

Important for the Weeks of April 3rd, 10th, and 17th 2023

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

Palm Sunday and Our Gratitude

We send our deep appreciation to **Mrs. Marirose Martinez** and **Mrs. Cecile Nouh** for ordering the palm leaves, **Mrs. Griselda Lopez** - in charge of the palms from among our parent volunteers, **Mrs. Bautista, Mrs. Nelson, Mr. Makiling, Cheer Coaches, our wonderful students, Fr. Anthony, Deacon Ron Baker, and to both our GS families and HFCC parishioners** who patronized, supported our Cheer teams and Concert Chorus, and heard Mass in commemoration of the triumphal entry into Jerusalem, a narrative in the four canonical Gospels, describing the arrival of Jesus in Jerusalem a few days before the crucifixion. (Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11: 1-11, Luke 19:28-44, and John 12:12-19.) A million thanks.

Some Upcoming Events

- * **Tuesday, 4/4/2023** - PASSION PLAY is moved to **9:30 a.m.** Our 8th graders will need enough time to change into their costumes right after the School Mass for their performance.
- * **Saturday, 4/22/2023** - Earth Day and First Holy Communion for our 2nd Grade
- * **Tuesday, 4/25** - Spring Painting Party
- * **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 Miss Alma Stone, 3rd Grade Homeroom

3rd grade students have finished reading *Because of Winn Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo and really enjoyed the book as a whole. We took a deeper look into each of the characters and what special lessons they brought to the story and made connections to the relationships they have in their own lives. We are following up the reading of the book with an in-class project where the student gets to pick 1 of 2 projects and can either pretend to be Opal and have text message conversations with other characters or draw up a blueprint of the perfect house for Opal and her family. We will be concluding the unit with a *Because of Winn Dixie* party where we will bring aspects of the book to life, watch the movie, and complete a compare and contrast activity of the book and movie. Students continue to find the lessons taught in the book applicable to their daily life and love making the connections.

From Ms. Katy Huntley - 4th: Holy Family Feud!

Students, already divided into teams for collegial and behavioral purposes, compete with each other on Science and Social Science topics. Students record multiple choice, true/false, and fill in the blank questions/answers to quiz their classmates. The teacher and various students serve as the Game Show Host, and two students serve as The TallyMan to keep score. Theme music is also played to lend authenticity to the program. Winning teams receive bragging rights and improved assessment scores.

From Mr. Clarence Clark, 5th Grade - Special Projects to begin in Advanced Learners Program

Mr. Clark and a small group of parents have been planning to begin the Special Projects sessions of the school's Advanced Learner Program. The curriculum will be focused on the themes of Structures and Speed for K/1st-2nd Graders and Flight and Falling for 3rd-7th Graders. The former will include a variety of land and water-based activities for students that develop problem solving and working in teams. The older students will delve into activities involving flight and gravity. Participation in Special Projects will be by invitation only. Students will be expected to have a high level of motivation and the ability to work independently and in small groups.

What to expect from Family Envelopes this Wednesday

A packet of Start-of-a-New School Year forms for those who **registered for SY 2023-2024** will be sent home this week. This will be done so parents may be able to read and fill out the forms during the Easter break. The packet contains items that are to be returned to Holy Family Grade school office **on or before May 11, 2023**. These are forms in preparation for the **2023-2024** school year.

1. HFGS 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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Sun. 4/2 - Palm Sunday

Mon. 4/3 - Recycling Day

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - DCS - ADLA's, Department of Catholic Schools - Archdiocese of Los Angeles Budget Meeting

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - General Rehearsal of Passion Play, GS Auditorium

Note:

1. Jog-a-Thon, Fitness Exercise, and Zumba Fee = \$175/child due through FACTS Management System
2. Student Council applications are due.

Tues. 4/4 - Noon Dismissal

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

9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. - Passion Play, GS Auditorium

12:00 noon - Early Dismissal

12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m. - After-School Care

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - PTO Board Zoom Meeting

Wed. 4/5

Note: International Computer and Information Literacy Study to be held with 8th grade students and Dr. Krikor Kiladjian

Thurs. 4/6 - Holy Thursday

12:00 noon - Dismissal

12:00 noon - 6:00 p.m. - After-School Care

Fri. 4/7 - Good Friday. No School

Sat. 4/8 - SHARP International Cheer Championship at The Westgate Hotel, 3000 Paradise Road, LV, NV 89109

Sun. 4/9 - Happy Easter!

Mon. 4/10 - Sun. 4/16 - Easter Break

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

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

Sat. 4/22

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

A prayer meditation to begin the week

Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life, and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honored as the King of glory!

Psalm 24:3-10

3 Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD? And who shall stand in his holy place?

4 He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false, and does not swear deceitfully.

5 He will receive blessing from the LORD, and vindication from the God of his salvation.

6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob. [Selah]

7 Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

8 Who is the King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

9 Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

Thank you.

Dr. Suelto

References:

Fr. Anthony's Message

School Calendar

Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary