

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

REVIEW/PREVIEW

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Dates to Remember

1/6/2014 - School Resumes - Welcome Back!

1/10 - Minimum Day - Noon Dismissal

Mass 8:30AM - Formal Uniform

Uniform Exchange - 11:30AM to 12:30PM

1/14 - Geography Bee 2:00PM

CSAC Meeting 5:00PM

1/15 - Lazy Day \$1 - Sponsored by Student Council

1/20 - No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

1/24 - Parent Club Meeting 8:15AM

Religion Decathlon

Holy Family Catholic School 21st Annual Auction Gala 2014

8 weeks until Puttin' on the Ritz Auction Gala!!!

Basket donation information, ideas and donation forms will be sent home with your child Tuesday, January 7th and collections will start Friday, January 10th at Prayer Garden.

You will also find all information on-line, beginning Wednesday, January 8th. Extra copies of information and donation forms are in the office.

There will be prizes handed out to each child that donates a basket of any denomination as well as a class competition for the class that donates the most baskets. The winning class will have a party they plan with their teacher!

Look for your Auction invitations and raffle tickets in the mail early in February.

Please contact Tara Paton or Lynn Senner if you would like to volunteer. There are plenty of areas where you can earn your parent points!!!

Thank you for your continued support!

From Our Principal Mr. Ditter:

Happy New Year to all of our Holy Families! Welcome back to school.

Basket campaign starts this week for auction. Please bring unwrapped filled baskets to prayer garden on Fridays to be collected by auction volunteers.

Thank you to Bob and Judy Ditter for your generous donation of library books for our school library.

Catholic Schools Week starts Sunday, January 26, 2014, with **Open House** from 10:00AM to 11:00AM. Monday, January 27th is **Grandparents' Day**. The **Book Fair** will run all week.

The drawing for **Character Counts** is Tuesday, January 7th. Students who receive a T-shirt may wear them on Wednesday, January 8th.

Acuity Interim Two Diagnostic Assessments for grades 3 to 8 will be administered on the following dates:

Monday 1/13 - 5th

Tuesday 1/14 - 6th

Wednesday 1/15 - 7th

Thursday 1/16 - 8th

Friday 1/17 - 4th

Tuesday 1/21 - 3rd

Christian Brothers High School Placement Exam for incoming Freshmen is Saturday, January 18, 2014. Online applications are due on January 15, 2014. Students must check in by 8:45AM and will be finished by approx. 12:30PM. Visit the website for more information www.cbhs-sacramento.org.

8th Grade Washington DC Fundraiser

If you received new electronics for Christmas, please save your older unwanted devices for the E-Waste collection on

Saturday, February 1, 2014

9:00AM to 1:00PM

Holy Family Parking Lot

More information to follow

Student Council

Student Council is hosting a **CAN DRIVE** to benefit Make A Wish Foundation. Please see attached flier with more information.

December 9th to January 15th

Lazy Day is January 15th

For \$1 students may wear comfy clothes including sweat pants, yoga pants, basketball shorts.

No pajamas and no hats.

P.E. Classes

Mrs. Marsolais

All classes do a 5 minute warm up. This consists of various exercises and running.

K-4th Grade: We are working on Standard 1, Concepts 1.1—1.4. This includes balance, spacing, and patterns. We use balloons and small stuffed animals.

5th-6th Grade: Standard 1, Concept 1.1—1.6. This includes motor skills, movement patterns, and personal space. We use balloons and small objects.

7th-8th Grades: Standard 1, Concept 1.1—1.5. This includes running and dance movements.

Catholic Schools Week

January 26 - January 31, 2014

Sunday

Mass 9:00AM

Open House 10:00AM - 11:00AM

Book Fair

Monday

Grandparent's Day

Book Fair

Tuesday

Parent/Clergy Appreciation Day

Book Fair

Wednesday

Student Appreciation Day

School Free Dress Day

Book Fair

Thursday

Knowledge/Service Day

Baby Food Jars Collected

Book Fair

Friday

Teacher Appreciation Day

Book Fair

Grades K - 5 / Puppet Show

Grades 6 - 8 / Movie and Popcorn

Mrs. Hernandez:

Welcome back to school! I missed the children dearly and it was time to get back into routine. I hope everyone enjoyed the extra time with family. Thank you to everyone for the very thoughtful and appreciated Christmas gifts. That was very loving and Mrs. Hanson and I appreciate your generosity.

This month we move into preparation for Catholic Schools Week, January 26th-31st 2014. Open House and the start of the school Book Fair is January 26th (Sunday) and Grandparents Day is Monday. Our student parent project is to create a shoebox diorama with the theme "All About Me." Directions can be found in the Student Communication Folder. This is a required project and it is due no later than January 23rd. It should be fun and it will be really interesting for families to view at Open House. Our classroom theme for the School Auction is going to be sports team related. More details will follow but please send in \$10.00 for our base project. We have 25 students so this will give us \$250.00 to work our project around. We will be collecting sporting event tickets, memorabilia, gift cards etc. Anything you can donate to help us make an awesome project we greatly appreciate! Each classroom creates a project for the school auction. It is auctioned off to help raise funds for our school. It's a great adult night! I encourage you to go...SOOOO FUN!!! Thank you and have a blessed week.

