

November 1, 2016

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Wednesday 11/2/16	Thursday 11/3/16	Friday 11/4/16	Saturday 11/5/16	Sunday 11/6/16	Monday 11/7/16	Tuesday 11/8/16
Cycle A Day	Cycle B Day	Cycle C Day		32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Cycle D Day	Cycle E Day
Leadership Council PK&K Evening Conferences	PK&K Day Conferences 4th Grade Field Trip	6th Grade Field Trip		Open House 1:30-3:30 Book Fair 10:30—3:30	Book Fair	Book Fair

## *A Note from the Principals*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

**SAVE THE DATE! NOVEMBER 17TH . YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!**

Please join us at the Home and School Meeting, November 17. We will begin at 6:30 P.M.

We have a wonderful guest speaker, and some of you may remember him from last year. Dr. Thomas O'Brien, will speak to us on "Pathways to Resilience for Life."

Dr. O'Brien explains:

*Resilience is the process of adapting well in the face of adversity or significant sources of stress — such as family and relationship problems, serious health problems or workplace and financial stressors. It means "bouncing back" from difficult experiences. Research has shown that resilience is ordinary, not extraordinary. Resilience is not a trait that people either have or do not have. It involves behaviors, thoughts and actions that can be learned and developed in anyone.*

Dr. O'Brien is the retired Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, and present Dean of the College of Graduate Studies at Immaculata University. Dr. O'Brien is a life-long learner and educator, and has taught all educational levels: elementary, secondary, undergraduate, graduate and doctoral level. He holds graduate degrees from Holy Family, Villanova, St. Joseph and Southwestern Universities. He holds a B.A. in Elementary Education; M.A. in Counseling and Guidance Services; M.S. in Educational Leadership and Administration; Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology, and an Ed.D. in Educational Administration and Leadership.

Dr. O'Brien (cont'd)

He is a certified teacher, principal, and Supervisor of Curriculum and Supervision. Further, Dr. O'Brien holds National certificates in Clinical Psychotherapy, Counseling, Psychology, and from the Board of the American Psychology Association as a Diplomat. Dr. O'Brien was ordained as a deacon for the Diocese of Camden in 1988, and has served in two parishes in the past 27 years. He is married and the father of six children; the father-in-law of five; and the grandfather of eight.

Mark your calendars for 6:30P.M. on the 17th. You will be glad you did!



Come visit Holy Family's Book Fair Sunday November 6 following QU's 9:30 A.M. Mass until 3:30 P.M. in the Large Hall.

Bring The Family! There's books for everyone.

There will not be an evening Book Fair event on Wednesday. All are welcome on Sunday!

Have a great week!

Mrs. Robinson

Mrs. Haggerty



# GOOD THINGS Are Happening

## OPEN HOUSE

at Holy Family Regional Catholic School

See what all the excitement is about!

November 6, 2016 • 1:30 - 3:30

Meet the Teachers • Parent Ambassadors  
Participate in Activities • Student Tours



### Can't make the Open House?

Call Andrea Pendle at 215-269-9600 Ext. 209  
or email [andrea.pendle@hfrcs.org](mailto:andrea.pendle@hfrcs.org)

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### November 1-2: Día de los Muertos

(Mexico, Central America)

During these two days (November 1 to honor the deceased children and November 2, the adults), families and friends decorate the burial places of their loved ones with altars full of photos, flowers, and the person's favorite things. It celebrates death being a part of life, and has special treats like *calaveras de azúcar* (sugar skulls), awesome costumes, and *pan de muerto* (bread of the dead).

### De noviembre de 1-2: Día de los Muertos (México, América Central)

Durante estos dos días (1 de noviembre en honor a los niños fallecidos y 2 de noviembre, los adultos), las familias y amigos decoran los lugares de entierro de sus seres queridos con altares llenos de fotos, flores, y las cosas favoritas de la persona. Se celebra que la muerte es parte de la vida, y tiene golosinas especiales trata como calaveras de azúcar (calaveras de azúcar), trajes impresionantes, y pan de muerto (pan de los muertos).

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Our CARES program is looking for an adult (over 21) Part-time employee. Please contact Mrs. Mary Ann Potalivo at 215-479-2664 between 8:30—1:00 p.m. for more information.

