



Holy Family School Family Newsletter



Dear Holy Family School Families,

Dec. 6, 2007

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: If you have a kindergarten age child or know of a family with a kindergarten age child for the 2008-2009 school year please call the office. We have registration forms available for children entering kindergarten in the fall of 2008. The office phone number is 494-1931.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATES:

An evening with Christ Child (vocal concert)

Monday, December 17 @ 6:30PM

Band Concert

Thursday, December 20 @ 7:00PM

ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS: Holy Family School middle school students are HIGHLY encouraged to participate in our school Service Program. Students need to complete a total of 12 hours or service for the year. This can include this past summer. At least one hour is required in each of the four categories: home, school, community, and church. Service hour slips are available in the office. The slips must be turned in by May 15, 2008.

MARKET DAY – December 17 Please take a look at this months Market Day flyer in your brown envelope. If every Family purchased ONE box of cookie dough our school would make \$506.00 profit from the cookie purchases alone. You can place your order online by going to www.marketday.com and enter school code 26149. Pick up is on Monday Dec 17th from 3 - 4pm in the school cafeteria. Arrangements for order pick up can be made by calling Keri Bartolazzi at 592-9184. Thank you in advance for supporting Holy Family School!!

Please check your checkbooks! If you wrote a \$297 check to Holy Family School for magazine sales (prior to 10/26/07) please contact Marci in the Parish Office (494-2534). Thanks for your help.

Give-A-Kid-A-Book Campaign: The Give a Kid book campaign will run through Dec. 10. Holy Family will collect books from now to Friday Dec. 7th. A collection box can be found on each floor. Please consider this cause! Books for children from birth to age 18 can be donated. Thank you.

Franciscan Camp Experience available for 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls, June 16-18. Lots of friendship, creativity, prayer and fun. Transportation available. Brochures on the rack near the office. Contact Sister Ann Carla for more information.

PACKER GAME PARKING: The 8th graders have committed to a student-led fundraiser to assist in covering graduation expenses. They will be parking cars in the strip mall lot on the corner of Marvelle Lane and South Oneida Street, with Heid's Music as the anchor store, for the three remaining Packer home games. If you need a spot on game day, please keep us in mind. Ten dollars gets you a space in a lot that is only ½ mile south of Lambeau Field. Consider supporting our efforts on our next scheduled date, **this Sunday, December 9.** GO PACK!

CALLING ALL PEOPLE IN NEED OF 3RD SOURCE FUNDING HOURS: The scheduling for the SNACK SHACK is under way. It will take place most Saturdays in Dec., Jan., Feb., and March. If you still need hours this is one of the last ways to get them. **Call Lisa Gegare at 494-6394 to schedule your time.** We need food or monetary donations for the concession stand. Please call Mrs. Otto at HFS with any questions. This too is part of your third source funding and we appreciate any means you can help.

Attention Eighth Grade Parents. Forward your child's photos for the eighth grade video to school in the envelope previously provided. Please have your child give them to Ryan or Spencer before Christmas vacation. Address any questions to Mrs. Kropp or Mrs. Keebler.

Girl Scout Troop 165: We will meet Tuesday, December 11. Please pick up your daughter promptly at 5:00pm. Thank you.

Attention 6th -8th Graders Interested in the Geo. Bee: Anyone interested in preparing for the 2008 National Geographic Bee can brush up on geography with GeoBee Challenge, an online geography quiz at www.nationalgeographic.com/geobee. Ten new questions from previous National Geographic Bees will be posted each day. The GeoBee Challenge board game also provides "geography fun" for students and their families. Ms. Van Dyke has copies of the games and others she'd be happy to share if you contact her. Games can also be purchased online and in stores like Target. Interested students are encouraged now to think about taking part in and preparing for the Bee which will be held in early January.

REMINDER - Christmas Gifts for Holy Family Faculty and Staff: If you are interested in donating to the collection for Faculty and Staff, please return the form and your contribution in an envelope marked "Christmas Gifts" by **December 7**. Please make checks payable to the Home and School Association. If you have any questions about this giving opportunity, please Kathy Vanderheyden at 490-2003. Thank You!

FROM THE KITCHEN: Parents, please check you child's (children's) lunch balances on line with Power School. If you have trouble accessing your account, please contact Teri Murphy. There are current over thirty families with negative balances. Also check with your child to see if his/her teacher has sent home a pink slip in a white envelope marked "hot lunch" lately. They often get forgotten in desks or backpacks. Thanks for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have questions concerning your account, please call me at 490-1764. Sally Karls

The next **Children's Holy Hour** will take place on Friday, December 7th at 7:00 pm at Saints Peter and Paul Church in Green Bay. This hour is an interactive Holy Hour aimed at helping families, especially children to understand and adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Saints Peter & Paul Church is located at 710 N. Baird Street, on the Northeast corner of the intersection of University Avenue and Baird Street in Green Bay. Everyone is invited. Come with your family to adore our Lord as we begin the Season of Advent. Explore the love, nurturing and guidance of the Mother of God as our Mother in the context of the Message of Fatima in the language of children. As usual, confessions will be available during the Holy Hour. There will also be a social to follow. Please bring a drink or snack to share.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT HELPERS: Mrs. Krepline is looking for a few parents to help her with organizing after the Christmas concert December 17th. She would need about 3-4 parents to help put risers away, and pick up the church at the end of the evening. With the right help it will take about 15 minutes! If you are interested please contact Mrs. Krepline at 494-1931 ext. 308.