Mrs. Chapman:

Happy New Year!!! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year Celebration. Thank you again for the wonderful Christmas Gifts and cards.

A special thank you to Addy's mom and Parker's stepmom for preparing the foam board church patterns for the classroom!

Before the break we voted to see which carpet was the favorite choice for our classroom. An ocean themed reading carpet was the unanimous winner. The new carpet will be arriving on Monday, January 13th, 2014.

Reminder: This Friday, January 10th is our all school Mass and a minimum day.

Math- Measurement **Social Studies** - Purpose of rules and laws **Week 13 Science:** Botany **Phonics/Language Arts:** / **Story:** Jan's New Home / **Grammar:** Verbs **Religion:** Jesus Promises the Holy Spirit **Week 13**

Mrs. Polnasek:

Welcome 2014! I hope you all enjoyed your holidays and break as much as I did. We come back full force as we now prepare for Catholic Schools Week at the end of the month and I start the introduction of Reconciliation. One of our big projects for CSW is our Famous Americans and Saints report. Your child will choose their person of interest to report on at school and I will provide the reading material. Please look in your child's homework folder for further detail. Permission slips to attend Mass with Jesuit students were sent out before break. If you have not returned it with a signature, please do so as soon as possible. If we do not have enough drivers we will not be able to attend. The next parent formation meeting for our sacraments is January 12th from 2:00-3:30. I look forward to seeing all of you and your children!

Language Arts: Long i, theme and plot, prediction, verbs (Test Fri)

Math: addition algorithm, facts: -1, venn diagram, time (Test Fri)

Religion: Ch. 5 We Choose What is Good

Science: Investigating Forces and Work

Social Studies: Famous Americans and Saints

Mrs. Piegaro:

Happy New Year! This week in language arts we will read "A Symphony of Whales." Students will take their weekly language arts and spelling tests on Friday. There are no math assessments this week. Students will have their chapter 14 religion and week 11 social studies test on Friday. In science, we will continue our Physics unit.

Book report packets went home today. Students may select a book from our school library or bring one from home. Once your child has selected a book, please have them bring the book to class so that I may record the title and author. We went over the requirements and my expectations for this project in class today.

Please join us on Friday for our all school Mass at 8:30 a.m. Students are required to wear their formal uniform.

Check our class calendar on edline for homework information, testing details, and schedule changes.

Mrs. Sedgwick:

Welcome back! I would like to thank all of my students for the lovely Christmas gifts! You are so good to me! Thank you to those families who helped provide treats for our Christmas party, especially Mrs. Macias for helping with our craft. I wanted to thank my students for their fantastic performance at the Christmas Program. Your version of "Mary, Did You Know" was amazing! I am so proud of you! Holly Pollock is our Rock Star this week. We will have our next math cumulative and facts tests on Wednesday. A practice test will come home for review on Tuesday night. Our social studies week 17 test will be on Thursday. We will have our chapter 11 religion test on Friday. We will complete our unit 3 cumulative review this week in language arts, there will not be any language arts tests this week. Instead of spelling words three times each, there will be a few pages of our packet to complete for homework. Please make sure that language arts packets come back to school each day. As you know, Mission Report Notebooks are due January 16. Mission Projects are due January 24. Mission Presentations will be the following week. Dates are posted on our Edline calendar. Have a super week!

Mrs. Mandel-Sonner:

Holy Family welcomes Mrs. Mandel-Sonner to our "family"!!

Mrs. Altobell:

Happy New Year! Welcome back! This week we will be reviewing the skills and vocabulary from Unit 3 in language arts. We will not have a weekly test on Friday. In math, we will be focusing on the relationship of fractions, decimals, and percents. We will not have a math test this week. In science, we will work through Chapter 3 on Structures of Organisms. We will take our week 16 test in social studies on Wednesday. In religion, we will be focusing on the Lord's Prayer this week, and take our Chapter 12 test on Friday. Don't forget that **ALL** money is due for the Marin Headlands trip by Wednesday, January 15th. Have a great week!

Mrs. Remick:

Welcome back, I hope everyone had a wonderful and blessed Christmas vacation. Thank you for all the Christmas gifts and well wishes.

My family and I had an amazing trip to New York City for my son's Make- A- Wish. We met the NY Giants Football Team, attended the Giants practice and the Giants vs Redskins game. We also were able to extend our trip and visit many NYC sights.

