

Holy Spirit Catholic School
Weekly Newsletter
October 27, 2011



Dear Parents:

Happy Fall! The changing of the seasons is amazing!

We are going to initiate a new safety procedure next week that will affect entrance to the campus from 8th Street. We now have permission from the Fire Department to lock the large rolling gate on 8th Street during school hours, 7:30am-6pm Monday through Friday. That gate has always been a safety issue for us, a weak spot in security for the large playground area. It is constantly wide open or partially open making accessibility to the playground and the children too easy, especially for unwanted visitors...two legged or four legged.

Pedestrian access through the small gate by the gym entrance will continue as usual. We understand there will be inconveniences, parking issues, and extra steps involved with the change, but protecting the children is paramount. Thank you!

Keep reading to your wonderful kids!

Mrs. Corgiat

HALLOWEEN FUN

Parents, please make a note regarding our school's guidelines for Halloween costumes. First, we are a Catholic school and therefore no demonic, ghoulish, bloody, or crude costumes are allowed. Secondly, we really want the kids to have a good time, so please be considerate of their safety when choosing costumes. We strongly discourage masks or wearing anything which might inhibit their movements. If you still have questions regarding your child's costume, please have your child discuss it with their teacher or Mrs. Corgiat as students will not be allowed to wear inappropriate costumes at school.

Don't forget our Halloween celebration starts at 6:00 tomorrow night with the following activities:

6:00 p.m. - Dinner in the school cafeteria. Prices range from .50 cents to \$2.00 per item.

Carnival in the school gym from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. sponsored by the Catholic Council of Women.

Trunk or Treat begins at dark. Please make sure your car is here by 6:00 p.m. as we will shut the gates in order to keep everyone safe! We have had lots of families sign up to participate (in fact we're full!) in Trunk or Treat so it should be lots of fun for the kids as well as the participating families! If you haven't donated a bag of candy yet, please send one in to help keep the participants costs down. Thank you!

On Halloween, Monday, Oct. 31, students will be allowed to wear their costumes to school AFTER lunch. Please check with your child's teacher to see how they are going to be celebrating in their classroom.

JUST A REMINDER

On Tuesday, Nov. 1 the students will be attending Mass for All Saints Day. They will not attend Mass on Wednesday. Students will need to wear their red school sweaters to Mass and every Wednesday from this point forward until next April. Please check your child's sweater to make sure it still fits, has buttons, etc. If your child needs one please see Miss Polly in the office.

Also beginning November 1, students are no longer allowed to wear shorts until April 1.

November's hot lunch menu is at the end of this newsletter.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Due to many requests received by the church office, there will be one more *Safe Environment Training* session this fall. It is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 8, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Life Center (church office building). If you have not attended this training but plan on volunteering in your child's classroom, you **need** to attend. Another training session isn't scheduled until next spring. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Polly in the school office.

PTC News

Approximately 98 students participated in the PTC Fall Fundraiser this year!!! The total for the cookie dough sales and donations amounted to a little over \$17,000 for an approximate fundraising profit of \$6,800. Thank-you to everyone for all your effort and generous donations!!! Congratulations to Mrs. Belcher's 3rd Grade for the highest sales. The date of the Great Hamster Race will be announced soon.

Top Selling Students

3 Year Old Pre-School: Nylee Togafau	4 Year-Old Pre-School: Payton Farnes & Kolin Cook (tie)
Miss Jeanne's Kindergarten: Trevyn Shay	Miss Jenni's Kindergarten: Grace Mickelson
1 st Grade: Julia Hadley	2 nd Grade: Landon Harbart
3 rd Grade: Megan Jackson	4 th Grade: Samantha Wills
5 th Grade: Breighanna Brown	6 th Grade: Adriene Pavek
7 th /8 th Grade: RD Lacey	Schoolwide: Landon Harbart

In the spirit of Halloween, we will have orange cream, licorice and caramel flavored popcorn from the Popcorn Shop available for sale after school Friday and also at the Halloween Carnival Friday night. (We also have the popular flavor Tutti Frutti available.) Prices are \$12.00 for large bags and \$5.00 for medium bags.

