

## Important for the Weeks of April 17th and 24th, 2023

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

We pray that you all had a relaxing Easter break and we all welcome you back to HFGS!

As we return to school campus tomorrow, please keep in mind the last months of the final quarter of the school year; our children's valuable opportunities to grow spiritually, academically, and socially; and in preparing the children for Summer and in their promotion to the next grade level. On this **Divine Mercy Sunday**, we can all pray together this USCCB, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' blessing prayer:

**Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.**

### **New Students in Transitional Kindergarten and 7th Grade**

Please join us in receiving **Sean Thompson** who officially started on April 3rd in our Transitional Kindergarten class and **Brianna Marroquin** who will be joining our 7th Grade class tomorrow, Monday, April 17th. Sean transferred from Precious Blood School and Brianna came from Christ The King School in Los Angeles. Congratulations and we welcome you to HFGS, **Sean and Brianna.**

### **Awards at SHARP Las Vegas Nationals from Athletic Director Mrs. Teresa Nelson**

Congratulations to our HFGS Bulldog cheer and hip hop teams for winning the **SHARP National Championship Title** on Saturday April 8th at the Westgate Hotel in Las Vegas.

**First Place Trophies and medals** were awarded to: Mascot Cheer Team, Puppy Cheer Team, Mighty Mite Cheer Team, "B" Cheer Team, Varsity Cheer Team, and Hip Hop Team.

**National Championship Trophy and Banner** awarded to HFGS

**Judges Award Trophy** was awarded to Hip Hop Team.

**Individual awards:** Toe touch 2nd place, Kiana Gil / Best kicks. 2nd place, Lean Eira Tomines / Toe touch 3rd place, Lean Eira Tomines / Best leaps 1st place, Lean Eira Tomines / Best turns 3rd place, Lean Eira Tomines

**Spectator dance winner:** Jaden Gil

A special thank you to all our HFGS families for their support and school spirit at this and all our competitions throughout the year! Hip Hop will compete at the CYO Hip Hop Dance Competition on Saturday, April 29th at St Mary Academy in Inglewood. Go Bulldogs!

### **Upcoming Events**

\* **Saturday, 4/22/2023** - Earth Day and First Holy Communion for our 2nd Grade

\* **Tuesday, 4/25 - Spring Painting Party 2023** - Painting on canvas and on tiny rocks/stones with a special lesson from our Art Coordinator Mr. Nick Gutierrez, customized HFGS painting aprons, painting materials, snacks, photographs, and more) Come and enjoy this one with your child(ren). \$30/person to join.

\* **Thursday, 4/27** - 8th Grade Retreat

\* **Wednesday, 5/3** - Moms and Muffins

\* **Friday, 5/12** - Spring Concert

\* **Friday, 5/19** - Jog-a-Thon, Fitness Exercise, and Zumba

### **From Mrs. Beatriz Herrera (TK) and Mrs. Teresa Nelson (Kindergarten)**

**TK and Kindergarten students are learning about the 4 stages of Butterfly Metamorphosis. Teachers ordered caterpillars and the children can observe the physical transformation. The students are given a science journal to record their observations by drawing and dictating or writing the changes they observe. They act out the 4 stages of metamorphosis from egg, larva, chrysalis to butterfly and "fly" around the classroom. The children learn the different body parts of a caterpillar and butterfly. They will learn the different types of butterflies and the difference between a moth and butterfly. Once the transformation is complete the students will release the butterflies. The TK and Kindergarten classes will visit Kidspace Museum, in Pasadena, where they will be able to experience "Butterfly Season" in which they will be able to celebrate everything butterflies!**

**Plants and Spring in 1st Grade by Miss Mary Ann Gutierrez**

Since it is spring, the 1st grade has been very immersed in plants! In Literature, we were reading about Frog and Toad and the effort Toad made in creating his garden. Also, in Science we are currently learning about what plants need, what are parts of a plant, and what are different uses for plants in our everyday life. We wrote "A how to plant a seed book" to show a sequence of events before planting our snap peas. Now, we are waiting for them to grow! Everyday, we've been checking if our snap peas have grown a little taller.

