



Week 9 Newsletter
October 26, 2022



Principal Message

Greetings Holy Family,

In my previous experience of teaching and leadership within Catholic schools I was blessed to work with art specialist teacher colleagues who taught art to the entire school. I have never considered myself artistic, so this was a gift I never took for granted! These specialist teachers could inspire the most amazing artwork from students. When I learned early on that our school didn't have an art teacher position I wondered how our

students would engage with art. Then I learned that the teachers managed their own art instruction and my heart was filled with compassion for our teachers, because I knew that I would be challenged by this task as a teacher.

BLOW ME AWAY why don't you! Holy Family School has found an amazing set of educators who are not just great at academic instruction, but who are also *amazing artists* in their own right. What I would have considered a burden, our teachers shine with pride. Week after week our students produce beautiful artwork in their classrooms, and our teachers show it off for all to see in our hallway and within the rooms. When you come for conferences in a few weeks be sure to reflect and admire the awesome artistry our students are producing and THANK THE AWESOME EDUCATORS who intentionally provide guidance and inspiration for these products and all academic pursuits.

We are so blessed to have our teachers. They impress me everyday, and I thank God daily for placing me here to serve them and our community.

Peace and blessings to you,
Mrs. Day

Upcoming Events

Check out our calendar for October. Here are a few highlights for the next few weeks:

- Oct. 26 - Trick or Trunk (evening event)
- Oct. 27 - School Liturgy (5th grade hosting)
- Oct. 31 - Halloween classroom parties
- Nov. 1 - All Saints Day Mass (4th grade hosting)
- Nov. 4 - Free Dress with Food Drive
- Nov. 10 - End of 1st Trimester
- Nov. 10 - Veterans Day Celebration 1:15 PM

School Announcements:

HALLOWEEN FUN!!!!!!

Join the fun this Halloween season with these two activities:

1. ASB is hosting a **Pumpkin Contest**. To participate, sign up with the attached form, get a pumpkin, decorate it, and then bring it to school. There are great prizes for our winners!
2. Our middle school Space Camp families are hosting a **Halloween Gift Basket raffle!** To participate, fill out and return the attached form to order tickets, check out the basket in the school hallway, and then listen for the winner(s) at morning assembly on Halloween morning. All proceeds of the raffle will go toward the Space Camp fund.
3. Monday, October 31st we will be celebrating Halloween, each class has scheduled their own activities. The theme for the day is Orange, Purple and Black. This means Orange, Purple, or Black clothing please **no hair color, face paint or nail polish**. Please wear appropriate footwear for the school day. **Please no Halloween costumes or masks**. If you have any questions regarding what appropriate attire would be, please contact the school office.

Special Thanksgiving and Christmas Project

During the weeks before Thanksgiving and leading up to Christmas, we will take part in a special outreach program in our community, collecting food and hygiene items for the needy. We plan to have a theme each week for our food drive. The drive will begin next week with "Boxed Items" such as CEREALS, PASTA, BEANS, RICE, ETC. Please make sure food items are not past the expiration dates. Without our help St. Vincent de Paul would not be able to service the needy families in our community. A special service project calendar is enclosed in your envelope today, so you can plan for each weekly theme.

End of Trimester - Coming Soon

Believe it or not, there are literally only 11 more school days remaining in our first trimester. The teachers and I will be reviewing expectations around report cards and conferences at our staff meeting today, so news about how to engage with these two upcoming items will be shared with you all soon.

Veterans' Day

We are just two weeks away from our annual Veterans Day Celebration. Our 2nd grade and the music/band department have been preparing the grand event. Please share the attached invitation with the beloved Veterans in your lives in the hopes that they may be able to join us and be thanked for their service. Mark your calendars for Nov. 10th @ 1:15 PM.

Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Fulcrum Grant

The Archdiocesan Fulcrum tuition assistance grant application forms were available as of October 1st. I encourage you to apply for this important "scholarship". The funds for this tuition assistance grant come from extensive fundraising done at the Archdiocesan level and are awarded based on financial need.

Applications may be filled out at www.fulcrumfoundation.org/grant-and-programs/tuition-assistance there is a non refundable **\$35.00 application fee** this school year. Scroll down the screen and look for Tuition Assistance Grants, click the "red" Apply button. The Fulcrum Foundation website says that the due date is January 6, 2023, however, Holy Family Auburn **APPLICATIONS ARE DUE THIS YEAR BY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022.**

Basketball

Holy Family School traditionally partners with our local YMCA for basketball. We will have information about registration in the near future. This means we will be looking for coaches!

Parent Club News

Parent Club still has open positions: Vice President and Fundraiser Coordinator (for the 3rd event). If looking for more Parent Club information, please email Melissa Patrick at memamo77@msn.com.

Trick or Trunk: **TONIGHT!!!!**

Trick or Trunk is tonight. The gate off the parish parking lot will open at 5:00 PM for event set-up and will close when the **event begins at 6:30 PM**. If you signed up to decorate your trunk and pass out candy you are invited to arrive within this window to stage your vehicle. All other participants are encouraged to park in the lot or along the street. The gate will open again at the **end of the event, 8:00 PM**, and the lot must be empty by 8:30 for the gate to be closed and locked for the night.

Questions? Contact Kimberly Ledyard at 253-740-4085 or rk.ledyard@gmail.com.

We have 19 cars signed up for this celebration, and we can't wait to have everyone on campus tonight to enjoy the fun. **DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR COSTUME!** 😊

HFS Pizza Lunch Program

Our pizza lunch program is wildly popular among our students, thank you to everyone who is participating in this weekly event. Thank you to the families that signed up to help out each week. There are just a couple more serving spots open in December, so check out this sign-up one more time to see if you are able to close up the gaps:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d48afae22a0fa7-hfspizza>

Calling all the Moms - Let's Play BUNCO!

Are you feeling a bit disconnected from the other Mom's at HFS? This is OUR chance to get back in the school to socialize at the first ever HFS Mom's Bunco Night Out event! If you've never played the dice game Bunco, don't worry, we'll run you through how to play the night of the event, it is very simple ([check out this video](#)). Do you know any families whose kids may benefit from switching schools? Invite that mom to join you! This is our opportunity to share the awesomeness of our sweet Holy Family School with someone who may not even know they need to make a school switch. For every non-HFS mom you bring, you'll be given a raffle ticket and the chance to win a special prize! We will also have additional raffle items at the event.

Our Ladies Bunco Night is scheduled for **November 19th from 6-9 PM**. Be sure to RSVP ahead of time, as space is limited. Hope to see you there!

Development Office Updates

Auction Procurement Deadline - November 28

See the attached auction flyer for all the details you need to know about supporting our school auction. All procurement items are due in just one month. Don't delay, get your items in now to avoid the rush as the deadline approaches.

SAVE THE DATE

Today you will also receive your Save the Day postcard. I hope that you are excited to attend our auction this year and already have it marked on your calendar. If you've never attended the auction, consider joining us this year.

Enclosures/Attachments

- November Calendar
- Service Project Calendar
- ASB Pumpkin Contest
- Space Camp Halloween Ticket Order form
- Veterans Day Invitation
- Auction flyer
- Parent Club Bunco Sign Up
- SCRIP Order Form
- Parent Club Commitment Hours Log for October
- Cubs Scouts flyer