



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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A Word from The Word

"This man, I tell you, went home again justified; the other did not. For everyone who raises himself up will be humbled, but anyone who humbles himself will be raised up." Luke 18:14

Protecting God's Children Workshops for all volunteers

The Archdiocese of Detroit's "Protecting God's Children" workshop is held periodically throughout the Archdiocese. To find a session that fits your schedule, go to 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 or lunchroom volunteering. Contact Mrs. Smith at 810.765.8300 if you need help.

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

got SCRIP?

SCRIP office hours:
Mondays and Fridays, 7-9 am;
Mondays; 5-7pm; and
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and
Thursdays 1-3pm
"Peddlers:"
Patty Smith (St Clair)
Kelly Glowski (Algonac)

Mark Your Calendar...

- Fri., Oct. 25, 6-8pm: "Trunk or Treat"
- Sun., Oct. 27 1-3pm: Open House at Cardinal Mooney High School
- Wed. Oct. 30: end of quarter
- Th. Oct. 31: Halloween; no East China buses home
- Tue. Nov. 5: vision & hearing screening
- Wed. Nov. 6: report cards go home
- Fri. Nov. 8: pizza lunch
- Fri. Nov. 8: food drive

NEW PowerSchool Login Info

Just double checking to be sure everyone has the NEW URL to use to log into PowerSchool:
<http://powerschool.aod.org/public/pw.html>

Thank You!!

...to Mrs. Wolf, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Goulette for sorting out cookie dough orders yesterday!

When You Have Concerns—

It is the mission of Holy Cross Catholic to provide the best possible Catholic education for each child who enters our building. From time to time there are concerns that parents have about their child's performance in the classroom. When issues arise it is imperative that parents contact the teacher to initiate a conversation about the problem. Parental support is a key factor in student success. If, after a conference with the classroom teacher, concerns still remain, please contact the office for a meeting with Mr. Hayes.

Volleyball Tournament / Boys' Basketball

Thank you again to Mrs. Julie Wolf, Mrs. Patty Smith, Mrs. Julie Schultz and Mrs. Stacy Goulette for organizing concessions! Thanks, also, to the people who worked at the tournament: Mrs. Templeton, Mrs. Krupa, Mr. Barr, Mr. Bellow and Mr. LaBelle. If your child participates in any Holy Cross sport this year, it will be possible in great part because of these people!

Our boys' basketball season has begun. Mike Govier returns as our Varsity coach. Team members include eighth graders Joe Goldenbogen and Calvin LaBelle, seventh graders Calvin Barr, Joe Cullen, Josh Doan, Spencer Fox, Ricky Goulette and Adonis Mona, sixth grader Ethan Rogus and fifth graders Luke Chadra, Gabriel Rowland Renaud and Christopher Winne.

Their first game is on November 4 at St. Augustine School. Go, Crusaders!

Student and Adult Spectators At School Sporting Events:

Please remember that you and your family represent Holy Cross whenever you are a spectator at a sporting event. That means we all need to remember and respect the rules of good sportsmanship, and students should remember that school rules extend beyond the school day into all school-related events.

Also, students need to have an adult supervisor on site when they're here, and not be simply dropped off for the duration of an event.

A Visit from the Fire Department

Last week our students in grades K-4 were visited by members of Marine City Fire Department. They brought a fire truck! The students learned a lot about fire safety, and they even got to man the fire hose:



Auction 2014

Thank you to **Mrs. Melissa Kleckner** who returns to lead this year's Auction committee. The committee met on Tuesday evening to begin planning this year's fun! (If you're interested in helping with the Auction, call the school office to be put in touch with the Auction committee.)

Attached to this newsletter is a blank Auction "Donation Record." Please fill it out and return with your family's Auction donation before Nov. 30 (the due date). The record gives the Auction committee much important information, and helps them organize the items and catalog.

Camp!

5th-8th graders each received a letter last Friday with some information about camp. The letter requested your response as to whether or not your student would be attending camp this year. Please send your answer by tomorrow so we can firm up our camp arrangements. (If we don't hear from you by tomorrow, we'll assume you don't plan to send your child to camp.)

Halloween'ish Doings!

Hallowe'en is a school day this year: just a week away! Students may bring their costumes to change into after lunch (please note: no make up, no masks, no hair color, no weapons). Students in grades K-5 will be parading in costume through downtown Marine City (weather permitting) from about 12:45 to 1pm: you're invited to join us! (Don't forget to return the permission form.) Classroom parties will take place during the last part of the day. Your child's teacher will let you know more details about her classroom's celebration plans.

Congratulations!

...to **Luke** on his baptism at last Friday's school mass!



Vision and Hearing Screenings

The Health Department will visit on Tuesday, November 5 to do vision and hearing screenings. Students in grades 1, 3, 5 and 7 will have vision tests, and students in K, 2 and 4 will have their hearing checked. If you'd like to have your student's sight or hearing checked and s/he's not in a grade scheduled for that testing, please drop a note to the school office with your request. If you'd prefer that your child NOT be tested, please let us know that as well.

Students who wear glasses or contact lenses will need them for their vision testing.

No, those aren't ghosts in Mrs. Sweet's room!

The eighth graders learned this week about a method of remembering people used by people before photography. They learned that people created "life masks:" 3D images of their loved one's face. The eighth graders recreated that memorializing this week. The first step is making a "cast" of the person's face:



There ARE air holes so our very-alive friend can breathe while he waits for the plaster to set! (Who IS that masked man?)

After the plaster set, the students removed the hard "mask," which now had an impression of the wearer's face and served as the mold for the "life mask."

Pie and Koeze Nut Sales

Your Achatz pie orders and payments are due by Nov. 1; pies will be in on Nov. 18.

Koeze orders need to be in the office before parent-teacher conferences.

Halloween Dance

St. Mary's in St. Clair is sponsoring the Blue Water Halloween Dance tomorrow night from 6-8 pm. This is a dance for all seventh and eighth grade students attending the Blue Water Catholic Schools. Advance tickets for the event are \$6.00 (\$7 at the door). Call St. Mary's for more info: 810.329.4150. BOOgie down!

What're You Doing Next Thursday?

We ask, because we find ourselves in need of one lunch supervisor for Thursdays. Are you available from 10:45-11:30 on Thursday mornings to spend some quality time with your child and his friends? Please call Stacy Goulette (586.855.9349) or the school office (810.765.3591) if you can help—thanks!!

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"Books Are Fun!"

The traveling book display is here—orders and payment need to be in the office by Wednesday morning, Oct. 30, and items will go home with your student on Thursday, Oct. 31. There is a nice selection of items at reasonable prices, and we earn an item for every ten purchased. For even more choices, check on the new online store! It features current items as well as favorites from the past. They can deliver to you with your regular delivery next week to avoid any shipping charges. Go to <http://mystore.booksarefun.com> and enter promo code BIEDE1.