



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.

November 6, 2008

Thank God for Special People

As we prepare to welcome our 'special people' to our school tomorrow, may we keep all of them in our prayers. May those we were able to bring, those who were not able to attend, and those who have found peace with God in Heaven, always remain in our thoughts and prayers. --Amen.

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)

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Until Nov. 21 we will be holding a food drive for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. Our turkey in the hallway is hoping to get a little warmer as our students "dress" him with feathers for food donations. Thank you for helping to restock the pantry's shelves!

Special Persons Day

...is TOMORROW! We're so excited to meet all the people who are important to you! (If, for some reason, it turns out that you or your guest can't make it on Friday, and you have a lunch order turned in, let us know first thing Friday morning and we can adjust our order and return your money.)

End of First Quarter

...is also tomorrow! Report cards will go home next Friday, Nov. 14. Information will be sent home about parent teacher conferences next week.

Archdiocesan Grant

Congratulations to the 20 school families (representing 32 students) who shared, last week, in \$19,200 in Archdiocesan tuition grants awarded to Holy Cross School students!

Early next year, you'll have the opportunity to apply for next year's grants. We'll let you know when the application packets arrive; there is a small cost to apply, and the application deadline is usually by the first of April. Everyone is encouraged to apply—and you are reminded that applying for the grant is required to be eligible for other local scholarships. (Note: you don't have to actually RECEIVE an Archdiocesan grant to be eligible for the local programs, but you DO have to have applied!)

COAT WEATHER!

Remember: we will be going outside at recess as long as it isn't raining—don't forget your coat / hat / gloves!

Thanksgiving Dinner

On Friday, November 21, we will celebrate Thanksgiving with our annual, school-wide feast. We'll share the meal all together as our lunch, and each student is asked to help provide the meal's ingredients. Room parents will coordinate the main course.

"Food assignments" are as follows (per student):

- K: 3 cans of corn
- 1: 2 packages cubed cheese
- 2: 3 boxes cornbread stuffing mix
- 3: gallon bag of celery sticks
- 4: 2 bags of baby carrots
- 5: 2 dozen dinner rolls
- 6: 1 pumpkin and 1 apple pie (baked, please)
- 7: deviled eggs (teacher will assign ingredients)
- 8: setup and cleanup; cherry jello, milk or black olives as assigned by teacher.

Notes from Booster Club

October 21 2008 meeting

1. Girls' basketball concessions: made over \$1200.
2. Looking into bill for gym floor refinishing.
3. Cheerleading: two new coaches.
4. Boys' basketball: schedule coming; will schedule parent meeting.
5. Football: season went wonderfully.
6. Koeze nut sale in progress.
7. Magazine drive: slow, but perhaps more orders will come in during the holidays.
8. Next meeting: Tuesday, November 18 2008, 6:30 pm at the Riviera Restaurant.

--respectfully submitted,
Kim Chaltron, Secretary

Fall Athletes:

**If you haven't already—
please turn in your
uniforms ASAP!
(Your coach thanks you!)**

Spelling Bee

Holy Cross will be well represented at this Sunday's Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee. Sixteen of our students now have the opportunity to represent Holy Cross at the district spelling bee at the St. Clair K of C Hall on Sunday, November 9. Congratulations to our super spellers, and we wish them good luck this weekend!

Koeze Nuts

Don't forget to place your orders for your business, family and friends--Koeze products are delicious and elegant for holiday giving! Extra catalogs and order forms are in the school office, and orders and payment must be in by Dec. 1.

Contact Julie Schultz c/o the school office (810.765.3591) with any questions. Thank you for supporting the Holy Cross athletic program!

Little Caesar's Pizza Orders

Kits can be picked up next Thursday, Nov. 13, 1-7pm.

Bake Sale Tomorrow

Remember to bring a quarter for the bake sale tomorrow—the eighth graders plan to have a table-ful of goodies!

Citrus Sale

The eighth grade class is sponsoring this year's citrus sale. Orders and payment need to be in by Nov. 21. We expect the fruit to be delivered the week of December 8—we should be able to give you a more precise date as delivery draws nearer.

Tuition Reminder

All tuition for the 2008-09 year should be at least 50% paid by tomorrow. (Families up-to-date on the monthly payment just brought their total paid to 60% with October's payment.) Please be sure your tuition agreement is up-to-date so that we aren't put in the awkward position of having to withhold your child's report card.

Preschool Tuition

Just a reminder that you should have already paid the deposit when you registered, and the first two regular monthly payments were due on September 10 and October 10 (which means that about 40% of your total tuition should be paid by now, with the next payment due November 10).

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Steinmetz in the office.

Market Day

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, this month's flyer is available now. Orders must be in the school office by Wed. Nov. 19 for the Monday, Dec. 1 delivery.

Monday, Nov. 24 is a full day of school—however, there will be NO EAST CHINA BUSES HOME that day;
Tuesday, Nov. 25 will be a half day of school with dismissal at 10:35 am.

East China buses will run as usual both mornings, and will transport students home on Tuesday, the 25th, at 10:35 am.

Latchkey

Just a heads-up that there will be NO latchkey on Tuesday, Nov. 25.

Thank You!!

Señora Stager would like to say "muchas gracias" to all the families who contributed the bread treat and tissue paper for our Día de Los Muertos FIESTA days. We surely enjoyed the tasty treat that Mexicans like to enjoy during this time of year and the tissue paper flowers were beautiful!

Holiday Expo Sunday 8:30am-2pm Activity Center

A great opportunity to start, continue, or finish your holiday shopping, while helping the school! Bring your friends!!

Auction 2009

Don't forget: your item or (early discount:) \$60 donation is due November 30 (after that day, only monetary donations--\$80--will be accepted). Please attach a "donation record" form to your item (keeping the pink copy as your receipt) when you send it in to school. Please note: if you send a monetary donation instead of an item, you do NOT need to fill out the donation record form.

Hints: vacation stays and time shares always go well. We're also looking for unusual things.

Please call Gretchen Rogus or Jennifer Laster c/o school if you have any questions. Thank you!

Eighth Graders:

Just a quick reminder to encourage you to sign up for the high school placement test workshop and test. The workshop is this Saturday, Nov. 8 and the test is the next Saturday, Nov. 15. Contact CMC (810.765.8825).