



Week 10 Newsletter
November 2, 2022



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Principal Message
Greetings Holy Family,

Happy November to all of you. This month we have many things to celebrate. Yesterday our 4th grade class sponsored an All Saints Day mass, next week our 2nd graders will sponsor our annual Veterans Day Celebration, and in eight days we will close our first trimester of our school year. Shortly after that all families will join us for fall conferences just before Thanksgiving. It is a month of gratitude for sure!

This morning we awarded our October students of the month for exemplifying the SLEs last month. In November we are zooming in on becoming **Engaged Learners who** “*Have knowledge of basic academic subjects*” and who “*Demonstrate the ability to problem solve and make independent decisions using reflective and critical thinking skills*” In more relatable terms, we are striving to Learn one new thing each day and Use strategies to problem solve. These SLEs at this time help our students to reflect on their learning at the end of a trimester and set academic goals for the next trimester. Inquire about our SLEs at home to support your child’s growth over the month.

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:

- Nov. 4 - Free Dress with Food Drive
- Nov. 10 - End of 1st Trimester
- Nov. 10 - Veterans Day Celebration 1:15 PM
- Nov. 11 - No School

School Announcements:

October Students of the Month

The October students of the month are students who make Christian moral choices that reflect self-respect and diversity of others. *Treat all with Kindness and Respect.*

Pre K	Margaret Torretta & Katherine Sebastian
Kindergarten	Avery Plakstis
First Grade	Addilyn Sander & Mary Buitrago
Second Grade	Chelsea Bemis
Third Grade	Poppy Moutzouris & Charles Butz
Fourth Grade	Mariajose Landin-Padilla
Fifth Grade	Jubilee de Jesus & Kellen Harding
Sixth Grade	Jasmine Brown
Seventh Grade	Josh Ocana & David Mitchell
Eighth Grade	Olive Atkinson & Buggy Teodoro

Veterans Day

Next week we are excited to present the 2022 annual Veterans Day Celebration. Our 2nd grade and the music/band department have been preparing the grand event. Each class will be highlighted with a piece of music and our band will be playing as well. We hope to see many families and beloved veterans in attendance.

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 in the Church.**

Music and Band

Mr. Sharma has been a welcome addition to our school community. He is solely responsible for all music, choral, and band instruction in addition to preparing for all liturgical music and special events. I hope that your children are coming home singing their songs, practicing their instruments, and sharing their stories from these special classes.

The music/band program is ramping up for a busy holiday season. Next week's Veterans Day Celebration will be the debut of this year's band students and the first time for some of our classes to lead in singing. Please plan to join us in these upcoming events to see our talented musicians shine: Veterans Day 11/10, Band Concert 11/17, Christmas Program 12/15.

End of Trimester - Conferences Coming Soon

Next week will mark the end of the trimester. Teachers will spend some time after that intentionally preparing report cards and conferences. All families are expected to attend our fall Parent-Teacher conferences. This year our conferences are scheduled for **Nov. 21st from 3:30-6** and **Nov. 22nd from 9:00-6:00**. Conferences will be held **in person** in your child's classroom or other designated location. Teachers will be sharing their SignUp genius pages with you in their next newsletters, and we will provide all links via this newsletter next week.

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. This week's theme is Baking items such as: *flour, sugar, muffin mixes, Bisquick 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.

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.**

Photos

This past week we had some community events, and we don't want to miss a moment of the fun. If you have attended any Holy Family School events in the past nine weeks and have taken photos, please consider sharing those with 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.

Technology Donation - Pick-up Help Needed

During our MAP testing sessions it occurred to me that our technology lab needs some updating. As I was researching pathways to bring our computers up-to-date, an email came through from the Office for Catholic

Schools of a company in Seattle willing to donate monitors to our schools. We have been blessed to be the recipients of 30 new-to-us 24" Dell computer monitors and 15 dual mounting arms.

We are to pick them up ourselves from the company up in Seattle, and we need help from a parent. If you have flexibility in your schedule to assist with this task during the week of Nov. 14th, please email Mrs. Day.

Late Arrivals

For the safety of our students and families, children must be accompanied by an adult to the main glass doors if they arrive late to school. Students are not to walk on their own through the gates or to the glass doors. The carpool lane is open from 8:00-8:20, arriving at school after that will require families to park and walk their children to the main entrance.

Parent Club News

Our next Parent Club meeting is scheduled for **Nov. 16th**. Please plan to attend this meeting either in person or via zoom.

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.

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!

Trick or Trunk: [Thank you](#) 😊

Trick or Trunk was a fun evening! Thank you to all the families who sponsored a trunk, to our partners at the Parish who organized the games, and to all students and families who joined us to make this a memorable event. If you took pictures that night please share them to our school photos account: photos@hfsauburn.com.

Extra thanks to Kimberly Ledyard who organized and managed the parking lot side of this event. Your leadership and organization helped to make this event spookily wonderful!

Comments and Kudos to share? Contact Kimberly Ledyard at 253-740-4085 or rk.ledyard@gmail.com.

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 at the end of the month. Don't delay, get your items in now to avoid the rush as the deadline approaches.

Enclosures/Attachments

Oh No Snow!

Veterans Day Invitation

Auction flyer

Parent Club Bunco Sign Up

SCRIP Order Form