



March 4, 2021

Dear Parents,

The warm sunny days are wonderful!! We have been enjoying outdoor recess and Mr. Cook is taking his p.e. classes outside as well! Hopefully Spring is here to stay! Even if it is chilly, we will go outside for recess. Students may need a jacket on chilly days for outside recess.

Registration forms for the 2021-22 school year were sent home several weeks ago. Thank you to those parents who have returned their registration forms. As we begin planning for the 2021-22 school year, returning your registration form is necessary for planning. If you will be enrolling a student new to Holy Childhood School, or preschool and need registration forms, please call Mrs. Elmore and she will send them to you. Also, please share the good news about a Holy Childhood School education with your friends considering a Catholic-Christian education. Our “virtual tour” video is posted to the school website at www.holychildhoodschool.com.

In today’s newsletter, you will find the Registration and Tuition schedule for the 2021-2022 school year. You may remember that in the current year (due to the COVID pandemic) all salaries and tuition rates were frozen. For the 2021-22 school year, faculty and staff will receive a salary increase in accordance with Diocesan policy; teachers are paid according to the Diocesan salary scale. Diocesan policy states: “the salary increase for the 2021-2022 school year shall be accompanied by a corresponding increase in tuition to cover the additional expenses of the increase.” If you have questions or concerns about tuition, please contact me.

Our students continue to pray the Stations of the Cross on Tuesday/Thursday following Mass. These are live streamed if you wish to join us. Students in grades 3-8 will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to Easter. Father Paul will come to school for this sacrament.

The Safe and Sacred program will begin next week. We are still missing several parent permission slips and we need these prior to the class. An email was sent this morning to anyone who has not yet returned the permission slip.

We have posted several open positions on the Diocesan Website – Part time Music/Band, Part time Computer and Part time Nurse. If you know anyone who might be interested in these positions, please have them contact me or check the website at www.diobelle.org for more information.

We received a check for \$44.51 from the Coca-Cola GIVE program. Thank you to those who purchased Coca-Cola products under this program!

We have just a few weeks left before the deadline to meet our Invest in Kids Act-Empower Scholarship matching donation. Holy Childhood School has been blessed with an anonymous

\$30,000.00 donation; this dollar-for-dollar match expires on March 31. To date, we have \$16,500.00 pledged. Please help us reach our goal! Anyone who has Illinois income tax liability is asked to consider helping us reach our goal.

Blessings,

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

Calendar:

Wed. March 10	Spring Photos
Friday, March 12	11:30 Dismissal - there is bus service – Faculty Professional Development End of 3 rd quarter
Monday, March 15	First Reconciliation for Second grade students
Friday, March 19	Spirit wear day – wear blue/yellow or HCS spirit wear
Thursday, March 25	Report cards available on Option C
Wed, March 31	Living Stations – 1:00 p.m. (will be live streamed from church)

News from HOPE

"There is just 1 week left in the HOPE Cash raffle! So far, we have raised 72% of our goal, so THANK YOU to the families that have sold tickets! There are still 6 chances left to win- if you have not yet bought/sold a ticket, it is NOT too late!"

Spring Photos

Spring Photos will be taken on Wednesday, March 10. The photographer will use white screen and you will be sent the proofs for your choice of purchase. Preschool 3 year old students are invited to come for pictures March 10 sometime between 8-11. The photographer will work you in and then you may leave.

News from the NURSE

Dear Parents of grades Kindergarten, 2nd , and 6th

Just sending out a reminder, as the year is flying quickly, be sure to get your child scheduled for their dental appointments. It is a State of Illinois requirement and the form will be due in May of 2021. If your child has a current one on file, as they are good for 18 months, no further action is needed. Appointments will still be hard to obtain due to the pandemic, so please schedule early. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

SCRIPS

Scrips gift cards may be purchased in the school office.