

WEEKLY UPDATE

Thursday, 10/20/11

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Friday 10/21/11

***Free Dress with donation
to Making Strides Against
Breast Cancer event.***

Treat Day

Filipino Class Begins

3:15pm - 4:15 pm

Saturday 10/22/11

Sunday 10/23/11

Monday 10/24/11

Spanish Class 3:20pm - 4:20pm

Tuesday 10/25/11

Regular School Day

Wednesday 10/26/11

2:20 pm Dismissal

Grade 2 Field Trip

CASH CALENDAR 2011/12 - This week's \$100.00 winner is Mario Roldan. The winning ticket was sold by Reggie Boongaling, Grade K. Congratulations! Our next drawing for \$100.00 will be Monday, October 24, 2011. Good luck!

SCRIP COMMITMENT - Last spring when you received your new Tuition Contracts, there was a new addition of a mandatory Scrip Gift Card purchase of \$1,500.00 per year per family. You could also opt to pay a \$90.00 one time fee instead. The objective of the Scrip commitment is to increase the amount of funds into the budget to help keep the cost of a Catholic Education reasonable, so more families can afford to send their children to our school. Scrip gift cards are available in the school office and can also be purchased on-line through the Shop with Scrip program. The link to shopwithscrip.com will soon be on our website, but you can go there anytime. The enrollment code is F5A18FEF1LL22. There are cards at the school office with this information. Pick one up the next time you come to school. The school office is tracking your Scrip purchases and a monthly update will be sent out with your parent hours. April 1st is the deadline for Scrip purchases. If you have not completed your Scrip purchases by April 1st, a billing statement will be sent with either the shortage and billed amount of \$6.00 per \$100 Scrip shortage, or a thank you for completing your required purchase of Scrip. Please call the office if you have any questions regarding Scrip. Thank you.

TWO SPECIAL REMINDERS - Once your child has been picked up at the

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classroom after school, you must keep your children with you at all times. They are not to be walking around campus unsupervised or playing on the play equipment. Also, please do not park behind the classroom windows when school is still in session. We ask that you park across the driveway in front of the cypress trees. It is very disruptive to the class when cars pull in and out of parking spaces by the classroom windows. Thank you for your cooperation.

FIELD DUTY - If you have signed up for Field Duty and it is raining, you must come anyway if you want credit for those required hours. You will be assigned a classroom to watch during the time that you signed up to do Field Duty.

PARENT CLUB MEETING - On Thursday, Nov. 3, the Parent Club Meeting will have a presentation by our counselor, Paula Milholland. **Talking Points:** Raising Encouraged Children; Raising Responsible Children/Adults; Parenting Tips, Parents as Models; Bullying; Counseling Services; Q & A, as time allows. We look forward to seeing you at 7:00 pm, Nov. 3rd in the Small Hall. Babysitting will be provided.

TREAT DAY - Treat Day is this Friday, October 21st sponsored by the 7th grade. So 7th grade please remember your 2 dozen treats or \$25 and everybody don't forget your quarters!

HALLOWEEN PARTY - We are very excited that the Halloween Games will take place on Friday October 28th; however, we still need volunteers for this event. We need help with set-up on Thursday, Oct. 27th and we need volunteers to work at the game booths from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm on Friday. Please give us a hand making this a fun day for the kids. ***And don't let the kids forget to bring a trick or treat bag to carry away all their candy and prizes!***

Please contact Amy at Ame197@hotmail.com or Denise at deniselatchford@gmail.com if you would like to participate in this year's Halloween Games.

BREAST CANCER WALK - In honor of helping to make strides to cure breast cancer, Holy Spirit School will be sponsoring Mary Winters, preschool teacher and grandmother of John in first grade, who will be walking on Oct. 29 to earn money to cure this disease. **On Friday, October 21, your child may have a free dress day with a donation to the American Cancer Society in any amount.** Please make checks payable to Holy Spirit School. Thank you for your support and please be generous!

Why am I walking? Because I know that I will make a difference. I know that by raising funds and walking in my Making Strides Against Breast Cancer event, I will help the American Cancer Society continue to save lives from breast cancer and create a world with less breast cancer and more birthdays. I believe that one day, breast cancer will never steal another year from anyone's life. That's why I am walking. And you can be a part of it, too. I have signed up to walk and raise funds to support the American Cancer Society's efforts to fight breast cancer. I hope you will join my team or make a donation in support of my participation. Together we can make strides to end breast cancer! Thank you, Miss Mary

