

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

## REVIEW/PREVIEW

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August 19, 2013

### Dates to Remember

- 8/18 - Varsity Volleyball Tryouts 3:00PM to 5:00PM  
8/20 - JV Volleyball Tryouts 3:00PM to 5:00PM  
    Back to School Night for Preschool to 4th Grade  
8/21 - JV Volleyball Tryouts 3:00PM to 5:00PM  
8/22 - School Picture Day  
    Back to School Night for Grades 5 to 8  
8/23 - Parent Club Mtg. 8:15AM  
8/29 - Band/Baton Visits the classrooms  
8/30 - Choir Starts 7:00AM  
9/2 - Labor Day Holiday—No School  
9/3 - Band/Baton Starts 7:00AM  
9/6 - Min. Day. Mass 8:30AM

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### Back to School Night

Tuesday, August 20, 2013

- Preschool 5:00PM  
Kindergarten 5:30PM  
1st Grade 6:00PM  
2nd Grade 6:30PM  
3rd Grade 7:00PM  
4th Grade 7:30PM

Thursday August 22, 2013

- 5th Grade 6:00PM  
6th Grade 6:30PM  
7th Grade 7:00PM  
8th Grade 7:30PM

**From Our Principal Mr. Suarez:**

**Our Back to School Swim Party was Spectacular!**  
Thank you to Mrs. Busch, Mrs. Tumiaty, Mrs. Warren and Mrs. Cospo for your hard work making this such a fun event.

**Picture Day is Thursday, August 22, 2013.** Fliers with envelopes went home with your child. Please send them back to school on or before Thursday.

The Catholic School Department (CSD) is in the process of developing a list of candidates to replace me as principal of HFCS. Once the CSD and Fr. Soria have completed the interviewing process and a candidate is selected, an announcement will be made to the school community. Thank you for your continued support as I serve as principal of HFCS until August 28, 2013. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.



Mrs. Hernandez:

**Newsletter sent to parents email address! If you did not receive this information please email me at [nhernandez@holyfamilyca.org](mailto:nhernandez@holyfamilyca.org)**

**Curriculum:**

**Reading:** The Little School Bus **Genre:** Animal Fantasy

**Writing:** Practice writing first names, letters Aa-Ee, #1

**Sight Words:** I, am (memorize) **Test on Friday.**

**Vocabulary:** first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth (practice)

**Religion:** God's Love Creates the Universe

**Bible Story:** Creation

**Math:** Graphing (pictographs) AB patterns identify shapes (circle, oval, triangle, rectangle, octagon, and square.) **Test Friday on shapes.**

**Social Studies:** Cooperation in a group community

Mrs. Polnasek:

Welcome back to school and welcome to *Second Grade!* I look forward to sharing a wonderful year with you and your children! Thank you for getting the school supplies needed for this year. Please don't forget to bring in \$5 for the school folders that your students will be using as their homework folders. You may send that in with your child or bring it to Back to School Night on Tuesday at 6:30PM. This week we will also be having school pictures on Thursday. Monday and Wednesday will be our P.E. days, so please have your child wear their gym shirts on those days along with tennis shoes. I hope to see you all Tuesday night!

**This Week at a Glance:**

Language Arts: character and setting, short vowels, complete sentences

Math: number sense, time, addition facts

Religion: Our Church Welcomes Us

Science: matter

Social studies: American symbols and holidays

Mrs. Chapman:

Welcome to our first full week! I am looking forward to meeting everyone at "Back to School Night" Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00pm. Don't forget picture day is this Thursday August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our assigned time is 9:00am. The first homework packet will go home with your child on Friday August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please return completed work on Friday August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013. If you signed up for a volunteer assignment, I will be contacting you to discuss your assignments. Blessings and have a super week!

This week's Curriculum: Religion: Prayers (Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be) Math: Graphing Phonics/ Language Arts: Story: Farmers Market (Realism and Fantasy) Consonants V, Y, Z, U, and Q. Grammar: Expanding simple sentences

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Mrs. Piegaro:

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a restful summer vacation.