**Second Graders' Charlotte's Web from Miss Alexandra Isaac**

2nd grade students have begun their unit on Charlotte's Web. It is the first time they are reading a chapter book as a class, and they are so excited! We are blessed to have a copy for each student and we rotate between teacher-led and student-led reading. After each chapter, students use their reading comprehension skills to answer questions and channel their creativity by drawing pictures that correlate with the chapter they just read. We will also be incorporating hands-on projects throughout the book, such as creating digital informational flyers, character studies, and group posters.

**For submission of registered students on or before May 11, 2023 in preparation for the 2023-2024 school year:**

1. HFCS Parent Agreement SY 2023 - 2024 (2 pages)
2. iPad Acceptable Policy (1 page)
3. Parent Notification for the Administration of Medication at School (2 pages)
4. Extended Care Registration: MC, Morning Care and ASC, After School Care (1 page)
5. How Children Go Home After School (1 page)
6. Acceptance of Parent-Student Handbook (1 page)
7. Start of the Year: Sports Physical Form (2 pages)
8. Authorization for Counseling (1 page)
9. Emergency Form

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**Mon. 4/17 - Classes resume.**

**Note:** Student Council campaign speeches due.

**Tues. 4/18**

**8:00 a.m. -8:50 a.m.** - School Mass

**9:30 a.m - 12:00 noon** - 2nd Graders' FHC Individual photos with Joey Aguas' Studio Photography , GSA

**3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.** - Faculty Meeting, Computer Lab

**Wed. 4/19**

**8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.** - Student-of-the-Month Assembly, GSA

**12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.** - Talent Show Dress Rehearsals

**7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** - PTO General Assembly, GSA

**Thurs. 4/20** - Jeans for Jesus

**8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.** - TK/Kinder - 2nd Grade Let's Go Eco! In Celebration of Earth's Week

**12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.** - Talent Show Dress Rehearsals

**Fri. 4/21** - Loaves and Fishes Day

**12:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.** - Talent Show

**Note:** Summer School 2023 Registration begins.

**Sat. 4/22**

**10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.** - FHC, First Holy Communion Day of 2nd Grade, HFCC

**Sun. 4/23**

**9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.** - ALL 2nd Grade FHC students are to attend their Sunday Mass in their communion outfits.

**Mon. 4/24** - PD, Professional Development Day - No School.

**Tues. 4/25**

**8:00 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. - School Mass**

**9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - Spring Painting Party 2023** - Painting on canvas and on tiny rocks/stones with a special lesson from our Art Coordinator Mr. Nick Gutierrez, customized HFCS painting aprons, painting materials, snacks, photographs, and more) Come and enjoy this one with your child(ren). \$30/person to join.

**Wed. 4/26**

**8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.** - 8th Grade Field Trip to The Museum of Tolerance with Mrs. Ashley Liberda

**Thurs. 4/27**

**Note:** 8th Grade Retreat begins with 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass at HFCC. This will be with Mrs. Ashley Liberda and Miss Alma Stone coordinating.

**Fri. 4/28**

**9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.** - TK, Kindergarten, and 1st Grade classes' Field Trip to Kidspace Museum

**A prayer meditation to begin the week**

Lord Jesus Christ, through your victory over sin and death you have overcome all the powers of sin and darkness. Help me to draw near to you and to trust in your life-giving word. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and strengthen my faith in your promises and my hope in the power of your resurrection.

**Psalm 118:1-4, 13-15, 23-24**

1 O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever!

2 Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures for ever."

3 Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures for ever."

4 Let those who fear the LORD say, "His steadfast love endures for ever."

13 I was pushed hard, so that I was falling, but the LORD helped me.

14 The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

15 Hark, glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,

22 The stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner.

23 This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

24 This is the day which the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

We welcome you all back and have a blessed Divine Mercy Sunday,  
Dr. Suelto

**References:**

Fr. Anthony's Message

School Calendar

Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary