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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Mon., Nov. 6th<br/>Nov. 20th & 21st<br/>Nov. 22nd- 24thNo School Professional Development day<br/>K-2 conferencesNov. 22nd- 24th<br/>Nov. 23rdNO SCHOOL<br/>HAPPY THANKSGIVINGNov. 30th - Dec 5thScholastic Book FairSun., Dec. 3rdAdvent begins

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

For one of our morning prayers this week, we prayed for community building:

Dear God, you sent us your only Son because of the unconditional and abundant love you have for each and every one of us. Help us here at Holy Family School to be instruments of your love and your peace. May all that we do create an atmosphere where every person in this building feels your love, support, guidance, and care through each of our actions. Give us the courage and strength to reach out and respond to your invitation to be peacemakers and people of love. Amen.

Blessings, Mrs. Sowada

### EARLY RELEASE TOMORROW

Tomorrow is an early release with students being dismissed at 12:00 pm. Please make sure to pick up your child at this time, have them ride the bus, or attend Childcare. Thank you!

### PROPER CLOTHES FOR OUTSIDE

With the weather being unpredictable this time of year, I ask that you take the time to look at the daily forecast to see what type of clothes your students will need for recess or outdoor PE. Please make sure they have the appropriate winter clothing for the outdoor weather.

### **HFS APPAREL**

Reminder- Order forms and payment is due no later than Nov 13th. Options are available for mens. ladies and youth. I do have samples of a few of the items in the office if you want to look at them or try them on for sizing. Every Tuesday is spirit day so wear your HFS apparel on Tuesday's!

### SCHOOL MASSES

Please join us this school year for our school Masses on Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. The next school Mass will be Wednesday, Nov. 8th with Mr. Sopcyk's 3rd grade class preparing it.

# 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. Be sure to have your safe environment training up to date!

### **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE:**

Early Dismissal
No School
James & Julianna Geise
Bryan & Kari Koenig
Aaron & Alyssa Eiynck
Scott & Liana Birr

# Only one parent is needed to help at recess

### **RECESS SUBS**

If you are unable to help with recess on your scheduled date it is your responsibility to find a sub. If you get a sub please compensate them \$12.00 for the day. Checks should be made payable directly to the sub and can be left in the office.

### <u>Subs</u>

Rachel Blenker 320-836-2831 Jillian Scharmer 320-309-0347 Stacy King 320-290-2283 Karen Neidermeier-Gill (T/TH ONLY) 320-428-8021

## K-2 PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

Conferences for Gr. K-2 will be held Monday Nov. 20th from 3-6 pm and Tuesday Nov 21st from 3-5 pm. A sign-up sheet was sent home in today's take-home folders. Please fill out and return. Confirmation of your scheduled time will then be sent home.

### HFS BOOK FAIR

This year's book fair is scheduled for Nov. 30-Dec. 6th, 2023. A wide selection of books are available to purchase and they make great gifts for kids!

#### SNOW BALL

Mark your calendars for the 8th annual Snow Ball Fundraising event on Sat., January 20th, 2024! There will be a dinner, silent auction and live auction. Sign up for work slots on school speak will be available soon.

#### YEARBOOK ORDERS

Yearbooks are on sale for \$17.00 until 2/24/2024. After that the cost is \$20 until sold out. No guarantee of getting a yearbook after 2/24/2024. Order online at <u>Yearbooks 2023-24</u> Yearbooks include students from HFS, Albany Elementary and Avon Elementary. They will be delivered in May. Please keep your receipt in case of any mix-ups.

#### **BOOK CLUB**

Book club for the 4th and 5th grader students will meet from 2:45-3:45 on the following dates:

December 5 February 6 April 9

### ART CLUB

Holy Family School will once again offer an art club after school to our 3rd- 5th grade students. Information and registration forms were sent home last week in the take home folders. Art Club will meet from 2:45-3:45 on the following dates:

November 14 January 9 March 5 May 7

#### Stork Corner!

This year I would like to add a "stork corner" to the newsletter. If your family welcomes a new baby to the family we would like to know and share the news. Please notify the office with birthdate, gender, baby's name and weight and I will include it in the newsletter.

#### SPOTLIGHT ON FAMILY

Please be sure to send a family photo if you haven't already done so. Email to <u>hfamilys@albanytel.com</u>

#### The Bredeck Family

The Bredeck's are a family of six and in March will be a family of seven! Aiden is in 2nd grade and Tristan is in Kindergarten at HFS. They have two younger siblings, Keeley and Nicodemus. John (dad) grew up in Albany and attended HFS as a child. He is



a truck driver. Kyra (mom) grew up in CA and CO and is a nurse at the VA. They stay busy going to summer parades, fairs, swimming, and fishing. They also enjoy spending time with family having campfires, movie nights and praying together. They like attending HFS because of the rich devotion to Christ and it is comforting that they can share their faith with others.

# TEAL'S RECEIPT REMINDER:

Just a friendly request to please continue to save & turn in your Teal's Market receipts! The school earns cash back throughout the year by saving the sales receipts. What a huge help & benefit to the school! Thank you to Dana Frank for organizing our receipts and Thank you for bringing your receipts!

### **INK CARTRIDGES**

Did you know you can bring your used ink cartridges and old cell phones to HFS office to earn cash for the school! Simply drop off your name brand used ink cartridges and we will send them in to recycle and earn cash back for the school. Thank you to Jessica Lust for coordinating this project. For more information about this or other programs we use to raise money and help support the school please contact the school office.

### REMINDER: DOWNLOAD YOUR SCRIP APP TODAY!

Parents, if you haven't already done so, we encourage you to join our <u>ShopWithScrip Mobile App Program</u> for a great, easy way to buy gift cards via our HFS Scrip Program!! Go to: **RaiseRight mobile app** (from the app store) and enter the code: **4F9LCA836L12** eGift cards are delivered to the app within minutes and you can view them in your Scrip Wallet. Consider using scrip for your Holiday shopping. Raise Right bonus days- Nov 16-17th. Earn extra on eGift cards and reloadable gift cards.

Good luck to all deer hunters- be safe!