



Holy Family School Family Newsletter



Dear Holy Family School Families,

Dec. 13, 2007

FOUR YEAR OLD AND FIVE YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: If you have a kindergarten age child (age 4 or age 5 before Sept. 1, 2008) 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 four year old or five year old kindergarten in the fall of 2008. The office phone number is 494-1931.

FAMILY REGISTRATION: Enclosed in this week's brown envelope is a family registration form. Please complete and return it to school by Monday, January 8, 2008. The information helps us in determining budget plans and class sizes. Thank you.

2008-2009 Registration: Registration for new students for the fall of 2008 will be in late January 2008. A kindergarten information session for new kindergarten parents of five year olds will be held on Tuesday, January 22 at 6:00pm.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATES:

An evening with Christ Child (vocal concert)
Band Concert

Monday, December 17 @ 6:30PM
Thursday, December 20 @ 7:00PM

Calling all Cross Country Skiers!!!! Ski For Light needs your help!! Ski For Light? Is a program that uses cross-country or nordic skiing as a means to introduce people with visual and physical impairments to sport, exercise and health. WITH MANY DONATIONS the Sons of Norway, the Lions Camp in Rosholt and area ski clubs we have hosted a weekend event for the past 20+ years, the success of the weekend is mostly snow dependant. So the last few years the numbers of blind skiers has been low. Guess what?! It snowing!!!! Blind skiers are signing up in record numbers! And we need guides to get them on the ski trails!! Also, if you know of any blind or visually impaired person who would like to learn to ski...sign them up!!! This is an amazing weekend!!! The event will be held January 18-20, 2008 at the Lion's Camp facility in Rosholt, WI. **Guides stay and eat for FREE!** Visit the web site at www.wiskiforlight.org or call (715) 569-4910 for more information.

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 of 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.

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

We are collecting money and baby items for our Christmas service. The money is for a very needy family in our community who, without our help, would receive no Christmas presents. With the money collected, the student council officers will shop for presents for the grandmother, mother, and three children. The baby items will be given to the Love Life Program, located at St. Joe's Church. Any baby items for newborns to toddlers are greatly appreciated. Teachers will be keeping track of which students bring in either money, baby items, or both, and those students will be allowed a jean day on December 18, 2007. We would like all money and items turned in on or before that day. Thank you once again for all your generosity, Student Council

GOLDEN APPLE NOMINEES: We have many wonderful teachers at Holy Family School. The following were recognized by Partners in Education as Golden Apple Nominees: Barb Anderson, Molly Beining, Patti Crooks, Monica DeMario, Sara Foote, Margaret Georgia, Ruth Hayden, Sharon Holl, Julie Kelly, Beth Krepline, Janet Penza, Jayette Reynolds, Lynne Tennie, and Mary VanDyke. Congratulations!

GYM UNIFORMS: Beginning the school year 2008-2009 students in grades 4-8 will be required to wear a gym uniform. The shorts and t-shirt combination meets the gym uniform guidelines and alleviates issues with other street clothing. The uniform will cost approximately \$15. We have samples arriving in January of 2008 giving families the option to purchase for this year.

PULASKI HIGH SCHOOL: 8th Grade Scheduling Information meeting will be held in the Pulaski High School auditorium on Monday, February 4, 2008 at 6:30PM.

COOKIE DOUGH: Are you looking for something **FUN** and **EASY** to do with the kids? Why not order a few dozen Pillsbury ready to bake frozen cookies? The cost is \$5.00/dz. We still have several dozen to sell. You can call me at 592-9184 or send an order into the office. Thank you in advance for supporting HFS!! Keri Bartolazzi

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.

GIVE A KID A BOOK Holy Family School brought in over 200 books for the give a kid a book campaign. Good job! The books were delivered to the Brown County Library.

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 30. 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.

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.

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

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 21	Early Release Day – non-uniform “Warm inside” day
Dec. 22-Jan. 1	No School – Christmas vacation
January 2, 2008	Back to school ☺
January 7-11, 2008	Adult School Crossing Guard Recognition Week
January 8, 2008	Ambrosius Studio/ Group Photos for yearbook
January 9, 2008	1 st Grade Field Trip

Non-Uniform Day: Friday, December 21 is an early release day before Christmas break with the theme “Cold outdoors/warm inside”, 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!

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
- *Youth Sports Clinic
- *NDA Cheer Camp

God bless you,
Pamela Otto