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## **Holy Family Regional Catholic School 2016 Hawk Walk**

**DONATIONS CAN BE SENT IN THROUGH NOVEMBER 4**

**Remember to contact your employer for matching gift paperwork if applicable.**

**We are currently at 45% participation and have raised \$8800 which is 44% of our \$20,000 goal (think \$52 per child).**

**Just a few more days to send in donations - the online link is still available.**

**Our 2 classrooms with the highest average per student are KB with \$63.80 and 6A with \$34.70.**

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## **Joe Corbi's Fundraiser**

**Just in time for the holidays we'll be kicking off our Joe Corbi's event on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Orders for pizza, snacks and baked goods can be turned in through November 15. Delivery is scheduled for December 15 (make your holiday baking a little bit easier!)**

**Ordering can be done online with a credit card or send in the order form with cash or check. Sell 10 items and be entered into a drawing for \$100 VISA gift card to be awarded in December!!**





## **An interview with Linda Lusher, Holy Family's Second Grade Teacher**

**Q** - What inspired you to be a teacher?

**A** - I have always loved children. I love the look in their eyes, their expressions , and how you can physically see their confidence build when they learn something new or accomplish a task for the first time.

**Q** - What do you hope to achieve as a teacher?

**A** - I would hope as a teacher that I would pass my love of learning on to my students. I want them all to be proud of themselves. My hope is that in some small way I have helped them to grow into strong , confident, moral individuals who will grow up to instill these qualities in others.

**Q** - What do you do when you are not teaching?

**A** - When I am not teaching, one of my favorite things to do is read. I read as much as I can and I love it! Since I was young I have always enjoyed going to the movies; it remains one of my favorite past-times.

My favorite thing is the world is spending time with my family. I am the youngest of five and my family lives throughout the U.S., so when we all get together we have a blast!

Thank you Ms. Lusher



Holy Family Regional Catholic School  
*Presents*

**“A Salute To All Those Who Protect”**

**For:** All Veterans, Police Officers & Firefighters  
(either working or retired)

**Where:** Queen of the Universe Church  
(2443 Trenton Road, Levittown, PA)

**Time:** 9:30 AM

**When:** Veteran's Day – Friday, November 11th



The Kindergarten & Eighth Grade Class invite you to our “Tribute Show.”  
It’s our way of thanking you for all you have done to protect us and keep us safe!  
We will perform new songs and some old classics. We hope you are able to join us!

Please contact **Andrea Pendle** at [andrea.pendle@hfrcs.org](mailto:andrea.pendle@hfrcs.org)  
if you have any questions or  
if you are planning to join us on this special day!



*Thank You!*





## Our Robotics in Action

Highlight “Our Robotics in Action,” Right click and open hyperlink to read an article that was in the Langhorne Times written by Matt Schickling and learn more about how Holy Family is embracing STREAM (Science—Technology—Religion—Engineering— Art -Math.)



### Holy Family Regional CYO Athletic Ministry Cheer Sign-Ups

Cheerleading Sign-ups are being taken online.  
go to [holyfamilyregionalcyoathleticministry.org](http://holyfamilyregionalcyoathleticministry.org)

Fees-Junior/JV Squad (K (age 5)-4th) \$55

2 Additional postdated checks for deposits will also be required at the first practice:

\$50 uniform deposit dated 3/15/17

\$50 volunteer deposit dated 3/15/17

Practices will be held on Wednesday nights in Nazareth Hall from 6:00—7:15 (starting Nov.)

For additional info contact Sue Weed at [usan.weed@hfrcs.org](mailto:usan.weed@hfrcs.org)

### CHEER COACHES NEEDED

Looking for volunteers to help coach—contact Sue Weed



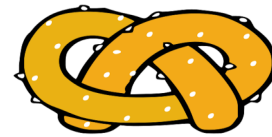
- November 1—All Saints Day Mass 9:30 AM,  
8th Grade Living Saints Museum,  
Winter uniforms begin
- November 2—Evening Conferences PK and K
- November 3—**NO SCHOOL** for PK and K  
Day Conferences
- November 6—Spirit Masses,  
Open House - Book Fair

**Peer Tutoring and Math Help!**  
For students in 4th, 5th and 6th grade  
Every Thursday after school until 4:00 beginning on  
October 27th. See page 8 for more details!

**Enspirited Projects!**  
Exciting new opportunities for students of all grade  
levels! See page for more info!

Looking Ahead

- November 7 thru 11 — Book Fair
- November 11—K & Grade 8 Salute To Those  
Who Protect the USA
- November 14- \$1 Blue Dress Down Day to sup-  
port Juvenile Diabetes



Pretzels orders are due!  
The order form is now posted on the website.



**School Lunch Orders are Due**

No Later than  
November 9



**School Newsletter**

**Have an item for the newsletter?**

Email your information to:

**Andrea Pendle**—[andrea.pendle@hfrcs.org](mailto:andrea.pendle@hfrcs.org)  
by noon on Monday.

Please put in the subject line of your email  
**NEWSLETTER**



We still are still in need of lunch room volunteers  
for our Kindergarten classrooms!  
A lunch room volunteer enables our hard working  
teachers to get a much needed break for lunch! If  
you are able to volunteer, please contact the  
office! Thank you!



