Important for the Weeks of February 20 and 26, 2024

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

Join us for a Grand Play Day on Wednesday, 2/21/24 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Come rain or shine, we're excited to welcome TK/Kindergarten through 3rd-grade students and their guests to HFGS for a day of learning and fun. Our Primary School team, including lead teachers Mrs. Nelson, Miss Sacop, Miss Gutierrez, Mrs. Soliman, and Miss Stone, has designed an engaging curriculum program for the day. While there may be some light rain in the forecast, it is expected to be manageable, and we are prepared to ensure everyone's safety. We'll also provide light and safe refreshments for all attendees. Children aged four (or a few months younger) through eight, accompanied by their parents, will gather in the GS auditorium. We look forward to a wonderful day of learning and fun on the 21st!

<u>President's Day</u>

As we honor President's Day this Monday, let us reflect on the significant role played by the highest leadership position in the history of the United States of America. It is a day to pay tribute to and remember the US Presidents who have guided our nation with fairness, justice, and a commitment to the common good. Let us recall the values of peace, freedom, and justice that have shaped our country's history. Enjoy the significance of this day as we honor the leaders of our nation.

Lent: Friday Stations of the Cross & Meatless Dinners

Last Friday, our Grade School community participated in the Stations of the Cross, led by Mr. Clark, Mr. Makiling, and the Student Council. It was a meaningful opportunity for reflection and prayer as we embark on the season of Lent.

Join us every Friday and on Friday, **March 1st**, for the Grade School's PTO hosting of Friday meatless dinner. Following our Church Mass and Stations of the Cross, our PTO volunteers will be serving a baked potato bar with soup and fruit, while our Concert Chorus will provide musical entertainment. Save the date: **March 1st from 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm.**

Science Contest Winners

We are thrilled to announce the winners of our recent science contest. Special thanks to Dr. Krikor Kiladjian, our Science teachers, and student participants for their dedication and hard work. The contributions highlight the tremendous impact of science, research, observations, and experiments in our lives today. The final list of awardees is to follow.

TK – Miss Alana Sacop	1 st Grade	2 nd Grade
The Four Seasons	Miss Mary Ann	Mrs. Alexa Soliman
1st Place: Liam Castrejon	Gutierrez	Plants & Their Life
2nd Place: Hannah Lee	Animal Habitat	Cycle
3rd Place: Santiago De Paz	Diorama	
Honorable Mention: Kora		1st Place: Xavier Villa and
Nguyen	First Place:	Eli Grant
Kindergarten	Mars Gunter and Santiago	2nd Place: Jeremy Alconcel
Mrs. Teresa Nelson	Varela	and Maverick Alberto
Diorama of Animal	Second Place:	3rd Place: Lexeen Garcia
Habitat	Meghan Cacal	and Oleksandr Balynsky
1st Place: (Tie) Agatha	and Janaiah Rojas	
Teodoro and Sol Cordero	Third Place:	
2nd Place: (Tie) Mason	Pablo De Paz Cabrera	

Aguayon and Eina Sarfean 3rd Place: (Tie) Rylie Valdez, Roe Roxas, Maryam Almeralla Honorable Mention: (Tie) Isabella Martinez and Zoe Moreno 3rd Grade Miss Alma Stone Science Projects, Ideas, & Experiments 1st Place: Adaline Salunga and Luke Guzman Hernandez 2nd Place: Zayla Abel and Zeke Abel 3rd Place: Dayla Yapana	4 th Grade Ms. Katy Huntley The Scientific Method 1st Place (Tie): Bella Sarfean and Howl Hodges 2nd Place (Tie): Charles Atienza, Zoe Castrejon, and Josiah Prado 3rd Place: (Tie): Conor Cortes and Mason Chacon 4th Place: Magnus Gunter Honorable Mention Julian Abdoush Dawson Miraballes	5 th Grade Mr. Clarence Clark Multicellular Organisms 1st Place (Tie): Nicholas Arias and Trinity Villanueva 2nd Place (Tie): Josiah Cruz and Christopher Gonzalez 3rd Place (Tie): Miles Bulaon and Jacob Maldonado Honorable Mention:
		Dominic Fulgencio Evan Funn
6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8th Grade
Mr. Jose Hernandez	Dr. Krikor Kiladjian	Dr. Krikor Kiladjian
	The Function and	Buoyancy and
Plant Experiment	Structure of DNA	Archimedes' Principle
1st Place: Mikelle Leyson		
2nd Place: Caleb Wong	1 st place	1 st place group (tie):
3rd Place: Tristan	group/individual (tie):	a. Noah Samuy, Grant
Miraballes and Alex Kodo	a. Elizabeth Ilano, Maikka	Jonke, and Zechariah
<i>m</i>	Lamiel, Alexander Tejada,	Flores
Truss Bridge	Ethan Guzman Hernandez	b. Kaseidy Kochoa and
Engineering 1st Place: Atasha Duano-	b. Emily Gibson, Sofia	Alexis Gonzales
Perfecto	Portillo, and Jerric Dayrit c. Camille Gammad,	2 nd place group:
2nd Place: Zoe Klebes	Autumn Braden, and	a. Miarose Flores, Emma
3rd Place: Emma Baradas	Angela Leynes	Aguilar, and Isaac Acosta
and Caileigh De La Cruz	d. Kendall Ballestero	b. Audrey Monilla, Lean
Catotocan	2 nd place (individual):	Eira Tomines, and Cailey
	Emma Mercado	Villanueva
	3 rd place group:	
	Jacob Nagano, Calix Salunga, and Christopher	3 rd place group: Shanessa Dias, Isabella