Third graders spent last week reviewing procedures and expectations. Students did a great job and are ready for their first full week of school. We have a full schedule and I hope to see all third grade parents at Back to School Night on Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

This week we will read "When Charlie McButton Lost Power" in language arts. Our spelling words will include short vowel sounds. Our weekly language arts test will be given on Friday and will include spelling, phonics, vocabulary, and reading comprehension. We began chapter 1 in religion last week and will take our first test on Wednesday. Students are encouraged to bring their religion books home during the week to review lessons. Students completing the online chapter review at [www.blestarewe.com](http://www.blestarewe.com) and emailing ([cpiegaro@holyfamilyca.org](mailto:cpiegaro@holyfamilyca.org)) the results before Wednesday will receive 2 extra credit points. In math, we are reviewing many second grade concepts. Students will have a fact assessment (+0, +1, and doubles) on Thursday as well as a written assessment on Friday. We will begin our new social studies program this week with a test on Friday.

Mrs. Sedgwick:

I would like to welcome back all of our returning families and teachers this year! A special welcome to our new families and teachers who will be joining us! Our Rock Star for the week is Drew Altobell. We will read the realistic fiction story called, "Yang the Youngest." We will learn about declarative and interrogative sentences in grammar. Our focus in spelling will be on short vowel words. We will take all language arts tests on Friday. In math, we will learn about sequences, place value, numbers through 999, missing addends and expanded form. We will begin chapter 1, *God's Goodness*, in religion. Our chapter 1 test will be 8/27. Don't forget to complete the BAW review and email me the results for 2 extra credit points. In social studies, we will learn about "Where in the World is California?" We will have PE on Mondays and Wednesdays this year. Please remind your child to put their shirts in their backpacks and we will change here. I look forward to seeing everyone at Back to School Night tomorrow from 7:30-8:00 PM. Have a wonderful week!

Mrs. Altobell:

The fifth grade is off to a great start! We start our first full week ready to go! We will be reading the story "Red Kayak" is language arts. We will take our first weekly tests on spelling, grammar, comprehension, and vocabulary on Friday. Be sure to check the "Family Times" newsletter in your child's communicator folder. In math, we will be working on lessons 1-5 this week. We will begin our science unit on the solar system this week, as well as our social studies unit on geography. In religion, we will begin Chapter 1. I look forward to seeing you on Thursday at 6:00pm for Back to School Night!

Mr. Luippold:

Hello Holy Family!

Let me begin by saying how excited I am to be here. If at any point you'd like to contact me, please feel free to email me at [rluippold@holymfamilyca.org](mailto:rluippold@holymfamilyca.org). I will be checking this often.

This week all grades, 6, 7, & 8, are still getting back into the swing of things.

**6th grade** will begin the week with an introduction to a weekly paragraph assignment. A parent letter should be coming home regarding this. Please read, sign, and return this sheet by Wednesday. Additionally, the class will begin the first unit in literature, vocabulary, and spelling.

**7th grade** will also begin the week with an introduction to the weekly paragraph assignment. Please expect to see the parent letter Monday. On tap for the remainder of the week are the first unit in spelling, vocabulary, and literature.

**8th grade**- Monday will I will introduce the class to a daily paragraph editing exercise. These exercises will culminate with a writing project on Thursday. The class will begin units in literature, vocabulary, and spelling.

Additionally, I will be covering the Year Long Project which I will be assigning the class.

I look forward to meeting with you all on Back to School Night.

Have a great week.

and...

GO RED SOX!

Mrs. Remick:

Welcome back. I would like to extend a special welcome to our new 7<sup>th</sup> graders- Antonio, Katarina, and Nataly and new 6<sup>th</sup> grader Mardon!

All junior high students were asked to cover their Social studies and Science books by today. I delivered student planners to all 7<sup>th</sup> grade students and we took the time to enter the school calendar in the planners. Most students paid for their planner, but there are a handful of students that still owe \$5.00. Picture Day forms went home on Friday. 7<sup>th</sup> grade is scheduled for pictures on Thursday at 1:15. PE uniforms are required beginning this week. Visit the office if you need to purchase PE clothes.

