



# SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Rosary School Family Communication Newsletter

January 16, 2014

## GO SEAHAWKS

Tomorrow, Friday, will once again be Seahawk Friday. Staff and students will be allowed to wear Seahawks colors and/or shirts and hats etc... Hopefully they will get the chance to do it two more times this year!

## THREE DAY WEEKEND

Remember this weekend is a three day weekend. There will be no school on Monday. Make the most of it!

## SCHOOL SURVEY

Here is the school survey I mentioned in last week's communication. Everyone will have one week to respond. Your participation is strongly encouraged.(Please visit website for survey.)

## STAFF SURVEY RESULTS

The staff completed a principal survey. Attached are the results. (See website.)

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools Week is almost here. It is the one week each year when the entire Catholic School System throughout the country celebrates itself and the role it has in the life of America and the Catholic Church in America. It takes place during the last week of January every year. This year it will start with Open House on Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> and it will end the following Sunday. Here are some of the highlights.

Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup> Open House Mass at 9:30 ----- The school staff will process in with the priest. The students will serve in many of the roles for the mass. The Principal will preach. Our Centennial Alumni Father Jerry McCloskey and Mrs. Virginia Hoyt Usher, will be recognized. The Chair of our Endowment, Kenneth Hasselback, will present Father Madigan with a check for \$50,000 from the Endowment for this year's allocation for financial aid. After mass everyone is invited over to the School Hall for coffee and pastries. Eighth graders will be available to take people on tours of the school. All staff will be in their rooms. There will be a book fair. The honored alums will be present for you to congratulate. Come for a tour or just to say hello ---- or just for a cup of coffee. All are welcome ----- past and present parents and students, past staff, potential new families, and parishioners. Just come and join in the celebration. Our Parents Club Officers will be greeting you at the door and providing the refreshments.

Monday January 27<sup>th</sup> will be Parent Appreciation Day. There will also be an all school "Read In", celebrating our interest in reading. It will take place between 2:05 and 2:25. There will be an all school Bingo Game run by our Librarian and Computer Teacher. Winners will receive 4 tickets to the Seattle University Basketball Game on Saturday February 8, 2014 in Key Arena. The Seattle University Redhawks

will be playing the New Mexico State Aggies. It is an all Catholic School event hosted by Fulcrum for all the students in Archdiocesan Schools. This day will be an out of uniform, Cozy Comfy, Gator Gear Day.

Tuesday January 28<sup>th</sup> will be Community Appreciation and Outreach Day.

This day will start off with a special prayer service in the Church. All the students are being asked to bring something in for a specific group (Francis House; Baby Corner; Chief Seattle Club; Holy Rosary Food Bank). The children will bring everything into the Church and place it around the altar. Father John will conduct a prayer service concentrating on giving to help those in need and connecting that to our Catholic faith and its particular call to us as a Catholic School. Children will then deliver the goods and do the traditional planting of the primroses, thanking businesses, and setting up for the grandparent lunch. Students will be allowed to wear jeans on this day.

Wednesday January 29<sup>th</sup> is Staff Appreciation Day and The Grandparent Lunch. The Parent Club, thru PATS will provide breakfast for the staff. This will be a PERFECT UNIFORM DAY. The School will provide box lunches for the staff. Room Parents will be coordinating some type of small recognition or gift for the teachers in their class. It might be a card signed by all the students or cards made by the students along with a flower or a balloon or something. Whatever you come up with is fine. Each of the homerooms, thru the teacher and/or the room parent will do something for non-homeroom staff.

Pre-School will take care of the Parish Staff

KA will take care of Puc, Hao and Sara Velling

KB will take care of Kamila and Kimberly and Ginger Newlin

First Grade will take care of George, Sue Southerland and Megan Heuer

Second Grade will take care of BASE and Sister Juanita and Bruno

Third Grade will take care of Janise, Mary Corrigan and Sue Harris

Fourth Grade will take care of Jennifer, Kathleen Everett and Mary Jo McFaul

Fifth Grade will take care of Maggie Judd, Kelly Madsen and Frances McKamey

Sixth Grade will take care of Scott, Suzanne Lewis and Janet Mudge

Seventh Grade will take care of Papa D, Karen Shelton Baker and Maeve Murphy

Eighth Grade will take care of Kelsey Wong and Carol Myers .

IF I HAVE MISSED ANYBODY PLEASE LET ME OR JENNIFER HAZZARD KNOW ASAP . The gates to the parking lot will open for the grandparents at 10:30. Grandparents will enter the gym and be seated between 11:00 and 11:30. Father John will lead the group in a before lunch prayer at 11:35. Grades 2 and 3 will sing as a group for entertainment. Grades 4 and 5 will sing as a group for entertainment. George will make a solicitation. Children will show up at 12:45 to bring their grandparents on a tour. The book fair will be open.

Thursday January 30<sup>th</sup> is Academic Achievement Appreciation Day. The Science Fair for grades 7 and 8 will be on display. The Invention Convention for grades 5 and 6 will be on display. The Pyramids will be on display for grade 6. There will be a Spelling Bee for grades 1 through 4, and one for grades 5 through 8. There will also be a Homecoming Activity where all the students will return to the classroom they were in last year.

