



HOLY FAMILY HERALD

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Learning for Today, Preparing for Tomorrow.

From the Principal's Desk

As you are reading our Thursday newsletter I am participating in an online retreat on prayer. I will get to then bring this retreat to the staff next month. This is one of my favorite parts of my job! I love sharing faith with the staff, students and all of you! Thank you for the blessing of sharing your family and faith with us at Holy Family school. Here is a short prayer of blessing for Catholic schools to keep in mind.

All praise to You, heavenly Father,
Lord of all creation:
You have gathered us in this parish community to praise You by our words and works.
May our youth grow in wisdom, age, and grace before You and all Your people.
May this school always be a home of truth and wisdom, of faith and good will toward all.
Through the prayers of The Holy Family may this school help our community, and build Your kingdom of justice, light, and peace.
Amen.

Sincerely,
Ms. Thompson
sthompson@holymfamilylacey.com



Friday Sept 24th- **Early Release Day & Spirit Day**

11:30am pickup time- Preschool/TK/Kindergarten
11:50am-12:15pm flexible pickup time - 1st-8th Grade
* It's also SPIRIT DAY! Students may wear their red spirit tees (or a red tee) with their bottoms of choice (jeans are ok)

Friday October 15th- NO SCHOOL Staff Retreat

Wednesday October 20th- Picture Day!

Extended Care Reservations Week of 9/27:

📅 2021-2022 Extended Care Reservation Sept 27-Oct 1

Email: extendedcare@holymfamilylacey.com

🧑‍🤝‍🧑 COVID-19 Update 🧑‍🤝‍🧑

Thank you families for your continued support when it comes to determining when to keep your children home if they are ill. We understand that keeping your children home when they have mild symptoms can be an inconvenience, but it will help keep our entire school community healthy and will keep HFS open.

Current Guidelines:

1 or more Class A Symptoms: **CANNOT** go to school (fever, cough, loss of taste/smell, shortness of breath)

2 or more Class B Symptoms: **CANNOT** go to school (fatigue, headache, body aches, congestion/runny nose, nausea, diarrhea)

1 Class B Symptom: **CAN** go to school

Close Contact of a Positive Case: **CANNOT** go to school if unvaccinated, and must quarantine for 14 days.

Vaccinated individuals may be at school but must test 3-5 days after exposure.

** Have more questions? [CLICK HERE](#) to read the Thurston County PHSS chart for more info **

Parent Info

* **Friday Sept 24th - Early Release Day & Spirit Day**

All Parents (including Preschool): Please enter through the lower gate!

Preschool/TK/Kindergarten: *11:30am pickup time*

1st-8th Grade: *11:50am-12:15pm flexible pickup time*

* Students may wear their red spirit tees (or any red tee) with their bottoms of choice (jeans are ok)

WE ARE ORDERING MORE SPIRIT TEES SOON! PLEASE EMAIL THE OFFICE IF YOU WANT ONE!

* **Office Hours:** Please remember that the front office is closed daily from 2:45pm-3:45pm for dismissal.

* **Emergency Kits:** Please bring these in and give to your teacher

* **Teacher Contact Info:** [Go here!](#)

* **Photo Release Form:** Please fill out [this form](#) regarding photo release and sharing of information



Please be mindful of our Long Lake neighbors who graciously share the lower access road with us. **STAY TO THE RIGHT** when you are waiting in that driveway during drop-off and pick-up, so that any neighbors and/or emergency vehicles may pass on the **LEFT**. **ONLY** pull into our lower parking lot if you can **FULLY PULL IN AND NOT BLOCK THE ACCESS ROAD.**

Commitment Hour Opportunities!

NEW!--> Submit your hours online !

<https://www.holyfamilylacey.org/parent-resources/volunteer-hours/>

In need of volunteers for:

**** Morning Wellness Screeners**

We need reliable parents who can commit to volunteering in the morning from 7:30am-8:15am.

**** Recess duty** (AM and/or PM)

**** Extended Care subs** (AM and/or PM)

**** Substitute teachers** (non-HFS parents are also welcome! Bachelor's Degree required)

**** Room Parents** needed! [Sign up here](#)

All TK-8th grade families are required to fulfill **30 commitment hours** at school per year. (Preschool families 20 hours/year)

COVID UPDATE: Per the Governor and WA DOH, those wanting to volunteer in-person at school this year are required to show the school office proof of COVID vaccination or proof of exemption by October 18th. If you are not vaccinated, the office and teachers will offer you opportunities to fulfill your hours from home. Please report your hours monthly to the front office. Fill out a form in-person, or email hours to office@hollyfamilylacey.com

* All parent volunteers must take the free one hour [online course](#) by Virtus.

Parent Association Corner

Contact Courtney Woods at:
hfspa@hollyfamilylacey.com

1. We Still Need Room Parents for 3rd Grade Ms. Casey & 6th Grade

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FAAAB2EA6FCC43-room>

Responsibilities include:

-Support your teacher: with any weekly tasks they may need help with at school/at home; coordinate volunteers for class activities

-Communicate with class parents: represent class at monthly Parent Association meetings; point of contact between your class and the staff/PA

-Plan activities: holiday parties & other activities; organize class art project for spring benefit auction

2. Ski Swap Coming in October

Please donate any of your ski/snowboard equipment and clothing that your kids have outgrown or you are no longer using. Families who donate will be invited to shop first at the ski swap sale happening at HFS on October 15/16. Proceeds from the sale will fund a ski bus for HFS students. Please text or call Jane O'Sullivan at 360-918-2562 to arrange a donation drop-off time.

Sports & Extracurricular Corner

Music & Band: Our music and band teacher Ms. Lee is excited to announce a special virtual way to honor all veterans associated with Holy Family School! We are asking students to send in a picture of any veteran in their life. Pictures can be emailed to band@hollyfamilylacey.com (preferably) or physical pictures that we can scan in. Ms. Lee will compile them into a slideshow set to music that the students will be singing. And a couple of extra surprises to say thank you to all the Veterans! Please do not send in any pictures that are in expensive frames or are fragile. Of course we will do our best to handle with care but we wouldn't want to lose or have something treasured to end up damaged.

Are you a parent with a passion for a certain sport or club that you would like to volunteer with at HFS this year?

Examples from years past: Soccer Club, Track, Math Club, Chess Club & Basketball

Please email office@hollyfamilylacey.com if you are interested in starting a club or sport this year!

Fundraising Corner

SCRIP

Visit <https://shop.shopwithscrip.com/>

Download App

Create account & enter HFS Enrollment Code:
E84B299C113L7

Fred Meyer Rewards

Create a digital account at:

<https://www.fredmeyer.com/>

Sign in & link your Shopper's Card

Search for your charitable organization & click save

Amazon Smile

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