



November 19, 2020

Dear Parents,

Can you believe next week is Thanksgiving? Even in these unsettled times, we have much to be thankful for! On behalf of the faculty and staff, thank you parents for sharing your children with us! They are a blessing and we are grateful to have them in class each day. Thanksgiving vacation begins on Tuesday at 11:30. Dismissal is 11:30 and there is no afternoon bus on Tuesday. Please enjoy Thanksgiving!

Thank you for your continued support with all the rules and protocols we follow to keep our children safe. You must register your child using the Miinehealth app daily, and it would be very helpful if you log in before 7:30 a.m. Children who are not registered through Miinehealth will need to go through the COVID screening with me before entering the building which slows down the carpool line. As we move into cold and flu season on top of COVID, students are coming to the office with complaints and symptoms. They will be sent home. We are erring on the side of caution in all cases for their return to school. Our goal is to keep every person in the building (students, teachers, and staff) as safe as possible. Your help is needed to meet this goal!

Thank you to all who have so generously donated to Mary's Meals. Your generosity is a blessing to the children who will receive nutritious meals! It costs only \$21 to feed a child for a year in some of these very poor countries. If you would still like to donate, please send your donation to school in an envelope marked "Mary's Meals" no later than December 1. Checks may be made payable to Holy Childhood School. We will send our gift to Mary's Meals organization December 4th. Please visit the website marysmeals.org and YouTube for videos about the work of this organization.

The Holy Childhood Council of the Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a Keep Christ In Christmas Poster contest. Participating students from HCS and PSR may create a poster supporting the Keep Christ in Christmas theme that displays the slogan, visual message, and overall impact. The KCs will award a \$30, 1st prize and \$20, 2nd prize in each age category. Posters must be turned in by December 4. The age categories are 5-7, 8-10 and 11-14 as of November 1, 2020. Paper is provided by the KCs.

The Scholastic Book Fair has begun. This year, the fair is completely on-line and information is listed in this newsletter.

Tonight is Family Reading Night in Illinois. Please take some time to read with your child/children.

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

Calendar:

Monday, Nov. 30	Book Fair – On-Line sales (additional information in next week’s N&N)
Friday, Nov. 20	Spirit Wear Day
Tuesday, Nov. 24	11:30 dismissal – begin Thanksgiving Vacation – NO AFTERNOON BUS SERVICE; NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE
Wed. Nov. 25 thru	
Sunday Nov. 29	Thanksgiving Vacation
Monday, Nov. 30	Classes resume

Reading Time Machine

Holy Childhood School’s annual **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming!! The book fair will be held **ONLINE** this year from November 18- December 1. **FREE SHIPPING** on book orders \$25 or more!! Help support the HCS Library and get a jump on your Christmas shopping. **Reading can take you anywhere!!**

<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/holychildhoodschool>

Jr. Beta is helping the Moose Lodge collect toys for local families from December 7 – 17. Please bring your donation of a **NEW** toy to school, ages toddler to teen. Thank you for your support!