Friday January 31<sup>st</sup> will be School Spirit Day. The uniform will be Centennial Shirts or regular uniform. A Spirit Assembly will take place at 9:30. Eighth graders will play the staff in Volleyball at 1:30.

Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup> will be Parish Appreciation Day. An eighth grader will be at each mass to thank the parish and parishioners for their support.

YEARLY STAFF MEETINGS

As Principal it has always been my practice to officially meet with every member of the staff and review the year and their performance. I also ask if they are interested in returning next year, and if appropriate, offer a contract. If any of the readers who are parents would like to offer me any special input, please feel free to do so. I do not, however, accept any anonymous critiques. My meetings will start in the second week of February, and they will go into March.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE **McMAHAN** FAMILY!**  
**THEY ARE THE WINNERS OF A FREE TICKET TO THE AUCTION.**

**To win 1 free dress pass for each child in the family, donate online by this Friday (1/17).**

## **DONATE TO THE AUCTION NOW!**

- Click on **DONATE**
- Choose donate an item from my family or Item from a business
- Click **CONTINUE**

### **NEED IDEAS?**

- 1) Electronics, games, sports tickets, theater tickets, sports memorabilia, American girl dolls, golfing, camping, small appliances and restaurant gift certificates are some of the popular items.
- 2) The Auction Amazon wish list is up and running.  
If you choose to shop from the wish list:
  - Shop from the **wish list**
  - Ship item to your home
  - AND, Enter/log donation(s) through this **link**
  - Bring item by school on February 28th
- 3) Cash Donation – Follow the same directions (above) as if you are entering an item. You have the option to donate cash in any amount.

**Have a great donation idea in the works? Let us know!!**

If you are working on a potential live item, let us know now. We can work with you!  
Please contact **Angel Sorensen** and **Tara Colagrossi**.

## **Catholic Schools Week Grandparents and Special Friends Lunch**

Volunteer Opportunities - to help us with set up on Tuesday 1/28 and Wednesday Jan 29 please follow this link. Thank you!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D44ADAB2BA57-grandparents>

## **Book Fair**

A Scholastic Book Fair is part of the celebrations during Catholic Schools Week. Add a stop at the book fair to your CSW schedule. The students are certainly excited to shop during recesses and after school. If you would like to be part of this excitement, you can volunteer to help by using this link. (Visit website for link.)

To provide a more pleasant shopping experience during the Grandparent Day on Wednesday, January 29, the book fair will be moved to the school hall and open from 10:30 - 1:30. Reading is vital to learning. The book fair promotes reading by providing easy access to a variety of resources for this community. Next week's efc will list the special activities and times of operation so you can update your calendars. Thank you for continuing to support reading, the library program and the book fair.

## **From the Office**

### **Pizza Lunch Clairification:**

It is not necessary to complete another pizza lunch order form if you turned in a form and payment at the beginning of the school year. **This second notice is to give you another opportunity to sign up for pizza lunch if you missed the first sign up in October or if you just signed up for the first half of the year.** If you want to participate in the fundraiser, please return the form to the office no later than Feb. 1. There will also be hard copies of this flyer available in the front office. Questions, or concerns, please contact Lindsay Ruf, Pizza Lunch Coordinator, at [lindsayruf@comcast.net](mailto:lindsayruf@comcast.net) or 206-935-5845. Thanks!

### **Friendly Parking Reminder**

Please be mindful of where you park when you are picking up your children. The office received a call from a neighbor because her driveway is sometimes blocked during pickup. Please be aware of driveways when you are parking your car. Thank you.

## **2014-2015 Holy Rosary School Registration for New Families**

Applications for NEW students are available in the main office and online. If you have questions regarding our application process, please contact Kimberly Tish, Registrar at [ktish@holyrosws.org](mailto:ktish@holyrosws.org).

\*\*\*Please note, do not complete an application for currently enrolled students. Registration for current students will begin in March 2014. Thank you.

### **Magazine Drive**

Questions about magazine drive orders should be directed to:

A.P.Hearst Customer Service:

By phone: [\(1-800-284-9711\)](tel:1-800-284-9711)

Customers can also check the status of their order online at [www.aphearst.com](http://www.aphearst.com) Go to "*Check on your order*" on the lower right hand side underneath the Facebook information on the A.P.H. Home page.

If there are still issues, don't hesitate to contact us here in the office. Be sure to leave a message or contact Deb via e-mail. [deb@yes-fundraising.com](mailto:deb@yes-fundraising.com) 425-483-6713

### **CYO News**

Support our sports! New Gator CYO Jackets available!

Whether you are teaching, coaching, cheering our teams on, or just want to show your support, this is for you!

We now have a new line of Women's Gator Jackets available for purchase. Ladies Tech Fleece, Water Resistant, Full-Zip, Hooded Jacket with thumb-holes and shoulder side zip pocket!

