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#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

<b>Sept., 27th-29th</b>	NWEA MAP Testing Gr. 1-5 continues
<b>Weds., Sept. 28th</b>	Ms. Richter's 3rd Gr. mass 9:00 am
<b>Weds., Oct. 5th</b>	NO MASS- priests on retreat
<b>Fri., Oct. 7th</b>	In-person Learning Day for HFS
<b>Fri., Oct. 7th</b>	HFS Picture Day
<b>Fri., Oct 7th</b>	Blessing of your pets
<b>Sat., Oct 8th</b>	HFS Fall Festival 3:00-9:00 PM
<b>Fri., Oct. 14th</b>	Mid-trimester
<b>Oct. 17th &amp; 18th</b>	3-5 Grade Conferences 3:00-6:00 p.m.
<b>Wed. Oct. 19th</b>	HFS Service Project day
<b>Oct. 20th-21st</b>	No School - Fall Break

All parents are welcome to attend any of our school board meetings. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 10th at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

#### **HOME & SCHOOL INVITATION**

Parents, please join us for our 1<sup>st</sup> **Home & School Meeting** (our parent association) **Thursday, Oct. 6th at 7:30 p.m. This is a virtual meeting. All are invited to participate!** A link will be sent out the day of the meeting. Participating in our Home & School is a great way to get involved in our school community! Thank you to Reba Leither, Angie Rushmeyer and Amy Casey for being on the Home & School Committee. **We are still looking for someone to be the secretary.** If interested, please contact the school office. Thank you!

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**Self Discipline** is an extremely important gift. It is in and through discipline that we are able to do well in school. Discipline results in us doing the work to keep our minds and bodies fit. It is through discipline that we can overcome any obstacle and live a more ordered life, filled with successes. God, grant us discipline in order that we may live out our gifts fully and develop to the best of our potential.

Blessings,  
Mrs. Sowada

#### **NO BUSSING FRIDAY, OCT. 7TH**

HFS will have a regular In-Person learning day of school Friday, Oct. 7th, however there will be no bussing as the Albany school district will be having their first At-Home learning day. Please make arrangements to have your student(s) transported to and from school that day.

#### **2020-2021 HFS BOARD MEMBERS**

Thank you to the following parents serving on our school board this year: Aaron Goebel, School Board Chair, Vice Chair, Joe Stangler, Secretary, Rebecca Woheltz, Nate Brever, Heather Cruz, Ben Mergen, and Amy Casey.

#### **SCHOOL MASSES**

Please join us this school year for our school Masses on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. Ms. Richter's 3rd grade class will be preparing the Mass on Sept. 28th.

#### **LUNCH/RECESS DUTY**

Parents are asked to check in the office on their assigned days by 11:20 in order to help out in the lunchroom for the last few minutes with the first lunch group. Recess duty will be from 11:30 - 12:30. Please make sure to sign out when you are done. Thank you for helping us out! If you have made arrangements with a sub or another family to cover for you, please notify the office of any changes.

#### **SCHOOL VISITORS**

All visitors must report to the school office when entering the school. If you need to drop something off for your child, we will be happy to bring it to him/her. Thank you!!

#### **Volunteer Schedule:**

Fri. 9/23	Nathan & Libby Brever
Mon. 9/26	Nick & Savannah Burg
Tues. 9/27	Joe & Amy Burg
Weds. 9/28	Ben & Sarah Grutsch
Thurs. 9/29	Jon & Rachel Gaebel
Fri. 9/30	Derek & Mara Stroeing

### **SAFE ENVIRONMENT REQUIREMENTS**

In order to be in compliance and be able to volunteer at HFS, all parents are required to go through the Safe Environment Training. This includes Recess & Lunch Duty. If a parent is not current with Safe Environment, he/she will be expected to find a sub who is current with the training to cover his/her Recess/Lunch Duty. The family is charged \$12 per time a sub covers your duty. Information regarding logging into Safe Environment was sent home in the Fall Packet, or call the school office if you have questions.

### **CASH RAFFLE AND FALL FESTIVAL**

Mark your calendars for the 3rd annual Fall of Fortune cash raffle with a grand prize of \$10,000!!! and the Fall Festival event Saturday, October 8th on the school grounds. Please return any sold tickets so we can keep track of each ticket. If you need more to sell, contact the school office. ***For every 20 tickets sold, the family will receive a \$5 DQ certificate. Please help us in meeting our goal of selling 1,000 tickets.***

The Fall Festival is open to the public. Invite your family and friends to come. All are welcome!! This will be a fun filled, family friendly event. Many kids activities, bounce house, food, beer and the movie "Coco" will be shown at dusk!

### **PICTURE DAY**

Picture order forms are being sent home today in the folders. Picture day is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 7th. You can also order online  
<http://vando.imagequix.com/G9TRM9D>

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### **CELEBRATING THE FEAST DAY OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

**When:** Friday Oct 7 at 2:00 PM

**Where:** The Holy Family School Playground

**What to do:** Please bring your pets in for a blessing!

All pets need to be on a leash and should be able to tolerate being around a lot of people and animals. If you would like to crate your animal that would work also. We will all meet on the side of the school and Fr. Edward will offer a blessing for our pets. Children are able to go home with their families and pets after the blessing.

### **SPOTLIGHT ON FAMILY**

#### **The Boeckermann Family**

Jackson Boeckermann is in Mrs. Orbeck's 5th grade class this year. His Dad, Curt, is a dairy farmer and his

Mom, Jolene, is a social worker for CentraCare homecare/hospice. Jack's brother, Kyle, is a sophomore and his sister, Ady, is 3 yrs old. Jack enjoys growing his own produce to sell at the farmers markets. They also like fishing, watching movies, and 4 wheeling together. Jack is excited and hopeful to help serve lunch with Jan and Julie!

### **WALK-A-THON CHANGED TO SERVICE PROJECT**

The teachers and staff at Holy Family School have decided to replace the Walk-a-Thon on Wednesday, Oct. 19th with an in-school Service Project theme instead. We are still in the process of planning those details and will send more information home once everything has been finalized.

### **BOOK CLUB**

We are excited to again offer a Book Club this school year. In order to have meaningful conversations and discussions about the book, students need to be committed to reading the provided books. 'Page Turners' will meet four times this year from 2:45-3:45 on the following dates.

October 4th  
December 6th  
February 7th  
April 4th

If you have any questions, please call the school office.

### **ART CLUB**

We are excited to offer an after school Art Club this year! Art club is for students who are in grades 3-5 and LOVE to do art, drawing, painting, creating and designing. They will meet on the following dates:

November 1st  
January 3rd  
March 7th  
May 2nd

If you have any questions, please call the school office.