Student Council's Make-A-Wish Can Drive is under way; please send in aluminum cans and plastic bottles for recycling. Together we **CAN** help **Make-A-Wish** come true! The Can Drive ends on Jan. 15, so please send in your donations today.

6th Social studies: We begin Ch. 5 Early China.

6th Science: We begin learning about Earthquakes in Chapter 5.

7th Social studies: We begin Chapter 6, Medieval Europe.

7th Science: We begin Chapter 5, Genetics and Heredity.

8th Social studies: We begin Chapter 7, Foreign Affairs in the Early Republic.

8th Science: We begin Chapter 7, Acids, bases, and Solutions.

Mrs. Hendry:

Welcome back to school! I hope you all had a Blessed Christmas. I am very excited about this New Year! We are about halfway through this school year. Before you know it, it will be graduation. I will dedicate a little time this week to discuss the timeline and my requests for the rest of the year. The \$10 Auction donation is being collected. The students on flag duty this week are **Carson H. & Nick M.** and our Safety Patrol student is **Christina G.** Thanks for volunteering!

RELIGION: Keep up-to-date on EdLine.

Our prayer for the months of January is the Apostles Creed.

6th Grade will work on Ch.6. Passover and Eucharist Celebration.

7th Grade will begin Ch.13 with the discussion of the Seven Sacraments. This is the beginning of our preparation of Confirmation.

8th Grade will be tested on the St. Michael Prayer. We will begin work on our next project: Who Are Our Ancestors in Faith?

MATH: Keep up-to-date on EdLine.

Note: If Acuity is scheduled for next week, I will prep for those assessments instead. This will be moved to the following week.

6th Grade will work on Lessons 38-40 and Investigation 4. Our Power Up & Cumulative Test 7 is on Thursday. I will provide the lessons study to the students as well as post on Edline.

7th Grade will work on Lessons 42-46. Our Power Up 8 & Open Note Quiz is next Tuesday. I will provide the lessons study to the students as well as post on Edline.

8th Grade will work on Lessons 38-40 and Investigation 4. Our Power Up & Cumulative Test 7 is on Thursday. I will provide the lessons study to the students as well as post on Edline.

Math Lab will be on Monday ONLY this week from 3:00-4:00 in my classroom.

Art/Mrs. Biller:

HAPPY NEW YEAR! I AM SO HAPPY WITH HEARTFELT GIFTS...THANK YOU!

Thank you, as well, for generous donations of ribbon, tile, and pinecones. Your support of the art program is greatly appreciated!

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State Standards:

2.0 CREATIVE EXPRESSION Creating, Performing, and Participating in the Visual Arts

Students apply artistic processes and skills, using a variety of media to communicate meaning and intent in original works of art.

2.1 Use one-point perspective to create the illusion of space.

2.2 Create gesture and contour observational drawings.

Student Objectives: create an original piece of artwork depicting one-point perspective related to features. Students will identify the art genre of cubism and the artist Picasso verbally identifying multi-point perspective.

Mrs. Patterson:

6th Grade:

Sixth grade is zooming along in our curriculum. This week we will review our basic triangles and how we classify those using angles and sides. We will also investigate symbols of inclusion and applying the order of operations to each expression. Adding positive and negative numbers will also be introduced. The concepts address the common core standards 6.NS3 and 6.NS8, 6.G1&2

7th Grade:

Seventh grade is using the Algebra I book to explore polynomials. All of the homework you see on line will be referring to this curriculum. I feel this is a building block that is essential for your students to understand, and sets them up for success next year when they begin Algebra I. Please look for a rubric coming home in the month of January. This will cover the grading system I use to grade their factoring books. These factoring books will be counted as a test. Since we are in an Algebra I book, these concepts will not be found in our common core standards.

8th Grade:

Eighth grade will continue with factoring trinomials this week. These concepts are essential for moving into solving quadratic equations and solving complex rational expressions. The concepts we will be exploring address the common core standards 8.EE1 & 5, 8.F.1 & 8. Please note that our students are in an Algebra I book, and the common core standards for the state are asking for only eighth grade math standards.

Special Note:

Math Labs have changed. I will not be conducting math labs on the second Tuesday of each month. Your students may still attend Mrs. Hendry's math lab on Monday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Olmedo:

Kindergarten and 1st Grade will begin their lesson on days of the week and months of the year, seasons, and holidays.

2nd and 3rd Grade will begin their lesson on the home, la casa. They will learn to name the outside of a home and the various rooms of a home.

4th and 5th Grade will begin their lesson about money, banks, and restaurants. They will be able to name people and things found in banks and restaurants and talk about giving things to other people.

6th Grade This week we will work on practicing the vocabulary words consisting of daily activities, snack foods, likes and dislikes. We will also state our preferences about favorite activities.

7th and 8th Grade practiced using the verb *tener* before we left on vacation. This week we will practice using the present tense of -ar verbs as in the word hablar.