



April 26, 2018

Dear Parents,

Our eighth grade students, parents and Dr. & Mrs. Raben are on their way to Chicago. We know they will have a great trip and hope the weather is good! They are in our prayers for a safe, enjoyable trip! They will return tomorrow evening.

Last Friday was the HCS Golf Scramble; it was a beautiful day to be out on the golf course. Thank you to all who organized, worked and/or participated in this year's tournament!

Empower Illinois is still open for families to apply for full and partial scholarships for next school year. HCS received an amazing anonymous donation for scholarships - \$75,000.00. We would like to use the entire donation; if your family income falls within any of the 3 categories, I am asking that you please apply for a scholarship. If you have questions, please contact me.

The end of the school year is quickly approaching. Please be sure to read the Holy Childhood School Tuition Policy found on page 9 of the parent/student handbook. Tuition, including all fees, (registration, technology, band and lunch) must be paid in full by the end of the quarter, May 21, 2018. Report cards will be unavailable (and for eighth grade students – diploma will be withheld as well) if all financial obligations are not met. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Holy Childhood of Jesus School is looking for two new school board members. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this board which works with our pastor and principal to guide the school. Any adult parishioner or school parent is eligible. In order to become a candidate for election to the board, you must complete a nomination form and return it to the school office by May 8. Information on the candidates will be published in the school News and Notes on May 10 and the church bulletin the weekend of May 12 and 13. The election will be held after Masses on the weekend of May 19 and 20. Nomination forms may be requested by calling the school office.

Thank you to each parent who completed the parent survey. If you have not yet done so, would you please complete it by Monday? Thank you.

Through the Diocesan Health Insurance, we applied for and received a grant to purchase a "Hydration Station". The new drinking fountain has been installed in the lobby. This drinking fountain also has a bottle fill station.

Blessings,

Claudia J. Dougherty, M.A., Ed.S.  
Principal

## Calendar

Friday, April 27	8 <sup>th</sup> grade field trip – Chicago
Thursday, May 3	Grades 1 & 8 field trip – Grants Farm HOPE meeting 6:30 in cafeteria. Babysitting is available
Friday, May 4	Kindergarten Mother's Mass Confirmation Practice 6:30
Saturday, May 5	Confirmation 4:00
Tuesday, May 8	Last day for 3 year old preschool
Wednesday, May 9	Last day for 4 year old Prekindergarten
Thursday, May 10	Athletic Banquet Out of uniform – for \$1.00 donation, your child may wear sports jersey
Friday, May 11	School Picnic Last day for kindergarten and 8 <sup>th</sup> grade
Sunday, May 13	Graduation 2:00 Mass

**H.O.P.E.** is in need of two new officers for the 2018-2019 school year. If you are interested in taking on the role of secretary or treasurer beginning in May, please let Shelby Brennan know. [Shlbybrennan@yahoo.com](mailto:Shlbybrennan@yahoo.com)

Join us for our Shipwrecked VBS June 25- 29 from 8:45-Noon! Cost is \$15 for a t-shirt, music CD, snacks, games and crafts. The deadline to register is June 4 for a t-shirt. Registration continues until June 17 . Walk-up registrations are accepted (space permitting) on for \$20. Registration and volunteer forms are available at Holy Childhood Church. You can also register at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/mascoutahvbs2018>. To attend, children must be 4 by Sept. 1 up to completed 5th grade. If you have any registration questions, please contact VBS registration coordinator, Jody Wozniak Cozzi (618) 509-0027 or Jiyeon Schroeder (618) 567-9076. Volunteers (6th grade through adult) are especially needed! Please join us for a fun and faith-filled week!

Request for Pictures:

Attention parents! We would like to compile pictures of our HCS kids doing what they love (class parties, sports, youth ministry, community events or any HCS activity). Pictures will be used to further develop Holy Childhood School marketing opportunities (website, local paper, FB etc) and for the production of the 2017-2018 yearbook. Please email pictures to [holychildpictures@gmail.com](mailto:holychildpictures@gmail.com). This is a password protected email account and photos will be reviewed/approved prior to use. Please clearly describe the event/class in the SUBJECT LINE ex. "5th Gr Girls BBall tourney", "6th Gr STEM projects", "2nd Gr Recess Fun", "Youth Ministry Kick-off event", "Feeding God's People, Dec"

## **REMINDER FROM THE NURSE**

All Illinois children in kindergarten, grade 2, and grade 6 are required to have an oral health examination.

- This is required for all public, private, and parochial schools.
- Examinations must be performed by a licensed dentist, and he/she must sign the Proof of School Dental Examination form.
- Each child is required to present proof of examination by a dentist prior to May 15 of the school year.

**Library news: As spring/summer arrives, please consider donating out-grown toys and books to the HCS library. Items can be left in the office through May. THANK YOU!!**

**Last day to check out books: May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**All books due: May 15<sup>th</sup>**