Math Quiz Bowl

On Thursday, we had the pleasure of welcoming some of our parents and grandparents to witness student representatives in the final round of our Math Quiz Bowl held in the GS Auditorium. The rigor and practice of our Math lessons and exercises continue to lay a strong foundation in our math curriculum, enabling students to comprehend and solve challenging math problems. Over the years,

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we have seen an increase in overall student math achievement, evidenced by our STAR data, classroom explorations, and the acceptance of our 8th graders to various prominent high schools in the area. Our 7th Grade Academic League representatives have demonstrated excellence, ranking first in the nation in the Catholic Math League, while our 8th grade remains in third place. We are proud of the dedication and hard work demonstrated by all our students as they prepare themselves for higher levels of math learning.

SAVE THE DATES and help circulate the information:

Wed. 2/21 - Grand Play Day

Friday, 3/1 - 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. HFGS & Concert Chorus to host the Friday meatless dinner in the GS Auditorium

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Mon. 2/19 - President's Day - No School

Tues. 2/20 - Happy Birthday, Mrs. Leonora Bautista.

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

10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon - Church Meeting

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Faculty Meeting

Note: Submission of all Short Fiction and Illustration entries

Wed. 2/21

8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. - Grand Play Day for TK through 3rd Grade & Guests

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - SFPR, San Fernando Pastoral Regional Meeting for Pastors, Principals, & Superintendents at Bishop Alemany High School

Thurs. 2/22

8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Fire Station #22 Field Trip for Kindergarten and 1st Grade

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - California Junior Scholarship Federation - CJSF Applications for 7th and 8th Grade students only, 8th Grade Classroom

2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. - Student Council vs Faculty Volleyball Game

Fri. 2/23 - Happy Birthday, Dr. Krikor Kiladjian.

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

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - Stations of the Cross, GSA for the Lower Grades and Outside Stations for the Upper Grades

4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - Parish Fellowship Friday Meatless Dinner

Mon. 2/26

8:40 a.m. - 11:10 a.m. - Confessions for 3rd through 8th Grade

11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - Deanery 6 Principals' Meeting

Tues. 2/27 - Happy Birthday, Miss Vania Chileno and Mr. Tom Makiling

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

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Faculty Meeting

7:00 p.m. - Finance Council Meeting (via Zoom)

Wed. 2/28

8:30 a.m. - 5th Grade Field Trip to the Reagan Library

Thurs. 2/29

8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - 8th Grade Field Trip to the Battleship USS Iowa Museum

Fri. 3/1 - Loaves and Fishes

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. - Stations of the Cross, GSA for the Lower Grades and Outside Stations for the Upper Grades

4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - HFGS hosts the Parish Fellowship Friday Meatless Dinner with a baked potato bar, soup, and fruit. In advance, thank you, PTO volunteers, Concert Chorus, HFGS families, and parishioners.

Note: Letters of acceptance from Catholic High Schools will be mailed to our 8th Grade families.

Sat. 3/2

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - 2nd Grade & RE, Religious Education classes' Sacrament of Reconciliation

A prayerful meditation to begin the week

Lord Jesus, be the Master and Ruler of my life. May your love rule in my heart that I may only think, act, and speak with charity and good will for all.

Psalm 19:8-10, 14

- 8 The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;
- 9 the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever; the ordinances of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community, Dr. Suelto

Attachments:

* Reasons Families Choose Holy Family Grade School Short Video

References:

<u>Fr. Anthony's Message</u> <u>School Calendar</u> <u>Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u>