6<sup>th</sup> grade Social studies: We will begin Ch.1 Early Humans. Students should expect a quiz after each section.

6<sup>th</sup> grade Science: We will discuss what Earth Science is and what we will be learning this year.

7<sup>th</sup> grade Social studies: We will begin Ch. 1 The Fall of Rome. Students should expect a quiz after each section.

7<sup>th</sup> grade Science: We will discuss what Life Science is and what we will be learning this year.

8<sup>th</sup> grade Social studies: We will begin Ch.1 The Age of Exploration. Students should expect a quiz after each section.

8<sup>th</sup> grade Science: We will discuss what Physical Science is and what we will be learning this year.

Mrs. Hendry:

Welcome back to school!!!! We had a nice transition back last week. Can't wait to meet the new Junior High families and see some familiar faces at Back-to-School Night this Thursday, August 22nd. If you would like to make sure I have your correct email address, please send an email to [chendry@holyfamilyca.org](mailto:chendry@holyfamilyca.org) with a little note confirming this is the best email address to reach you. Please include your child's name and grade either in the subject line or body of the email.

**Religion:** In all classes, we will be getting acquainted with the textbook and identifying some key topics we will be covering this year.

**Math:**

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade** will work on Lessons 1-4

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade** will work on Lessons 1-4

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade** will work on Lessons 1-4

**Math Lab** begins this week. I will be available every Monday and Wednesday from 3:00-4:00 in my classroom. No sign ups necessary.

Mrs. Patterson:

New parents, I encourage you to stop by my classroom during back to school night this week.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Welcome to sixth grade. This will be an exciting year for all of us. Our class has completed the first three lessons. I will be giving an assessment at the end of this week or the beginning of next week. I will upload re-teaching sheets to edline for your students to use to prepare for the test.

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Wow we are in the seventh grade! How time flies. This week we will be reviewing prime numbers and creating rational numbers from equivalent fractions. There will be an assessment at the end of the week.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

Welcome back eighth graders. We flew through the first seven lessons last week. We will be having an assessment at the end of this week. Don't worry we will be slowing down a bit as the year progresses. These first few weeks are just review for our brilliant eighth graders.

Special Note:

Math Lab will be on Tuesday from 3:00 – 4:00 every week

Mrs. Olmedo:

Bienvenidos al nuevo año de escuela y la clase de Español.  
Welcome to the new school year and to Spanish class.

My name is Mrs. Olmedo or should I say, Señora Olmedo. I can be reached at [jolmedo@holyfamilyca.org](mailto:jolmedo@holyfamilyca.org) should you ever have any questions.

We have some exciting news.

K-8<sup>th</sup> grade will be having Spanish twice a week.

We have purchased classroom sets of textbooks for grades 2-3 and 4-5. We have also purchased the teacher edition of the K-1 program so that we can give the students a strong foundation in foreign language. Back to school night is a busy time but I will have the classroom open if you would like to stop by and take a look at the books.

Please keep an eye out for worksheets, journals, and on occasion, homework coming home. I will try my best to keep the edline calendar updated with any important dates as well as updating the files on edline with the latest wordlist.

With the use of textbooks, Spanish for all grades will become more conversational than just English words with their Spanish translation. Please encourage your child to practice at home. I have included fun websites on edline that the students can use from home.

I am looking forward to seeing all your familiar faces and meeting all the new students.

Gracias.

Art/Mrs. Biller:

SLE: B-3

State Standard: 1.0 Artistic Perception; 1.4: Concept of Proportion

Student Objectives: students will accurately define proportion and demonstrate knowledge of concept using supplied pieces of artwork; students will create a piece of artwork in which proportion is evident.

Genre: Impressionism/Post Impressionism

Featured art museum: Legion of Honor, San Francisco

Featured art exhibit: Impressionists on the Water

Hello! Thank you for art materials! My, there is a variety of Sculpey clay! Note: any received items will be used – a sample item is in the front office, if you have not completed purchase.