



September 15, 2016

Dear Parents,

The school year is in full swing and we are already distributing Progress Reports for the first quarter. Students in grades 1-8 receive reports at this time. Please review your child's report; there is still plenty of time to make changes, if needed.

Iowa Assessments will be administered to all students in grades 2-8 the week of September 26. These assessments are very useful to evaluate a student's growth, strengths, weaknesses and areas that we can work to improve. Please help your child "test well" by getting good sleep each night, a nutritious breakfast and encouragement to do their best.

School pictures are next week - Monday, September 19 Preschool 4 year olds and Tuesday, September 20, Preschool 3 year olds and grades Kindergarten thru 8. Students may dress out of uniform on their individual picture day. All ordering will be available on-line this year (no forms to return to school). Information was sent via email yesterday. If you did not receive the email, please log on to:
<http://orders.tssphotography.com/QPPlus/Packages.aspx>

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.

Next Friday is the first monthly BOX TOP turn in. The class with highest number of Box Tops will have an out of uniform day. **Save Box Tops and ask your neighbors and relatives to save too!!**

This morning, we made 940 sandwiches for the St. Vincent DePaul's "Feeding God's People Program". Thank you parents, teachers and students for your donation and hard work! WOW!

If you plan to volunteer in the school, on field trips, coaching, or in any other capacity, you must complete all components of the Child Protection Policy. Please contact the school office if you are in doubt of your compliance.

Magazine Sales have begun! Final day to return magazine orders is Tuesday, September 20.

Mark your calendar for Tuesday October 4 and support McTeacher Night at the Mascoutah McDonalds. HCS will receive a percentage of all sales made between 4-8 p.m. Last year we raised \$805.00. How much can we raise this year? Tell your friends, neighbors and family to dine in, carry out or drive thru and support HCS!

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

Calendar:

Monday, Sept 19	PreK 4 year old pictures, groups and class pictures
Tuesday, Sept 20	Preschool 3 year old, kindergarten thru grade 8 pictures Magazine Sales – final return date
Wednesday, Sept 21	School Spirit store open 7:40-8:15a.m.
Friday, Sept 23	Box Tops turn in
Mon-Fri, Sept 26-30	ITBS Assessments (grades 2-8)

SCRIPS

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

Save the Date - HCS Mardi Gras Dinner Auction; Saturday, October 15th. HCS Gym - tickets \$35. Contact Christi Mugele for questions: (618) 530-5121 and Debbie Hulliung for tickets dhulliung@yahoo.com or 566-4196.

*Mark your calendars for the 2016-2017 Youth Ministry Kick-off Friday,
Sept. 16 at 6:00pm*

This year's Edge (5-8 gr. boys and girls) Little Flowers (K-4 girls), and Blue Knights (K-4 boys) clubs will have a family potluck as part of the kick-off. Please **RSVP** to Ronda Beck call 566-3034 (home phone) or email dabex97@gmail.com **by Sept. 13** with the number of people from your family who will be attending the potluck or if you have any questions. Parents are encouraged to stay – toddlers and babies are welcome!

If your last name begins with A-J please bring a salad to share, K-S bring a side dish, and T-Z bring dessert, meat and drinks will be provided.

If you want to learn more about these youth ministries visit the school's website under 'Clubs/Organizations'. If your child is interested in joining, print off the appropriate registration form to the organization your child wants to join, and fill it out and return it to the appropriate leader through the school or at the meeting with the registration fee **NLT FRIDAY, Sept. 16.**

Looking forward to another year of growing in our faith through fun, fellowship and food!:)

Apache Book Ads

Apache Book Ads will be accepted through Friday, September 30th. Show your support for HCS Athletics by signing up to be a Booster or placing an ad in the Apache Book for your athlete. For more information, see the attached flyer.