ENSPiRiTED PRoJECTS



## **Jewelry Making Class for Grades 2-4 At Holy Family Regional**



Create wearable custom designs with NJ-based Jewelry designer Alyssa Calderone! Make fashionable accessories that will turn heads all throughout the school! Students will envision and execute different forms of jewelry construction. They will learn to understand the color wheel, explore design techniques and experiment with different materials.

Give them as gifts or keep them for yourself!

*Projects include: Earrings, headbands and bracelets*

### **Class Details**

Class Starts on Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>

Class meets on the November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>

After-school until 4pm each session

\$80 per student (all materials included)

To Enroll visit [www.EnspiredProjects.org](http://www.EnspiredProjects.org)

Not sure? Try the first class for free!

Email [colleen@enspiredprojects.org](mailto:colleen@enspiredprojects.org) for info



## Help our school by taking part in these “free money” Fundraisers all year long!

### Box Tops for Education

Box Tops for Education is one of the nation’s largest school fundraising loyalty programs and has been helping schools succeed since 1996. Schools can use their Box Tops cash to buy whatever they need.

Clip Box Tops from any participating product.

Send Box Tops in to school with your child (labeled envelope)

HFRCS earns .10 per box top and they add up fast!

### Campbell’s Labels for Education

Labels for Education is a fun and easy program where families and members of the community work together to earn free supplies.

Clip Campbell’s Labels from any participating product.

Send Label’s in to school with your child (labeled envelope)

HFRCS earns points to buy art supplies and sports equipment.

### Coke Rewards

You can donate My Coke Rewards points to eligible accredited schools grades K-12 and help them get things like athletic equipment, classroom supplies, learning aids and more.

Save caps from any participating Coke products.

Sign up at [www.mycokerewards.com/schools](http://www.mycokerewards.com/schools) and pick Holy Family Regional Catholic School to enter your own codes and donate them to the school

**OR** send caps in to school with your child (labeled bags)

HFRCS earns points to earn supplies



## Redner's Receipts

Using the Redner's Save-A-Tape national program, earn 1% of all of your Redner's purchases in cash for the school.

Register at Redner's for a free Pumps Perk card.

Do your normal grocery shopping at Redner's Warehouse Market – BE SURE TO USE YOUR PUMP PERKS CARD OR THE RECEIPT WILL NOT COUNT

Send the Redner's receipts in to school with your child (labeled envelope)

HFRCS earns 1% in cash for all of your purchases

## Brown's ShopRite Receipts

Using the Brown's ShopRite Save-A-Tape program, earn .5% of all of your ShopRite purchases in cash for the school.

Do your normal grocery shopping at Brown's Family ShopRite – IT MUST BE A BROWN'S STORE, OTHER SHOPRITE STORES ARE NOT ACCEPTED

Send the ShopRite receipts in to school with your child (labeled envelope)

Receipts must be submitted within 5 months

HFRCS earns .5% in cash for all of your purchases

## Shoparoo

All you need to do is take pictures of your grocery receipts with the Shoparoo app made for your smartphone. It doesn't matter where you shop or what you buy – every receipt submitted results in a donation to our school.

Download the free app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store by searching "Shoparoo". Select Holy Family Regional Catholic School as your chosen cause.

Take pictures of your grocery receipts with your smartphone and earn cash for our school.

Since there is no limit to how much money we can raise with Shoparoo be sure to invite your friends.

Help our school by taking part in these "free money"  
Fundraisers all year long!



In order that our volunteers are able to celebrate Halloween with their families, the Pot of Gold drawing has been postponed until Tuesday evening, November 1. All participating families will receive notification of their Pot of Gold voucher credits by the end of this week. Please check your child's schoolbag. All credits will be applied directly to your HFRCS tuition account.



**This was the final week for the Pot of Gold Challenge...  
but  
the Pot of Gold Program  
continues  
ALL YEAR ROUND**

Although the contest for the School ended this week, the Pot of Gold Lottery Program continues all year round. **School families can continue to participate and receive tuition credit 52 weeks every year.**

We created the Challenge to increase awareness of this unique tuition assistance opportunity. The Challenge gives families an opportunity to learn how to participate and understand how the Program works. And, many of our School families have been participating year round for many years, and have earned lots of tuition credit.

So, as a participant in the Pot of Gold Challenge through HFRCS, you are most welcome to continue your participation in the Pot of Gold Program after the school contest comes to an end. Simply continue to sell tickets and send them to the School office by Monday afternoon. Pot of Gold tickets are picked up from the School at 3:00 each Monday afternoon.

And, if your child will be graduating, you can continue to participate and earn tuition credit. You then receive your credit in the form of a check made payable to any educational institution, including high schools, colleges and universities, and student loan programs. So, the Pot of Gold Program provides an opportunity for everyone to participate with the possibility of winning prizes, and the added benefit of tuition credit.

If you have any questions, please call Karen David at 215-946-4040.

Thanks for your participation!