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

Next week is when we shall hold our faculty and staff professional development/in-service, faculty retreat, decorations of classrooms, receiving of class supplies from families, and more. There is still one week left for our children to enjoy their summertime and get ready to be back to school. Returning is a wholesome and formal routine of our students' learning math, reading, praying, socializing, physical exercises, and other amazing activities that are led by our faculty and staff.

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, we shall be implementing health and prevention strategies that will help protect our Grade School constituents. Please read the attached **memo** from the Department of Catholic Schools Superintendent Paul Escala.

We would like to send our sincere appreciation to Mrs. Mayra Cervantes and her kitchen staff for the food service while Happy Lunch Co. was out for a year and a half. We also would like to remember and include in our prayers the passing away of Mr. Gabriel Rivas, the proprietor of Happy Lunch last week. Gabriel, or Gabby headed our catering service for seven years and was very dear to our community for his friendship, care, and generosity. May he rest in peace and let Perpetual Light shine upon his soul.

For this coming school year, **Ali Catering** will serve HFGS and other Catholic schools around the area. The company is in the process of incorporating our school's menu and online ordering system from their website. This should be more efficient and our online ordering start date will be sometime next week. Ordering, payment, and an email response to each family will all be done easily.

For Fall group and individual photos as well as Spring individual photos will be done through **Bronson Photography**. The **Aguas Photo Studio** will remain as the school's picture company for our 8th Grade Graduation and 2nd Grade First Holy Communion.

We have a new school kitchen for our food service and school events as well as a MakerSpace Room for our Middle School's STEM curriculum that will encompass all processes of critical thinking, analysis, and collaboration where our students integrate concepts in real world contexts of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. We also wish and plan for our school community to learn and say our Catholic traditional prayers in Latin, the language of the Church. This is great news to begin the year and we can't wait to be in another exciting academic year!

For our meditation this weekend:

Lord Jesus, may we never hinder our youth from coming to you to receive your blessing, instruction, and healing power. Make our youth strong in faith and in character that they may follow you zealously. And as we grow with age, may we never lose that child-like simplicity and humility which draws us into your loving presence.

Psalm 16:1-2,5-8,11

- 1 Preserve me, O God, for you take refuge.
- 2 I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."
- 5 The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
- 6 The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; yes, I have a good heritage.
- 7 I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
- 8 I keep the LORD always before me; because he is in my right hand, I shall not be moved.
- 11 You show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

Thank you and have a blessed weekend, Dr. Suelto

References:

Fr. Anthony's Message
School Calendar
Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary