

September 21, 2017

Dear Parents,

Next week is TESTING week! Iowa Assessments will be administered to all students in grades 2-8. These assessments are very useful to evaluate a student's growth, strengths, weaknesses and areas that we can work for improvement. Please stress to your child the importance of doing his/her best on each section of the test as it will give a picture of his/her strengths and areas for improvement. Please help your child "test well" by getting good sleep each night, a nutritious breakfast and encourage him/her to do their best.

Father Paul will bless all pets on Tuesday, October 3 at 2:45. Please bring your pet to school at 2:45 if you would like it to be blessed. We will meet at the flag pole. If the weather is inclement, the blessing will be cancelled.

HOPE sponsors the Magazine Sale as their major fundraiser. Due to the late arrival of the packets, the sale has been extended to September 22. Please return all magazine orders tomorrow.

It has been a custom at Holy Childhood School that any parent/family who wishes to do so donates money that is given to our Pastor and Associate Pastor for birthday and Christmas gifts. If you would like to donate money to this gift, would you please send it to school with your child in an envelope marked "Priests' gifts"? I know both Father Paul and Father Jerry do not expect anything, but are grateful for the gifts they receive.

Today was spirit wear day and Feeding God's People sandwich making day. Thank you parents for your generous donations and support of this program. Thank you also to those parents who could share time and help make sandwiches! This morning we made 719 sandwiches. Our total for the year is 1,211.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with cafeteria and recess supervision. If you have a few hours to spend once a week or once a month, we welcome your help. Volunteers do need to be in full compliance with Child Protection components. In the coming weeks, there will be an initial meeting for Child Protection at Holy Childhood School/Parish. If you still need to attend an initial meeting, this one might be on a date that is convenient. I will share the date as soon as it is scheduled.

The Dinner Auction is just around the corner. Have you made plans to attend? There are many wonderful items to bid on, good food, great company and FUN. Make plans to be here on October 14th!

Blessings,

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

Calendar:

Friday, Sept. 22 Kindergarten and 1st grade – field trip

Monday-Friday

Sept. 25-29 ITBS testing grades 2-8

Tuesday, Oct. 3 Pet Blessing 2:45 at the flag pole

Thursday, Oct. 5 HOPE meeting 6:30 (Babysitting available) Friday, Oct. 6 No School – Diocesan Teacher Convention

Monday, Oct. 9 No School – Columbus Day

Tuesday, Oct. 10 Make Up Picture Day Friday, Oct 13 End of First Quarter Saturday, Oct. 14 Dinner Auction

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Gift cards may be purchased in the school office Monday thru Friday. Cards will also be sold in the Gathering Space after all weekend Masses. Purchasing gift cards is a great way to support Holy Childhood School! Thank you!

Dinner Auction is just around the corner! Sweet Tooth Booth is asking for extra dishes to wrap desserts. Any size would be great! Please leave the dishes in the Preschool room (Jody Cozzi's room) or in the box at church in the gathering space near Harltein Hall. Thank you for your continued generosity!

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