Dear HFGS Families, Faculty, Staff, Students, and Friends,

Happy Super Bowl Sunday!

It was a great celebration of Catholic Schools Week and there is a lot to showcase. We are so grateful for your helping prepare your child follow each daily theme and while assisting them on their regular class tasks and homework. That's the way to go and great job, Holy Family Grade School!!!

Please join me in thanking **Mrs. Patricia Coppola, our Spanish teacher** for being with us during the first semester. Her last day was Friday and our Spanish sub teacher will be **Mrs. Mayra Cervantes, mom of Kamila in 1st grade.** HFGS shall continue to deliver the standards as we serve the need for foreign language instruction for all students . This need is clearly evident in the context of academic achievement, educational reform, and leadership in the global economy. Our school will lay the basic foundation in meeting grounds for the world's languages where Spanish, especially here in California, is predominantly used. There is a 73 page attachment and I encourage you to review starting from **page 19 to 23** and this is the framework we follow on foreign language teaching from the California Department of Education. In addition, it is the same learning continuum for our Spanish program.

https://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/cr/cf/documents/foreignlangfrmwrk.pdf

As we move along, we are investigating some efficient and effective educational apps that can be used in our lab to continue to practice the Spanish language. Know that this will be a continuing topic of discussion with our school administration, Vice Principals, Media Specialist, and Parent Board.

Other important matters:

* All the winners of our Science Contest will be officially announced soon.

* Our Robotics class, supervised by Mr. Krikor Kiladjian, had Ms. Bridget Higgins, an expert in KOOV Robotics. her talk was centered on STEM and she, along with our Robotics students, led the building of small robots with motors using Chrome books.
* February 6th is the 3rd Catholic Math League competition date for our ALA (Academic League & Ambassadors) participants and will be facilitated by Coach Ofie Ruta.

* A **3-hour VIRTUS training for Protecting God's Children** is available this week. Please check the calendar for registration and time.

* Saturday, February 9th is a special day for our 2nd graders' CONFESSIONS with our Religious Education students (10:00 a.m. - 11:30

a.m.) and our community's WINTER DINNER DANCE (6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.).

* Summer School 2019 flyers were distributed. Please start making plans as early as now. Thank you.

<u>School website calendar:</u>

http://localendar.com/public/HFGS-Bulldogs

<u>Fr. Jim's Sunday Message (page 2) of HFCC Bulletin and our GS Faculty</u> <u>Profile (p.5)</u>

https://d2wldr9tsuuj1b.cloudfront.net/20009/bulletins/20190203.pdf

For our prayer meditation to start the week:

"Lord Jesus, teach me to love your ways that I may be quick to renounce sin and wilfulness in my life. Make me whole and clean again that I may delight to do your will."

Psalm 71:1-6,15,17

1 In you, O LORD, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame!

2 In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me, and save me! 3 Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

4 Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel man.

5 For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

6 Upon you I have leaned from my birth; you are he who took me from my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

15 My mouth will tell of your righteous acts, of your deeds of salvation all the day, for their number is past my knowledge.

17 O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds.

The battle for the Vince Lombardi Trophy in 2019 will feature a familiar face against a team making their first Super Bowl appearance in 17 years. It's the Los Angeles Rams and New England Patriots in Super Bowl LIII in Atlanta.

Please enjoy the day and GO RAMS!

- Dr. Suelto