

Week 17 Newsletter January 4, 2023



Congratulations to our December Student of the Month recipients

Principal Message

Greetings Holy Family,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you. I trust that you all had an enjoyable Christmas break, and we are so happy to have you back to school for the 2023 portion of our school year.

On New Year's Eve our Church experienced the loss of Pope Emeritus, Benedict XVI. I was reminded this week of a quote from his inaugural homily as pope: "Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary." It speaks to our individual specialness and God's intentional creation of every human person. Each of us matters, has a purpose, and are loved by God. Through his papacy he lived these words in how he led our church. I pray that we all work to follow his example to do

the good work of living our faith and achieving the purpose which God has given us. Tomorrow will be the funeral mass for Benedict, we will take time at school to remember him, and I encourage you to remember him through prayer as a family at home.

God bless you all, Mrs. Day

Upcoming Events

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

- Jan. 6 1st Friday Free Dress and Food Drive
- Jan. 9 Winter MAP Testing Window Opens
- Jan. 11 Parent Club Meeting
- Jan. 12 School Mass (8th grade hosting)

School Announcements:

Free Dress

The students may have free dress on Friday, January 6th. Please assist your child in selecting appropriate attire.

We will again be collecting food for St. Vincent de Paul on Friday Free Dress. Please bring a can or two! St. Vincent de Paul is very grateful for our school's donations to help feed the needy in our local area.

HFS Auburn night at Red Robin Auburn Collection Location

On January 18th there will be a HFS Auburn Space Camp fundraiser at the Auburn Collection Red Robin. Twenty percent (20%) of all food sales between 5-9pm, dine-in or take-out, where you tell Red Robin you are with Holy Family School will count. Friends and family can do this too! It will be a great opportunity to eat dinner with other HFS families/friends while raising money for our 7th & 8th graders going to Space Camp in Huntsville, AL at the end of April. Be sure and mark January 18th on your calendar today!

SLE Focus for the Month of January

This month we will elevate the SLE of becoming **Engaged Learners who** "Participate in the liberal and fine arts", or, in more relatable terms, we are striving to <u>Participate in art and music.</u> With how well our students excel at this one, it may be hard to pick a recipient for an award at the end of the month.

Calling all Artists - Help us Design a Cover for our Yearbook

Please see the attached flyer on how your child can submit a design for the cover of our 2022-2023 Yearbook. All students are invited to submit an entry. We have extended the deadline to Friday, January 13th. Thank you to those students who have already submitted an entry!

SchoolAdmin is Coming in the New Year

Starting with the 2023-2024 school year we will be utilizing the SchoolAdmin web platform for re-enrollment. Families will receive an email to set up their profile the week of the 15th. A preview will be shared at the January Parent Club meeting, please plan to attend and learn about this new system.

2023-2024 Registration

Enclosed in today's envelope is a form to help us in the registration process. It helps us know who is returning so we can project space availability at Open House and also helps in projecting our budget for next year. Please return this form by Friday, January 6, 2023 so our projections will be as accurate as possible. We also need to know about any younger siblings who will be in Pre-K or Kindergarten next year. Thank you!

Congratulations to Us!

I got word from our friends at the Fulcrum Foundation that they have awarded us our full grant that we requested back in October! The grant request included improvements in the following areas: an additional door buzzer for the west entrance, two-way radios for all staff to facilitate easy communication when out of the classroom, repairs/replacement to our intercom system, and new computer processing units for our computer lab.

I have already reached out to our vendors to get them going on these improvements and I will keep you posted about the scheduled work.

GOD IS GOOD! 🩌

Photos - Christmas Program & Basketball

Please share any photos you took during our Christmas Program last month or at any HFS basketball games/practices. Simply send them as an attachment to us at photos@hfsauburn.com. In your message, include your grade level and at which event the pictures were taken. We hope to include some of your submissions in our yearbook.

December Students of the Month

December Students of the Month are **Engaged Learners who** "Use technology to research, produce and present a project", or, in more relatable terms, we are striving to <u>Learn to use technology</u>.

Pre K Ellen Ho

Grade Two Jackson Zaugg

Grade Three Elsa Chaidas & Donatello Han
Grade Four Clara Bero & Brayden Hungerford
Grade Five Tanner Halverson & Amelia Wilder

Grade Six Erin Harding & Rachael Jun

Grade Seven Elena Buitrago & Roman Leskovar Grade Eight Mason Foster & Taylor Kurth

Catholic Schools Week is coming soon - Jan. 28-Feb. 4

More information about the festivities of this annual celebration of Catholic education will come out soon. The Office of Catholic Schools has partnered with Seattle University to create a fun, family event for the week.

On February 1, 2023, join Catholic School families across Western Washington & cheer on the Redhawks! Bring your school friends, wear your school swag & get ready for an interactive evening celebrating Catholic Schools Week.

See the attached flyer for information on how to join the event.

Parent Club News

January Meeting - all are invited to attend

Our monthly meeting is coming up next week on January 11th at 6:30 PM. The zoom link and topics of discussion will be included in next week's newsletter.

Development Update

Help Stuff Annual Campaign Letters

If you are interested in folding letters, stuffing the envelopes and sealing the envelopes for the Annual Campaign, please send an email to gkurth@hfsauburn.com. Approximately 10 people will be needed and spots will be handed out on a first come basis. Please note only one spot per family.

Enclosures/Attachments

In-House Intent to Return Form 2023-2024 Yearbook Cover Art Contest CSW Redhawks game invite SCRIP News SCRIP Order Form HF Parish January Calendar