



HOLY FAMILY HERALD

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Learning for Today, Preparing for Tomorrow.

Principal's Corner

Dear HFS Families and Friends,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a fun and relaxing break. I am happy to be back and have enjoyed hearing from the kids about their time off. They sound like they had a great time!

The beginning of the calendar year brings many things with it, one of which is our Winter MAP testing. This window will be opening soon and we will be reaching out to let you know when your student(s) will be testing. Please try to make sure they are well rested and available on test days. January and February also bring us Catholic Schools Week where the students will be engaging in a week of some very fun activities. We will be sending out more information as this week draws nearer.

Once again, welcome back and thank you for your support of Catholic education and Holy Family School! God bless.

Mr. Kealy

Dates to Remember!

Jan. 11 - Mass at 11:00am

Jan. 15 - MLK, Jr. Day, NO SCHOOL

Jan. 23 - Prayer Service at 8:30am

Jan. 25 - New Alter Blessing at 11:00am

Jan. 28 - Catholic Schools Week begins with a Pancake Breakfast at Sacred Heart!

Parent Association Corner

Chipotle Dinner Fundraiser!

Please join us for our January food fundraiser at Chipotle! You can eat at the Pacific Ave near Sleater-Kinney location or order online for pickup using the code VNPDDRQ. Chipotle gives HFS **33% back of the total sales** which makes it the most generous food fundraiser options around. Please see the flier attached for more details.

When: January 24, 2024

Time: 4PM - 8PM

Where: Chipotle - 4002 Pacific Ave SE, Lacey near Sleater-Kinney.

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January Parent Association Meeting!

The Parent Association is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: January 2024 PA Meeting

Time: Jan 17, 2024 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73923507393?pwd=Q9R5oTH6iqIYEEbz4llawrCBef2e3J.1>

Meeting ID: 739 2350 7393

Passcode: kn0Z1F

Se habla Espanol?

Spanish classes will begin after school on Friday, January 12th from 3:30-4:30 and go through the end of the school year! These classes will be conducted by Vanesa Dalbec and are FREE! If you are interested in having your child participate, please contact the office for a permission slip.

Volleyball Clinic

We are offering a volleyball clinic! As a sports clinic, these practices are a time to grow or develop the skills involved in the game; it is not an official team where we play against other schools. Starting next week, January 10th, and every Wednesday (except the Wednesdays before a Thursday mass) moving forward, these volleyball practices will be from 3:30 to 5pm. It is open to boys and girls in 3rd grade through 5th grade. The permission form is attached at the end of the newsletter. This will be here all year, so if your child is trying to choose between this and one of our actual teams, please choose the school team!

January Holy Family Sports News

Happy New Year! What a great basketball season! We worked hard and persevered through this season! I am so proud of these boys! Our last game is next week at Grapeview on Wednesday 1/10 @ 3:30 pm. A huge Thank you to all the parents for driving and helping our team to be successful! Let's end this season with a celebration ceremony on Thursday 1/11 at 4pm. Please come and celebrate with a parent vs player game! Please bring treats, if possible! Thank you! Basketball players please turn in your basketball uniform to Mrs. Cash. Thank you. Parents - I am looking for an assistant coach for the girls basketball team. Please email me if you are interested. Calling all girls in 4th-8th grades to play basketball. No experience necessary. Practice will begin January 22- March 8th and will be on Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays. Parent drivers will be needed to transport players to games. If you have any questions email: Pcash@holyfamilylacey.com Go Holy Family! God Bless. Mrs. Cash

Cold Weather is on its way!

Even though our weather has been very mild lately, it looks like there may be some cold weather on the way. Please note that Holy Family follows the North Thurston Public Schools for any weather delays or closures. Please follow NTPS when the weather is cold, but understand that HFS will only have a 2 hour late start. If there is a late start, there will be no Preschool or Pre-K classes and school will begin at 10:10am. This information will also be posted on the HFS website and you will receive a phone call from the school as well.

In Today's Backpack Express Envelope!

Just the January Pizza menu/order form is in today's BPE. All orders for Grades k-8 will need to be turned in no later than Tuesday, January 9th, by noon. Thank you!

Faith in Action....January 4th

Happy 2024! Wishing all of you a very Happy, Healthy, & Blessed New Year.

A little trivia: Are you aware that the Christmas season in the Catholic church starts on Christmas Eve Vigil Masses and continues through January 8th, the Sunday mass celebrates the Epiphany. The Epiphany marks the arrival of the Three Kings or Wise Men. Many Catholics wait till after the Epiphany to take down their tree and other decorations.

Liturgical Events:

- **Rosary Zoom prayer services.....Tuesday the 9th, 16th & 23rd.**
- **Lunches for Homeless Shelter....Friday the 19th. 5th Grade will partner with 2nd grade. More info to follow for 5th grade parents.**
- **Blessing of new altar....Jan 25th. Event is only open to special guests and student body due to lack of space in gym.**

New Year's Prayer:

“ As the dawn breaks on a new year, let us give thanks for all we hold dear: our health, our family and our friends. Let us release our grudges, our anger and our pains, for these are nothing but binding chains. Let us live each day in the most loving ways, the God-conscious way!

Amen

Blessings & welcome back!

Ms. Ann Saunders

Liturgical Coordinator