Please return your order form to the office with checks payable to Norwest Graphics. All proceeds will benefit our CYO program. These jackets are available for adult purchase only and are not considered uniform pieces for students. Samples for fit available. Look for more exciting Gator Gear to come!

Questions? Contact: Kathy Eckelkamp at [kathykamp2@gmail.com](mailto:kathykamp2@gmail.com) (See website.)

### **Adult Confirmation**

For those adults (anyone out of high school) who have not yet been confirmed, Holy Rosary will be offering a series of sessions beginning Wednesday evening, Feb 5 from 7:00PM to 8:30PM in the Parish Center. Bishop Eusebio Elizondo will be here Sunday, May 11 at the 11:30AM Mass to confer the sacrament of Confirmation for both our teens and adults. For more information or to register for the sessions, please contact JoAnn Tobin at 206-937-1488, Ext. 203, or email at [jtobin@holyrosws.org](mailto:jtobin@holyrosws.org).

**Come Pray the Rosary with Us.** As we celebrate 100 years of Holy Rosary School, we believe it is fitting to revive that tradition of community members joining together to pray. Whether you regularly pray the Rosary, or have never experienced the beauty of the Rosary before, we

would love to have you join us. No prior knowledge or experience is needed, and all ages are welcome. As Blessed Pope Pius IX said, "Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world. " We will gather each month on the second Tuesday at 7 pm in the Chapel. Those dates will be February 11 and March 11. If you have any questions, contact Ann at jandasummers@msn.com or Maritherese at maritheresethomas@yahoo.com.

## **Community Notices:**

### **Youth Free Throw Competition**

Our Lady of Guadalupe Council Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a Free Throw Competition for all boys and girls ages 10 to 14. The competition will be held on **Saturday, February 1, at 10:00 am** (registration opens at 9:45), at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Life Center (3410 S.W. Myrtle).

Each boy and girl age group champion will be eligible to advance to the District Competition to be held in February, followed by the Regional and State Competition. Participants are required to furnish proof of age (birth certificate, etc).

### **Marriage Retreats**

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON**  
**A Short Retreat for Couples**  
**Sunday, Jan 26, 1 - 5 p.m.**

*"I would recommend to any couple to attend Sunday Afternoon...it was a short and refreshing time to connect with your spouse and focus on what is important. Susie and Todd*

*At Sunday Afternoon you will talk to each other about: Why you married years ago; your life together now. Your Sacramental Marriage in theory and practice. Your wedding vows for today.*

**Place:** Parish Center, Holy Rosary, Seattle

**Time:** 1– 5 p.m. **Cost:** \$10 per couple

**To Register:** Call Robert Fontana @ 509-731-6012 or email [Robert@catholiclifeministries.org](mailto:Robert@catholiclifeministries.org)

### **HIDDEN TREASURE**

A Workshop Series to Help You Discover the Amazing Gift of your Marriage  
**Sundays, February 9 & 23 (Part I)**

(Part II dates coming this spring, TBA)

**Place:** Guadalupe Church, W. Seattle

**Cost:** \$40 (includes workbook)

**Time:** 1-4:30 p.m.

You will...

- ◆ *have fun, and deepen love and friendship.*
- ◆ *learn effective skills in speaking /listening.*
- ◆ *assess and discuss major areas of married life.*
- ◆ *learn how to protect the relationship from negative words and behavior.*
- ◆ *grow in faith and understanding of your Sacramental union.*

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### **West Seattle Little League registration is now open!**

2014 is shaping up to be an exciting year for West Seattle Little League. A new division of play called Double-A Rookies is being introduced and is specifically designed for 8 year old kids moving up from Coach Pitch before playing in the Minors. This division will continue the focus on education and development, and will introduce players to pitching, hitting against kid pitchers, more advanced defensive play, and umpires calling balls and strikes.

Also new for 2014 is a revised Little League rule regarding residency and boundaries. Children that attend schools within the West Seattle Little League boundaries will be able to play in our league even if they live outside the boundaries. This is a wonderful rule change that will enable friends from our schools to play baseball together even though they may live in different parts of West Seattle.

And finally, WSLI is honored to have been selected as the host league and site for the 2014 Washington State Little League 11-12 year old All Star Tournament. The tournament will take place in early July at Bar S Fields. This promises to be an outstanding culmination to the 2014 season with 13 of the best teams in Washington coming to West Seattle to battle for the opportunity to represent the state at the NW Regional Tournament. Many of you may recall our "neighbors" from Lake Sammamish who advanced all the way to the National Semifinals in Williamsport PA last year. Stay tuned.

To learn more about WSLI and to register for the 2014 season, please visit the league's web site at: [www.westseattlelittleleague.com](http://www.westseattlelittleleague.com) or contact us at [playeragent@westseattlelittleleague.com](mailto:playeragent@westseattlelittleleague.com).

**Upcoming Dates to Remember**

- ❖ Jan 20 – MLK Day – No school
- ❖ Jan 26 – School Open House 10:30 – 1:00
- ❖ Jan 26 – 31 – Catholic Schools Week
- ❖ Jan 29 – Grandparents Day