SAFETY: For the safety of all our children please do not park across the street from school and allow your child to dart across the street. The children are to walk to the corner of 9th and Fisk and cross at the light. Please wait for your child to get completely on to the sidewalk before pulling away. We have had a lot of close calls.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Please fill up the "trees" with box tops and send back to the office. More are available in the office to fill. We will be having a drawing for a Barnes & Noble gift certificate Dec. 18. Good Luck!!!

SCRIP UPDATE: Just a reminder to get your Christmas orders in **ASAP**. Our suppliers are great but we cannot guarantee delivery or availability the week before Christmas. We also have a great inventory on hand. A few additions: **Marcus Theatres has changed to a \$25 card; Mrs. Field's Cookies is back again at \$5; and Wal-mart is available - \$25/\$100 @ 2%. Walmart cards are also accepted at Sam's Club stores.** Thanks again to all who support Scrip! Happy Holidays! Cheryl - #498-9878

NDA Dance: Friday, December 7 from 6:30-9:00pm at NDA's old gym for 7th & 8th graders. 50s Theme

Comet Corner Store. We invite you and your children to come shop at the school store during the month of December. We have a large selection of Christmas themed items ranging in price from \$.05 to \$1.50. In addition to various pens, pencils, erasers, and pencil grips, we have novelty items that would be appropriate for your children to give as gifts. We have stampers, stickers, and tattoos for little ones as well as holiday magnetic photo frames, journals, and sticky notes for those older. There are some religious items including cross crocheted bookmarks, angel bell necklaces, and nativity charm beaded bracelets. Popular items from this past weekend's sales at the St. Nick's shop include Rubic cubes with a winter twist, bouncing balls, and plush holiday coin purses. Come see what we have to offer!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Friday, December 7	Early Release Day
Wednesday, December 12	Reconciliation @ 1pm (gr. 3-5)
Thursday, December 13	Reconciliation @ 1pm (gr. 6-8)
Friday, December 21	Early Release Day – non-uniform “Warm inside” day
Dec. 22-Jan. 1	No School – Christmas vacation
January 2, 2008	Back to school ☺

Non-Uniform Day: The Student Council has requested non-uniform days to take place on early release days. **With two early release days in December, we will celebrate Dec. 21 as a non-uniform day, not Dec. 7.** The group has a theme for each non-uniform day. The December 21 theme is “Cold outside, warm inside”. This is a Friday early release day before Christmas break allowing students an opportunity to wear sweatshirts, sweatpants, and jogging suits. In following our uniform guidelines, we do not allow shirts with objectionable sayings or pictures nor do we allow sweatpants with words across the backside/seat.

YEAR BOOK PHOTOS: SPORTING EVENTS/TEAMS, GIRL SCOUTS, SPECIAL EVENTS: PLEASE GET YOUR YEAR BOOK PHOTOS IN ASAP... Send in any photos of your group, special event, or even candid's from classrooms. We need them now so we aren't scrambling at the end of the year. Hard copies please labeled with all names of participants etc and your name so we can return them. Contact Ami Gracyalny 869-5409 or email to amii@new.rr.com with any questions.

IN TOUCH WITH THE ARTS fundraiser has reached a new selling benchmark with selling the ENTERTAINMENT 2008 BOOKS. We will now earn \$15.00 of the \$30.00 selling price for each book sold! Once again, Thank you to all the parishioners and school families that have purchased a book and helped us achieve this level of profit! You may still purchase a book at the school office for \$30.00. They make great Christmas gifts!

REPORT CARDS & IOWA RESULTS: Report cards will be sent home **with your child TODAY**. IOWA Tests score results are included in this week's brown envelope. Grades 3, 5, & 7 students received their individual reports. ***Please sign the report card envelope and return the envelope to school.***

CUB FOODS RECEIPTS Please continue to save your cub food receipts. We collect the receipts for our school. Thank you.

Flyers and Programs that have been placed in the school lobby by the office include information from the following:

*YWCA – DANCE

*Festival of Lights –Dec.8 (5-7pm)

*A.H.S. Dance Clinic (K-5) Dec. 7

*Nutcracker Ballet, Dec. 7, 8, or 9

*Youth Sports Clinic

God bless you,

Pamela Otto