the upcoming school year. (Please download form from the school website.)



The excitement is growing for next fall's WestFest! Make sure you mark your calendars for our general meeting on 6/10, in the School Hall. Our website's cobwebs are getting a thorough spring cleaning, so please start checking it for updates: <http://westfest.holyrosaryws.org/index.html>

In the meantime, we have an open call for stage assistance:
Emcee wanted for WestFest!

Want to earn volunteer hours while hanging out at WestFest and announcing the acts? Jim Dever will continue to run WestFest entertainment, but is asking for an emcee so he can focus his energies on stage production. If you are interested, please contact Sarah Katsandres at sarahkatsandres@gmail.com or 206-406-9568.

BAND NEWS!

Incoming 4th Grade families thank you for turning in your pre-registration band forms. In case you didn't get a copy, you can download one here. (insert link)

KENNEDY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SUMMER BAND CAMP: JULY 8 - 12 (Mon. - Fri.) 12:15 - 2p.m.

Summer is drawing near!

Time to register for Band Camp is HERE!

Look for a blue form from your child or go to our web site - www.kennedyhs.org

Learning in a fun environment!

Don't miss this annual event for our current band members!

Questions? Contact Miss McKamey @206-246-0500 ext. 370 or mckameyf@kennedyhs.org

CYO News

Adult Gator Softball Team Forming

Hey Gators! How about turning the tables and have your kids cheer you on for a change?!

Join the Holy Rosary Adult Softball team!

- Co-ed, just for fun team - We play other parishes in our area.
- There are 8 league games starting June 10th, 1 game per week, on either Monday or Thursday, played in Burien, Mercer Island or Shoreline (most games are at St. Bernadette).
- A very fun one day tournament on August 17th at Moshier Park in Burien.
- Only \$35.
- We only have two women signed up so far – help us get a team in!

Registration for Fall 2013 CYO Soccer is now open!

NEW THIS YEAR: We've started earlier and shifted the open registration to May/June before everyone leaves for summer vacation. The open registration period for all grades continues NOW through June 30th for the 1st – 8th Grades and through September 1st for Kindergartners.

REMAINING THE SAME FROM LAST YEAR: The fee is \$60. If you would like to reuse your 2012 black and blue striped Holy Rosary jersey, you will receive a \$15 discount off the registration cost. Any late registrations after this open registration period will be accepted on a space availability basis.

The CYO organization at Holy Rosary offers the amazing opportunity for all K - 8th graders in the parish to:

- Build school spirit by participating in organized sports with classmates and peers.
- Represent our school and parish in friendly competition with other Seattle area parishes.
- Develop new friendships while having fun and working towards a shared goal.
- Become involved with CYO Sports and the Holy Rosary community (esp. for new Kindergarten families).

For those already playing organized soccer in the Fall, CYO can be:

- A low pressure environment to refine skills or learn a new position in game-type settings.
- An opportunity to play with friends that are otherwise on different teams/leagues.

Last year, we had over 155 players and 20 volunteer coaches participate. Let's make 2013 an even bigger year for participation.

COACHES NEEDED – Please consider offering your skills, experience, and leadership in service to coaching one of our teams. Not only are community service hours available, but volunteering provides great connection with the Holy Rosary families/larger community. If you are interested, please contact Russell Nishimoto.

We have spot for everyone to participate in Gator CYO sports. If you have any questions, please

contact Russell Nishimoto, Soccer Coordinator for Holy Rosary at hrrscysoccer@gmail.com

Community Postings

The Younts have 3 adorable 5-week old baby bunnies that are ready for new homes. They are very friendly and have been handled with care since they were 14 days old. Please call if interested. We would love for these sweet baby bunnies to go to a Holy Rosary family. 206-419-6024. (See cute picture on website!)

Sponge Language School

Ni Hao! We've completed another wonderful year of language learning at Holy Rosary. We've learned all about cooking, our families, our hobbies and activities, wintertime, shopping, animals, and various Chinese cultural traditions!

Next academic year will be full of all new units and themes for your kids to learn about while being immersed in another language! Registration for the 2013-2014 school year will be opening up soon.

In the meantime, make sure to check out our summer classes and fabulous summer camps, Passport to China and Passport to Latin America! Learn more and sign up here for classes at one of our centers <http://spongeschool.com/sign-up/> and here for summer camps <http://spongeschool.com/sign-up/summer-camps-2013/>

As always, email us at info@spongeschool.com with any questions or to check in about registering!

It's almost July 4th, which means another great opportunity to attend the North Admiral Children's Parade. This year in preparation, we're hoping to find a student from Holy Rosary that would like to sing the National Anthem at the beginning of the parade. If there is more than one student interested that's great. The more the merrier. If you're interested, please contact Allyson Schreck this week by email, allysonschreck@hotmail.com or call 206-851-2314.

Summer Technology Camp - Many years ago when I first started teaching I would take a summer job at Computer Adventures technology summer camps. They are now known as iD Tech Camps and are the leading technology camps in the United States offering classes in App Development, Game Design, Programming, Robotics, Filmmaking, Web Design, Photography, 3D Animation and more. Camps are held throughout the country, including the University of Washington. Check out their website for more information: www.internaldrive.com
-Mr Barker

Summer Camps at Bishop Blanchet

(Please download from the Holy Rosary School website.)

Attention Music Students and Parents:

We invite you to participate in the new music camp happening this summer at Bishop Blanchet High School. The camp is an intensive 5-day learning experience for middle school band, orchestra, and choir students, with a performance for friends and family on the final day. The camp runs June 17th – 21st, 9AM – Noon at Bishop Blanchet High School. To register, please fill out the attached form. For more information, please contact Sean Richarz, sricharz@bishopblanchet.org.

Kennedy Catholic Summer Camps

Below you will find a link to the Summer Camps being held at Kennedy Catholic High School. These include: Football, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Girls Volleyball, High School Band and Elementary School Band. The link will take you to a web page with all the dates, times and fees, along with registration forms for each camp.








<http://www.kennedyhs.org/SummerCamps2013>

Summer Prep at Seattle Prep

Seattle Prep would like to invite all current 5th, 6th and 7th grade students (rising 6th, 7th, and 8th graders) to participate in *Summer Prep*! *Summer Prep* camps are one week long and include many athletic camps along with writing, study skills, science, art, theater, and technology camps and many more! New camps this summer include "Intro to Trial Law" ("Mock Trial" for middle school), "Geometry, Architecture, and Design," "Fizz, Pop: Let's Explore Chemical Reactions!" and several more. We also have many returning favorites such as "Musical Theater" (open to rising 9th graders), "Writer's Workshop," "Smart but Scattered," and "The Human Body" (including the dissection of a cow eye)! Visit www.seaprep.org/summerprep for the schedule, course catalog, and online registration. Email Jenell Kheriaty with questions.

A Child Becomes is offering 7 Camps this summer for kids aged 5 to 8. Please check out our website achildbecomes.org. There is a link to our Summer Camps on the home page or email Shelley at achildbecomes@gmail.com with any questions.

Upcoming Events

-  **June 6th** **8th Grade Graduation 7:00 pm**
-  **June 7th** **Kindergarten Graduation 10:00 am**
-  **June 10th** **New Parent Orientation**
-  **June 10th** **Woodland Park Zoo (1st Grade)**
-  **June 11th** **Underground Tour (4th Grade)**
-  **June 13th** **Noon Dismissal**
-  **June 14th** **Mass 8:45 (dismissal after Mass)**