



CRUSADER NEWS AND VIEWS

The Mission Statement of Holy Cross Catholic School is to educate tomorrow's Christian Leaders by fostering Academic Excellence in a Christian Community.

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Prayer

God our Father, grant us a heart opened wide to all the beauty of Your Earth; and save us from being so blind that we pass unseeing when even the common thornbush is aflame with your glory. Amen.

Adapted from www.appleseeds.org

Protecting God's Children Workshops

Visit www.virtus.org and select "Registration." You will be directed to a prompt to search for locations. You will need this to do ANY classroom volunteering! Contact Mrs. Smith or the "virtus" website for more information.

Remember, you need this workshop completed in order to volunteer for field day or camp or chaperone field trips.

got scrip?

SCRIP office hours:

Mondays and Fridays, 7-9am;
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and
Thursdays 1-3pm; and
5-7pm Mondays & Tuesdays during
RE classes

"Peddler" hours: almost 24/7/365!

Peddlers:

Kelly Glowski (Algonac)
Sue Sharpe (Marine City)
Kelly Zichi (East China)

Kroger shoppers: Kroger will be changing its participation on May 1. The change will make life simpler for you!—go online one time to register your Kroger Plus card; then, after May 1, you'll never have to "reload" another Kroger SCRIP card: just swipe your Plus card to claim SCRIP credit.

Registration!

Packets went home on Monday—if you can't find yours, please contact the school office. Please return your re-registration paperwork ASAP so we know how to plan for 2009-10. If you know anyone who is thinking about a Holy Cross education for their children, encourage them to call Mrs. Lund for a personal appointment. *Remember, YOU are one of the best marketing tools our school has!*

First Communion and Confirmation

Our second graders will make their First Communion on Saturday, and our eighth graders will be confirmed on Tuesday next week. Congratulations and may God bless each of you!

Pizza Lunch

Next Friday, May 1, Chartwell's won't be serving lunch. Instead, we'll have Hungry Howie's pepperoni pizza. Order slips were distributed to all students today. \$1.75 buys a single meal, which includes a large slice of pizza (1/8 of a large) with chips and a drink; extra slices are \$1 each. Please send your order in ASAP so we're sure to get enough for you; as always, if you need to call in sick on the day of a special lunch we'll pull your order and return your payment.

TRACK

Practices are underway (Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 2:30-4pm); the first meet will be Saturday, May 2 at the Ward-Cottrell track on Ward Street.

Our turn to provide concessions will be for the last meet (May 16): please call school if you're interested in helping.

Check Your Calendar:

Remember that Monday, May 4, is an "early dismissal" day: buses will be here and school will let out at 12:30 that day. As there has been no need for latchkey on the other "early" days, no latchkey is planned at this time: call if you are going to need latchkey!

Graduations!

It doesn't seem possible that our Kindergartners and eighth graders will graduate in a month!! A reminder to those families that all tuition, service credits, and all other obligations must be taken care of before those students may participate in their advancement ceremonies (or their records be sent on to their next stops).

Thank you for showing your children the good example of honoring your commitments!

Calendar Raffle

...winners for April were Mary Semaan of New Baltimore, Teri Thomas of Marine City and Mary E. Stockwell of East China Township. Congratulations to all!

From the Library:

As new books are introduced, many students take an interest in them. If at any time there is a book that you do not want your child to read, please contact Mrs. Lund or Mrs. Smith. We are able to mark your child's account with a restriction for any material you find questionable.

Family Skate Day

...is just a week off! The PTO is sponsoring the event at Skateport Roller Rink (1080 Wadhams, Kimball Twp) on Sunday, May 3 from noon-2pm. Cost is \$6/person and all ages are welcome. (Skate rental is extra, and everyone who comes in must pay admission: skaters and nonskaters alike.)

Holy Cross School Committee Elections

Elections are set for May voting. HCSC open seats will be **voted on by the school families.** We have 4 seats open next year. The position is a 2 year term. If you are interested in serving your school in an **advisory** position to the administration, please pick up a nomination form in the office by ASAP. Complete and return it by May 1. Your bio and any short statement you wish to make will be published in the remaining April newsletters.

The School Committee meets monthly on a Monday evening. If you have any questions regarding the function and duties of the School Committee please contact a current member: Bob Goldenbogen, Jacqui MacKenzie, Vicki Ruemenapp, Carrie Dorcey, Al Chaltron, Pat Semaan, Jim DeKoninck, Mrs. Lund, and Fr. Jim. You may also request to review the School Committee By-Laws and Constitution which will be available in the school office.

M.C. JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Students currently in grades 3-6 are eligible for this full contact, tackle league. Registration will be held in the MHS activities area on April 29 from 6-8pm; cost is \$100/student. Contact Tony Scarcelli (810.676.1975) or Gary Griffin (676.1237) for more info.

Summer Nature Club

Pine River Nature Center will be sponsoring nature classes for students in grades 1-3 and 4-6 this summer. Classes will meet the same day each week for 7 weeks, beginning July 7 for the Tuesday classes.

For more info contact the school office for a flyer, or check St. Clair County RESA's website:

www.sccresa.org.

Drama Club

Auditions for our spring musical will be held on Monday, April 27, from 2:15-3:15pm. Practices will take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. Please think about joining the drama club--explore your creativity and enrich your school experience!

--Mrs. Hanna, Ms. Morelli and Mrs. Rock

Wanted:...

We're down to our last canister of disposable wipes for the lunchroom. Can anyone help us out?

Congratulations, HC Alumna!

Meghan Vernier (HC Class of 2004) has been nominated to the U.S. Air Force Academy. She will begin June 25th. This four year education scholarship has a current value of nearly \$404,000.00 and only 1400 students are accepted. Congratulations, Meghan!!

National Immunization Week

This is "National Immunization Week." St. Clair County Health Department is celebrating by offering entry into a prize drawing for all children receiving immunizations between April 20 and May 1. Michigan requires that school-age immunization assessments be done at Kindergarten entry and again when the student enters 6th grade; if your student falls into either group, this would be a good time to take a look at his shot record! Contact the Health Department (810.987.8216) or the Teen Health Center (810.987.1311) for more info.

(Need a sports physical?—the Teen Health Center may be able to help you there, too!)

Next week's PTO meeting IS CANCELED

The meeting was inadvertently scheduled during Confirmation. A reschedule date had not been set as of "press time"—watch next week's newsletter.

Crusader Alumni Earn Honors

The following students received third quarter honors at CMC:

Principal's list (All As): Mary Kate Bachler, Oliver Hopton, Alexandra MacKenzie, Steven Miodonski, Brittany Rickel, Kourtney Rogus, Patrick Ruhlman, Stevon Sykes and Kelsey Simon.

First Honors (At least 3 As and no grade lower than B): Amanda Charney, Brandon Charney, Daniel David, David Glowski, Bradly Guldmond, Caitlin Hardwick, Rachel Hardwick, Matthew Heika, Lucas Laster, Alec Neale, Jacob Pelzer, Megan Perini, Greg Poma, Mariah Rickerman, Ronnie Senger, Staci Shackett, David Stieler, Craig Sykes and Alyssa VanBoekel.

Second Honors (2 or fewer As and all Bs): Camron Pytleski.

Congratulations! We're proud of you!

MARKET DAY

This month's flyer is attached to your student's newsletter; more are available at the church and school offices. Orders need to be in the school office Monday, May 4.

Thrift Sale

The spring sale continues tomorrow (9am-3pm) and Saturday ("bag day") from 9am-1pm. Come and find bargains!