

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL
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*Holy Family School, as part of Holy Family Parish community,
educates and inspires students to grow in faith,
to demonstrate academic excellence, and to model Christian citizenship.*

January 9, 2019

Dear Parents,

Psalm 145: 3 Great is the Lord and worthy of much praise, whose grandeur is beyond all understanding.

Thank you: There are so many thank yous for our school/parish community. First, thank you parents who keep the staff well supplied in December with holiday chocolates and treats (the food was always gone!), thank you for all the wonderful Christmas gifts, cards, well wishes, and for being such great families. Thank you to the volunteers who helped take out and put back the science lab tables and furniture over the break. Especially thank you for the Trinh family for donating time and talent by installing the new flooring in the science lab. It looks great.

Friday, January 18, is a non attendance day. No school for the students. This is an accreditation follow up day for teachers.

Accreditation News: Our accreditation visit is next week. *WCEA, Western Catholic Educational Association, is a private educational accreditation agency for Catholic elementary and secondary schools in 10 Western United States. The specific purpose of WCEA is to coordinate the accreditation process by assisting schools in their self-evaluative programs, to establish general standards for excellence in Catholic schools.* www.wcea.org.

Monday through Wednesday we will have 5 team members visiting our school. They will be visiting classrooms, meeting with the teachers, students, Father Roy and some parish members. If you are on campus and see visitors please welcome them and say hi. We will find our ratings on evidence of our faith formation and educational excellence on Wednesday afternoon. **We ask for prayers for our success and guidance for the continued call to offer a Catholic education for our school.**

March for Life: The annual March for Life in Olympia is January 22. Any student who attends the march with their parents is excused from school that day. Check the parish bulletin for buses serving 5 parishes in the area. Please let the school know if you are planning to take your child/children to the event.

Upcoming important dates:

- Free dress Friday, bring a can of food
- Accreditation visit, January 14-16
- Principal/pastor meeting January 17
- **MAP** testing 1/17 through 2/7
- Reconciliation workshop January 19, 9:00 to noon
- No school Friday, January 18 for students (accreditation follow up); no school Monday, January 21, MLK Jr. Holiday
- **CSW** - January 27-February 1, The theme for the National Catholic Schools Week 2019 is “*Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed.*” Monday is parent appreciation; Tuesday breakfast for parish staff & special guests 7:30am and open house tours, 9:00am-11:00 and again in the afternoon 1:00pm-2:00pm; Wednesday faculty appreciation day; Thursday Student appreciation day/parent picnic (11:35 pm lunch); and Friday is grandparents/special person day, arrive at 10:30, student program at 11am, and a noon dismissal.

May God bless you and your family,

Michele Corey, Principal Holy Family School