

Principal's Posting

February 10, 2024



Holy Family SCHOOL

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"One of the scribes, when he came forward and heard them disputing and saw how well he had answered them, asked him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'The first is this: 'Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these."

~Mark 12:30-31

Principal's Spotlight

This week, I would like to shine a light on 1st Grade student Erik W. Erik and his classmates were working with Mrs. Shavor to come up with a name for a character in their classroom. The students were all sharing names, but Erik mentioned that not everyone was present, and wouldn't it be more fair if they waited until everyone was present to participate. While this might not seem like a big deal to many of us, but to a 1st Grade student...sometimes this can be so important! We are so proud of Erik for being empathetic and caring towards the rest of his classmates, not to mention a fantastic role model for all.





Continuous Enrollment/Opt-Out Forms

It's that time of year to begin thinking about re-registration for your child(ren). Earlier this week, Mrs. Sabatino sent out an email with the Continuous Enrollment and Opt-Out (of Continuous Enrollment) forms for all families to complete. We are asking families to complete whichever form suits your needs at this time.

Completing the Continuous Enrollment form will ensure that your child(ren) will be re-enrolled each year through his/her 8th Grade year. If you are unsure if Continuous Enrollment is right for you, simply complete the Opt-Out Form.

Please complete one of the two forms as soon as possible as this helps us begin planning for the 2024-2025 school year. Once you have completed the form, Mrs. Bahr will add the \$250 registration fee to your March tuition payment.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Sabatino at advancement@myholyfamilyschool.org.

Rich McGarry Panther Pride Tournament

February and March is the heart of basketball season and Holy Family CYO is excitedly preparing for the 8th annual Rich McGarry Panther Pride Tournament. This tournament is an exciting and fun opportunity to celebrate pride in our school and the sportsmanship that is at the heart of CYO sports.



The tournament kicks off in Griffin Hall on February 23rd. As part of the festivities, CYO is selling t-shirts with a design from Holy Family Students. The t-shirts are black athletic fabric with white lettering and are available in short or long sleeves and the cost for each is \$20. The shirts will be available at Griffin Hall during the tournament but to ensure we don't run out, anyone interested in purchasing a shirt can send an email with the number of shirts you'd like, the size, and sleeve length to Joseph.fanelli@hotmail.com. Joe will coordinate getting your shirts to you or picking them up at the Griff at the tournament.

On Friday Feb 23, our school will also be having a dress-down day to celebrate the kickoff of the tournament – and anyone with a shirt would be welcome to wear them to school that day.

LETS GO FAMILY!



Our February Lunch Volunteers sign up is [here](#). If you have any extra time in your day/week/month, and you'd like to assist the teachers with lunch recess, we would love to have you. The children would be happy to see you as well!

March Lunch Menu and Payment Link

March Lunch Menus are now available and attached below. The payment link can be found [here](#). Menus and payments are due on Wednesday, 2/14.



March 2024 Lunch menu.pdf

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Home and School's International Festival

Attention Holy Family School... Home and School is excited to announce that The International Festival right around the corner.

WHAT IS THE INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL?

The International Festival is an opportunity to get together with our school community for a festive celebration of cultures from around the world. Families who are interested are asked to bring a small food sample from their country and any materials you would like to share from your chosen country. In the past, folks have brought maps, unique sports equipment, art or items that are special to your country. There will also be cultural table games, crafts and music. It is such a fun afternoon to build our school community. All are welcome. We hope you will consider hosting a table.

WHEN: Sunday February 25, 2-4pm

WHERE: Holy Family School lunchroom

So far we have tables representing Slovakia, Philippines, Germany and Brazil. We would love to get at least 4 more countries. If you would like to host a table please e-mail Lynette Smith, unavagel@aol.com

Title I Surveys

Title I surveys have been distributed to our youngest and only students. Please check your child(ren)'s folders for these surveys. Complete and return them to the office by Friday, 3/1. These surveys are anonymous, and they help HFS get much-needed funding to support our students from their home school districts.



Home and School Family Bingo

Save the date on March 12th for Home and School's Family Bingo Night! This is a fun event that all ages will enjoy!

Give Back by Giving Blood

The annual Maren's Fierce Fighters Blood Drive is back! Please save the date and consider donating blood.

Site: Holy Family School Griffin Hall
Address: 230 3rd Ave, Phoenixville, PA, 19460
Room: Griffin Hall Gymnasium
Date: Friday March 8th, 2024
Time: 02:00 PM - 07:00 PM



Direct link for registration:

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=Maren%20Fierce%20Fighters>

Catholic School Culture Survey



The Office of Catholic Education has requested that the Catholic School Culture Survey be shared with all of our families. Please click [here](#) to complete it, and thank you in advance!

Phillies All-Star Teacher Contest

The Philadelphia Phillies are sponsoring an All-Star teacher contest. Consider nominating one of our teachers! Click [here](#) for more information.



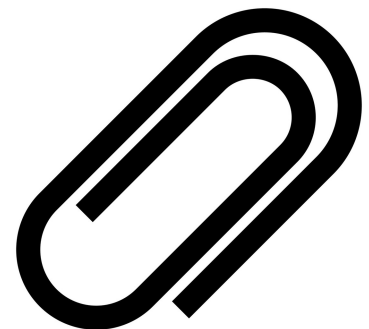
King or Queen of the Classroom

The Philadelphia 76ers are looking for the King or Queen of the Classroom. Nominate an HFS teacher who has helped your child to shine this year. Winners will receive a 76ers gift bag filled with team merchandise, tickets to a 76ers game, and a donation of \$3,000 for books for their school. Winning nominators will receive a signed 76ers jersey.

Click [here](#) to nominate someone!

Attachments

- Teacher Residency Program - Are you interested in becoming a teacher, but you're not sure where to start? This might be the program for you.
- EITC - See the attachment for ways in which you can use your tax dollars to support Holy Family School.
- Brothers of Borromeo Vocation Camp
- Palm Sunday Breakfast Buffet
- Safe Sitter Classes
- Bishop Shanahan High School Information



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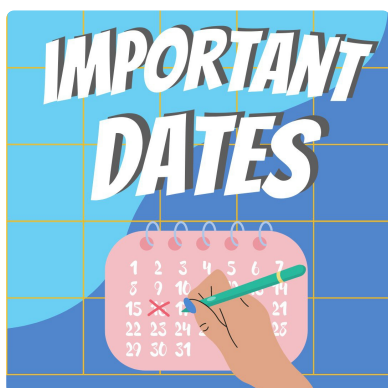
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Important Dates

- 2/14/2024 - Ash Wednesday
- 2/15/2024 - February and August Birthdays Dress Down
- 2/16/2024 - No School/Teacher Retreat
- 2/19/2024 - No School/Presidents' Day
- 2/20/2024 - Prayer Service @ 2:15PM in St. Ann Chapel
- 2/25/2024 - Home & School's International Festival



Jennifer D'Amelio

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