



# HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

*We are a family of HOPE!*

September 24, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As many of you may be aware, the number of Covid cases in our schools and county are on the rise. Although it is not a requirement, we are starting to see more students and families utilizing masks. Please remember that at all times, students on the bus are required to wear masks. Due to the rise in cases, the bus garage is also experiencing a shortage of bus drivers. If bus routes are affected by this shortage, you will be notified. We will continue assessing ways to keep the kids safe and keep quarantines to a minimum. Please understand that it may be more difficult to keep younger students apart than older students and that might affect those who have direct contact with students who test positive for Covid. The teacher will use the guidelines and additional information from families with a positive case in identifying close contacts.

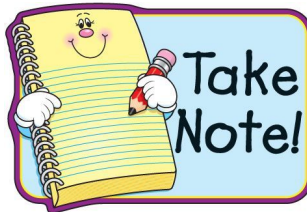
Just for your information, we have also had cases of cold/allergy as well as stomach bugs and strep throat. Thank you for promptly notifying us when you have positive cases of Covid or any other illnesses in your household. Your communication with us is essential and greatly appreciated.

On another note, we are also experiencing a shortage of volunteers to assist in serving lunch, especially on Fridays. If you or anyone you know can help weekly, or sub once in awhile, please call the school and ask to talk to Jerry. The hours would be from about 10:45 until 12:30.

Our prayers and thanks are with you all.

In Christ,

Mrs. Peterson  
& Staff



**Picture Retake Day:** Student picture retakes will be on Friday morning, Oct. 15. If your child was absent on picture day and you would like to order a package, please send their picture envelope with them to school. If your child will be getting retakes, you will need to return their packet to school with them on or before retake day. If you need a new envelope, please let us know and we can send one home.

**Scrip** - Don't forget to use SCRIP for your shopping and gift card needs. We have cards on hand in the main office, and place orders every other week. We also encourage you to place online orders.

**Safe Environment Training** - Every year our students must have Safe Environment training. Materials are provided through the diocese and include information for student safety and reporting. During the next two weeks, unless we hear specifically from you, your child will be getting this training within the classroom.

**Cross Country** - The cross country coaches have asked that we forward an invitation for all 1st - 6th grade students in the district to participate in a fun cross country event. Please see page 3 for information on this event next week.

## ON THE SIDE: WORKATHON

The Holy Family School Workathon activities will take place next Friday after lunch. Our last newsletter listed the activities for each grade level. Kindergarten through fourth grade will be doing their activities in their classrooms. However, fifth and sixth grade activities involve being outdoors so please make sure they dress accordingly and have gloves for cleaning as well.

Students sent out their letters this week and we are already seeing pledges coming back to school! Rewards are given whenever a goal is met. The goals are as follows:

- \$5,000 - Gum Day
- \$10,000 - US or Team Sportswear Day
- \$15,000 - Wacky Dress Day
- \$20,000 - Special Surprise Activity

When each of these goals are met, a drawings are also held where one child from each classroom receives an additional prize. Students are entered in the drawing if they have received \$10 or more in pledges from each classroom to receive a prize.

## CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

- 09/19/21-\$20>John & Dorothy Sells, Sauk Centre
- 09/20/21-\$20>Ann Noonan, Burnsville
- 09/21/21-\$20>Leon & Diane Roelike, Sauk Centre
- 09/22/21-\$20>Eric & Marcie Middendorf, Sauk Centre
- 09/23/21-\$75>Jana Quade, Sauk Centre
- 09/24/21-\$20>Jim & Carol Klaphake, Sauk Centre
- 09/25/21-\$20>John & Cathy Winters, Sauk Centre
- 09/26/21-\$20>Josh & Emily Ritter, Sauk Centre
- 09/27/21-\$20>Keith Sand, New London
- 09/28/21-\$20>Doug & Teresa Winter, Belgrade
- 09/29/21-\$20>Marilyn Schroeder, Sauk Centre
- 09/30/21-\$20>Vern & Sue Beckermann, Sauk Centre
- 10/01/21-\$75>JoAnn Braegelman, Belgrade
- 10/02/21-\$20>Courtney Loxtercamp, Villard



**24**  
(Friday)



**Caring About People (CAP) Day**

Students and staff may wear hats/caps today.

Thank you to everyone who participated and donated to CAP Day. Together we raised \$300!

Our next CAP day will be Friday, October 29.

**27**  
(Monday)



**Gum Day**

We have reached our first Workathon goal of \$5,000 so we will be celebrating with gum day today!

The school provides gum for each student.

**Oct. 1**  
(Friday)

**Workathon**

Our annual workathon will take place in the afternoon. See "On The Side" on page 1 of this newsletter for more information.

**Mid-Quarter 1 Reports** will be published on School Speak

## Important Calendar Updates

**Mass of Thanksgiving for Rain**

On Monday, September 27, there will be a mass in thanksgiving for rain at St. Peter & Paul Church in Elrosa at 8:30 PM

**Grandparents' Day**

Originally scheduled for **Friday, October 8** but has been postponed and will be rescheduled at a later date this spring.

**Christmas Pageant**

Originally noted as December 16 but will take place on **Tuesday, December 14**





# 1 MILE RUN

## Attention All 1st-6th Graders:

On **Thursday, Sept. 30th** you are invited to run **1 mile** around the school's nature trail. You can race your friends/classmates and see your time!

**\*The SC cross country team will be scattered around the course to help you follow the path\***

All participants are to meet in the elementary gym right after school. The run will start at 3:30 on the north side of Sauk Centre Elementary School. The race will approximately end at 4:30.

**Remember to bring water and**  
**[email@todd.broich@isd743.org](mailto:todd.broich@isd743.org) if you have any**  
**questions.** We hope to see you there!

Parents, friends and family are welcome to attend. Due to any bad weather the make up date will be Friday, October 1.