

Home & School Meeting 2/1/2018 - 7:00 p.m.	Notes	To-Do	Responsible
Attendees: Mr. Ireland, Karen Stipa, Lynette Smith, Kelly Bell, Carolyn Cucinotta, Shannon Stahl, Maureen McCarthy, Dara Lyon, Leah Bustraan, Maryanne Thiel, Amanda McCarthy, and Melissa Rubinich			
Agenda			
Welcome and Opening Prayer 7:00 p.m.	Led by Karen Stipa and Lynette Smith		
Kudos	MLK Service Project – the younger grades made cards, the middle grades visited the Senior Center and the older grades went to the YMCA. It was a successful day! Perhaps, next time, we may want to have the younger grades participate in something more than card making. Maybe card making along with something else. Thank you, Tara Simonic, Megan Myers, Kerri Crowne and Maureen Pallante, and all of the other volunteers who helped out with this event!		
	Ice Skating - There were fewer people in attendance this year. The event netted \$177.00 this year and over \$600.00 last year. Was it too long of a day with the service projects in the morning? The Science Fair started the next day. It was still \$5.00 per person. Thank you Mira Holloway and all of the other volunteers who helped out with this event!		
	CSW – Mass/Teacher Doors/Gifts/Thank you cards The theme is Catholic Schools – Learn, Serve, Lead, and Succeed	Thank you to the parishes, students, and families who supported the start of Catholic Schools’ week. It was wonderful that so many kids wore their school uniforms, and it was great to see the kids read, bring up gifts, and to have parents speak at the Masses. H&S would like to continue this	Special thanks to Theresa C., Patricia S., Bridget B., Lynette S., and Mrs. Abell, along with the homeroom parents, who decorated the staff and faculty door. Thanks too Erin G. and Janice M for coordinating the baskets of items for the teachers’ lounge.

		<p>event. A card was made and signed by all HFS students and presented to each of the parishes.</p>
	1/28 – 2/2 – Catholic Schools’ Week	<p>The teachers’ luncheon is on Friday, 2/2. Cathy Fontana has everything she needs for the luncheon.</p> <p>Everyone enjoyed Grandparents’ Day. The school was nicely decorated, and the teachers liked the timing more than at the end of the year. It was nice having Mass as part of Grandparents’ Day. There was some concern that the weather could have been a problem, but it was not this year. Going forward that could affect attendance.</p>
Treasurer Report	Review Current Expenses/Profits	<p>Melissa provided an update on the H&S budget: The balance in the H&S account is currently \$5300.00. The profits earned school YTD is \$2100.00. The skating party earned \$177.00 and ice cream so far has earned \$700.00.</p> <p>Thank you Melissa for the update!</p>
Calendar Review	Spirit Days	<p>Thank you to everyone who had lunch or dinner at Vecchia’s. The Home & School mailed a thank you card to the owner for partnering with HFS.</p>
	February Box Tops	<p>Flyer to be sent Friday, 2/2</p> <p>End Drive 2/21, Submission Date 3/1</p> <p>Thank you Chrissy Halliday for your help with Box Tops!</p>
	2/19 – Teacher luncheon	<p>Cathy Fontana will send a signup request for the teachers’ luncheon on Presidents’ Day. The request will be sent to the Kindergarten, 2nd, and 4th grade parents. Please also let Cathy know if you are able to help with setup / cleanup.</p>

		Thank you Cathy Fontana for your help with teachers' luncheons!
	2/21 – Wednesday – Iron Hill Spirit Day	The next spirit day will be at Iron Hill on Wednesday 2/21. More information along with the coupon is to come.
	3/11 – International Festival	<p>Will be held in Griffin Hall this year! There will be a meeting coming up soon with the committee. Please let H&S know if there is a cultural group that you would like to take part in the event. More information to come. There is a reimbursement offered for the food made for the event.</p> <p>Please let Lynette Smith know if you would like to help and/or participate in this event!</p>
	4/9 – 4/13 – Book Fair	<p>It was discussed to potentially invite students who attended our HFS open houses. Is the book fair open to everyone? Can we add it to the Parish Bulletins?</p> <p>Thank you Missy Hirst for running the book fairs! Please let Missy Hirst and H&S know if you would like to be one of the chairpersons for this event going forward.</p>
	4/21 – Father/Daughter Dance 5/6 – Mother/Son Fightin' Phils	<p>Everyone is looking forward to these events! There will be a Save the Date and more information to come!</p> <p>Thank you Meg Cellini and Lori Laskowsky and Christy Flynn for running these events!</p>
	5/12 – 5 K	This is a new event this year for HFS. This is great HFS event along with CYO and the overall community. The proceeds will go to the HFS.

	5/19 – Dogwood Parade	HFS will be participating in the Dogwood Parade this year! Some ideas that were discussed are: HFS cheerleaders, a convertible, band (we will need to check with the band director). Mr. Ireland suggested that we look to see what spring sports can participate in the parade (the kids could wear their spring sports uniforms). How about members of the drama club?
Hot Topics/Principal's Report	<p>Going forward, pictures will be added to Facebook instead of the Monday communication.</p> <p>Next Home and School Meeting is Thursday, 3/1.</p> <p>Mr. Ireland made the point that HFS has the resources and electives like the public middle schools and have a lot to offer. We have more one on one with the students than the public schools and have a smaller environment that can help with getting through those middle school years that are tough for a lot of kids.</p>	
Closing Prayer and Thank you	Thank you Mr. Ireland for attending the H&S meeting. It was very helpful having a teacher there for ideas and input.	