MAP STANDARDIZED TESTING

Just a few more tests to go and we'll be all done with our Fall MAP testing. Thank you for helping your child by making sure they get a good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast and lots of encouragement to do their very best on this test.

SCHOOL RAFFLE

Way to rally!! We have now sold 92 raffle tickets. The first drawing is scheduled for tomorrow, Oct. 28 at Trunk-or-Treat so you still have time to buy one or sell one!

CRISP FALL DAYS

With the cool fall days comes the need for sweaters and jackets. **Please, please** make sure your child's name is on their belongings. Our lost and found box is already growing!

RECYCLE THOSE OLD CANS

Chef Rich is having a fundraiser for St. Vincent DePaul by collecting all your used food cans. Please send in your empty cans, clean, with

labels removed, with your child. The classroom with the collection of cans that weighs the most will receive a pizza party. After the contest ends, Oct. 31, Chef Rich will then take the cans to be recycled with all proceeds going to St. Vincent DePaul.

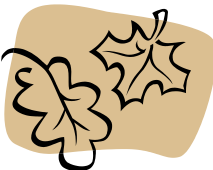


CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS
WORLD YOUTH DAY 2013!

Members of Holy Spirit Catholic Community's LIFE TEEN group are going to Rio de Janeiro in 2013 to be a part of the largest gathering of Catholic youth in the world. At the end of WYD in Madrid this year, Pope Benedict XVI announced Rio to be the venue for the next World Youth Day. LIFE TEEN youth are selling Christmas wreaths to help fundraise the \$3000 each participant needs to attend this life-changing event. So please, if you plan on hanging a wreath this year, buy it from our LIFE TEEN group. Orders can be made at the parish office, 232-1196, just ask for Dave. Place your order by **November 8**. They will be delivered to your house the week before Thanksgiving. Thank you for your support and prayers.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Oct. 24-Oct. 28 - MAP Testing**
- Oct. 28 - Trunk-or-Treat and Halloween Carnival**
- Oct. 31 - Halloween Classroom Parties**
- Nov. 1 - All Saints Day - Students will attend Mass**
- Nov. 1 - Shorts can no longer be worn until next April 1.**
- Nov. 1 - Red school sweaters must be worn to Mass.**

NOVEMBER 2011 HOT LUNCH MENU

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	1 Mandarin Chicken over Rice Broccoli Apple Crisp Milk	2 Turkey Mashed Potatoes Green Salad Cookie Milk	3 Nachos w/ground beef Refried Beans Pears Cookie Milk	4 Pizza (Cheese, Pepperoni & Veggie) Green Salad Cookie Milk
7 Chicken Nuggets Mac & Cheese Peas Fresh Fruit Apple Cobbler Milk	8 Taco Salad Black Beans Green Beans Applesauce Graham Crackers Milk	9 BBQ Teriyaki Chicken over Rice Mixed Veggies Orange Slices Cookie Milk	10 Cheeseburger Potato Wedges Corn Peaches Cookie Milk	11 Pizza (Cheese, Pepperoni & Veggie) Green Salad Cookie Milk
14 Hot Dog on a Bun Potato Wedges Baby Carrots Fresh Fruit Cookie Milk	15 Chicken Patty on a Bun Scalloped Potatoes Corn Fresh Fruit Milk	16 Spaghetti w/meat sauce Green Salad w/dressing Fruit Cocktail Cookie Milk	17 Bean Burrito w/sour cream & salsa Spanish Rice Corn Peaches Cookie Milk	18 Pizza (Cheese, Pepperoni & Veggie) Green Salad Cookie Milk
21 NO SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES	22 NO SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES	23 NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING BREAK	24 HAPPY THANKSGIVING! GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR HIS MANY BLESSINGS!	25 NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING BREAK
28 Chicken Nuggets Mac & Cheese Peas Fresh Fruit Apple Cobbler Milk	29 Hot Dog on a Bun Potato Wedges Baby Carrots Fresh Fruit Cookie Milk	30 Spaghetti w/meat sauce Green Salad w/dressing Fruit Cocktail Cookie Milk		

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, national origin, age or disability. If you believe you have been discriminated against, write to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.

HOT LUNCH W/ MILK IS \$2.50. MILK ONLY IS .35 CENTS