



Where aspiration begins early, and thrives.

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HFGS parents not only send their children to a Catholic school because of the exceptional education the students receive, but also because of the moral values inspired in the students, and the significance of serving to help others. Our HFGS students learn while accomplishments matter and success is important, meaningful achievement needs faith, reason, and character.



Discovery Cube Field Trip



Exploring condensation and evaporation at the Discovery Cube



Demonstrating pulleys, levers, and more...



Silent Ball brain breaks in 5th Grade

5th Graders have really gotten into this brain break game where they have to toss and catch a ball between themselves with no talking; students who mess up have to sit down, until two are left. For fun, the teacher makes the rules for the activity progressively harder, e.g., catching with only one hand, standing on one foot when you do so, etc.



Rock, Paper, Scissors brain break

This traditional student game makes a great brain break in 5th Grade!



“A brain break is just what it sounds like—a break from whatever kids are focusing on. Short brain breaks during work time have been shown to have real benefits. They reduce stress and frustration and increase attention and productivity. The key is to take them before fatigue, distraction or lack of focus set in.”

Important for the Weeks of February 10th and the 18th, 2020

Tuesday, 2/11 – WCEA Accreditation Day #1

8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. – School Mass, HFCC

8:50 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. – Leadership Committee & WCEA Team Meeting, Spanish Room

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. – WCEA Team with Fr. Jim, Rectory

3:20 p.m. – 4:20 p.m. – Faculty & WCEA Team Meeting, Art Room

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Cubs’ Pack Meeting, GSA

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – PTO Board & WCEA Team Meeting, Art Room

Wednesday, 2/12 – WCEA Accreditation Day #2

8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. – Student Assembly led by Student Council Commissioners

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. – Student Council, class representatives & WCEA Team’s meeting, GSA

Thursday, 2/13 – WCEA Accreditation Day #3

3:20 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – WCEA Team with School Administration, Faculty, Staff, PTO Board, and Other School Shareholders, GS Auditorium

Friday, 2/14 – Happy Valentine’s Day

Note: A no school day is held after a thorough school accreditation for all school constituents. Since this is non-federal holiday, child care will be provided from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please let the office know of your interest to avail of the services.

Monday, 2/17 – President’s Day - No School

Tuesday, 2/18 – Celebrating Our Grandparents

8:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. – School Mass

8:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. - Grandparents’ Day at HFCS

Notes:

1. Grandparents will be seated with their grandchild(ren) in Church at 7:45 a.m. The first pews are dedicated for students with grandparents in attendance. A program for grandparents will be held in the GS auditorium. This will be from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

2. Submission of all short fiction and illustration entries. Winners will be announced on March 2nd.

Wednesday, 2/19 – Spring Picture Day

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lifetouch SPRING Individual Pictures. Please let your child wear pastel – colored clothes for a spring picture of a lifetime!

Thursday, 2/20 – Jeans for Jesus

- Happy Lunch March 2020 menu order forms to be returned to school
- Youth Day: Religious Congress, Anaheim, CA

Friday, 2/21 –

- Cub Scout Holiday Shoe Drive for the Homeless ends.
- Religious Congress, Anaheim, CA

2nd Graders' Sacrament of Reconciliation



Congratulations, 2nd Grade and Miss Ty! Our 2nd graders, along with the Religious Education group of students, finally completed their Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation. It is a new beginning of another faith journey for our 2nd graders until they receive their First Holy Communion during Easter.

Thanks to **Fr. Jim, Fr. Marlon, Fr. Sam, Fr. Raja, Miss Elisha Ty, our 2nd grade families, Sandra Rodas, Adan Fernandez, Mrs. Teresa Nelson, Miss Kaitlyn La France, Mr. Mikel Rodriguez, RE catechists, our faculty, staff, and everyone else** who supported this solemn and meaningful event!

A prayerful meditation to begin the week...

"Lord Jesus, let my heart sing for joy in your presence. Give me eyes of faith to recognize your presence and fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may walk in your way of love and peace."

Psalm 132:6–10

6 Behold, we heard of it in Ephrathah, we found it in the fields of Jaar.

7 "Let us go to his dwelling place; let us worship at his footstool."

8 Arise, O LORD, and go to your resting place, you and the ark of your might.

9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness, and let your saints shout for joy.

10 For your servant David's sake do not turn away the face of your anointed one.

References:

Fr. Jim's Message on page 2

<https://hfglendale.org/bulletins>

Grade School Website Calendar

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

Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Their Mission, and Core Values

<https://www.bvmsisters.org/>

Thank you and God bless!

Dr. Suelto

**This Week of February 10th is Holy Family Grade School's Accreditation.
Thank you for your prayers and support.**



The specific purpose of WCEA, Western Catholic Educational Association, is to coordinate the accreditation process by assisting schools in their self-evaluative programs, to establish general standards for excellence in Catholic schools, to grant WCEA Accreditation, and to cooperate formally with regional accrediting organizations as determined by the WCEA Board of Directors. A school accreditation's ISL or Improving Student Learning for Elementary Schools is one of the protocols for WCEA. These protocols are criteria-based and lead the school to do a comprehensive examination of data/evidence related to the areas of:

- **Catholic Identity**
 - **Organization**
- **Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment**
 - **Support Services**
- **Resources (Enrollment, Finance, Development)**

Once the school has reflected on its data and determined its strengths and areas of growth related to the criteria, the most important phase of the process begins: the development of a schoolwide Action Plan. This Action Plan will serve as the guide for the school as it moves forward with the school improvement process.

A guiding principle of WCEA accreditation is that schools are committed to continuous school improvement focused on high achievement for all students.

The school community then prepares for a visit by a Visiting Committee composed of educators who are trained evaluators from other schools with educational expertise.

Reference: <https://www.wcea.org/>