FILIPINO CULTURE CLASS - Mabuhay! Want an after school program that's sure to bring your student coming back for more? This after school enrichment program is for YOU! Registration is now open to ALL students from Kindergarten to 8th grade. You DO NOT have to be of Filipino decent to participate in this fun-filled learning experience. Information and registration forms are available to download on the Wednesday Envelope. Please scroll down to the registration form or pick one up at the school office. Registration fees are \$35 per student or \$50 for two or more students per family. Classes will resume Friday, Oct. 22nd from 3:15 pm to 4:15 pm in the Science Lab. We are asking parent volunteer's to assist our lead instructors. With an average annual enrollment of 70-75 students, we need at least 4 volunteers to kindly step up. We look forward to another fun-filled school year with your child and family. For questions, please contact Marie Herbert at mherbert@stanford.edu. Or call 510-565-1868. This after school enrichment program is one your student cannot miss!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION: Box Tops are coming in full force! Thank you to all the families who CLIP CLIP CLIP! Please continue to send in all BT's labeled with your child's grade to count towards their class goals. Any miscellaneous ones will be dispersed equally among all the grades. Remember to ask your family members and friends to save BT's for you as well! Congratulations to 3rd grade for already beating the 500 Goal mark! They earned an EXTRA RECESS and FREE DRESS! For this school year we are already at 1

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K	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	7TH	8TH
75	272	202	695	82	178	96	125	135

860 box tops which translates into \$186 for our school!

BOX TOPS GOALS:

- 500 Extra Recess & Free Dress
- 1000 Popcorn Party & Free Dress
- 1500 Sundae party & Free Dress
- 2000 Teacher Surprise & Free Dress

BOOK SALE - The time has come again for the student council's 2nd Annual Used Book Sale. We politely ask you to donate your used books for our sale. During the weekends the books may be dropped off at the parish office, during the week, the books may be dropped off at the school office. Our used book sale will be held November 14-17 during recess and after school. On Sunday, November 20th, we will sell books after all morning Masses. Thank you for your donations.

HOLY SPIRIT CYO SPIRIT WEAR - Go Spartans! The athletic program at Holy Spirit is launching the Fall Spirit Wear for CYO Spartan athletes, coaches, and family members. Get your jacket orders in before Oct. 28th, in time for the boys and girls basketball, boys and girls volleyball, and track and field season! Flyers and order forms are available on our website, holyspiritcyo.com, at the school office, rectory, and the faith formation office. Please submit an order form for EACH order and attach your payment, payable to Holy Spirit CYO and submit your requests to Marie Herbert, Grade 5 via the school office. For further information, contact Marie Herbert at mherbert@stanford.edu. Thank you for your generosity and for supporting Holy Spirit CYO!

CUB SCOUTS ARE ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERS - You are welcome to join us for our recruitment Cub Scout Pack 154 meeting to get more information and to see how much fun we have! the meeting is in the Small Hall, Friday, October 28th at 7:00 pm. All 1st through 4th grade boys and their families are invited. For more information, see the enclosed flyer or contact Myrna Baker at mtbaker13@yahoo.com or 510-757-4785.

2012 HOLY SPIRIT CYO -- GIRLS BASKETBALL REGISTRATION - Attention all Girls, grades 3rd – 8th, interested in participating in the Holy Spirit CYO Girls Basketball Program for Holy Spirit, registration will be held on **Wednesday, Nov 2nd, 2011 starting at 6:00 pm till 7:00 pm at the Holy Spirit Gym.** The Holy Spirit CYO Girls Basketball registration is on a first come/first served basis. Preference first given to Holy Spirit Students, then returning players, then Holy Spirit Faith Formation Students and lastly, children that reside within our Parish Boundaries. To register you must bring \$150 program fee and completed Player Application Packet. To download the 5-page Player Application visit: <http://www.holyspiritcyo.com/index2.html>. Questions? Contact Oshi Owens, Basketball Coordinator at oshi_owens@comcast.net.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Holy Spirit School Families,

Halloween will be celebrated on Oct 28 this year!

Students may wear their Halloween costume to school on Friday, October 28th. Please be sure that the costume is appropriate. No scary masks, weapons, or violent themed costumes. Please remember students need to be able to get out of it by themselves when using the restroom.

The day will have many activities including a student council assembly, a costume parade with costume judging, games in the Gym and "Trunk or Treat" in the Preschool parking lot.

We ask each child to bring one bag of wrapped candy or small toys for sharing with other students for the Halloween games. Please NO NUTS!

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Parents are asked to join in the celebration for "Trunk or Treat" at 10:35 AM --- Please be parked in the lot by the gym and preschool by 10:30 AM but not before 10:15 AM. The students will come to your car for a treat. The trunk of your car should be decorated for Halloween with treats for all students. Plan for 310 students. NO NUTS!

Hints for conversations with your child: Monitor how you talk about others in front of your children. If you gossip or put down others, you are teaching your children to do the same.

HSS received recognition from the Red Cross for the \$820 donation. The money was used to support relief work: disaster relief services to 146 people; train over 10,000 people in First Aid/CPR/Aquatics and Disaster Preparedness; Assist 89 military families with crisis communication.

Blessings ~

Susan C. Buchanan

Harmony~Belief~Achiever~Responsibility~Developer~