

Home and School Meeting

Date: 19 Jan 23

Time: 7:00p

Welcome by Caroline, and opening prayer given by Father Alex

Father's Remarks – Fr Alex

1. "Positive Image. God created us in his image – good." Parents, encourage your children. Speak to them about the about all the positive in their lives: their marvelous school and their dedicated teachers. Remind them to appreciate the education they are receiving. We all know the school is doing an amazing job.
2. Parents and families be generous with your time, talents, and tithe. The price of one child's education per year is approximately \$5,200.00. 80% of that figure goes to pay for our school. There are other considerations such as supplies and maintenance. Support the upcoming school auction. Again, be generous.
3. Common Program. Rather than individual classroom celebrations, (Halloween, Valentine's, etc.), the school will begin to celebrate as a family, a gathering of students, teachers, and parents. This will begin the next school year.
4. Sunday Celebrations. Parents, bring your children to church. Set a good example. Looking toward non-uniform coupons for perfect mass attendance.
5. Excited to begin the summer youth program "Totus Tuus." This will be held July 16-21, 2023. Young grades will meet in the day and older grades in the evening. Father assures us that it is a highly successful and rewarding program that children enjoy.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Hooley

Mrs. Hooley thanked everyone who participated in the Self-Study in preparation for the accreditation visit that will happen in March. This process is completed every six years. More information will be coming as the school prepares for our five visitors.

A few reminders:

- Drop-off and pick-up procedure. Please be sure to pull down to the end of the building before letting your students out. For safety, have them walk in front of your vehicle rather than behind. Remember to walk against the building, stay on the sidewalks, and use the crosswalk when crossing Broadway. It is never safe to walk in the drive.
- Health screening will begin again.
- In February, we will be holding safety programs for the students.
- Friday, April 28, will allow the students to invite a special or grandparent to be their guests.
- Mrs. Hooley thanked everyone for their stewardship. HFS fundraisers fund such activities as, 1) end of the year picnic, 2) Teacher's Week, 3) 8th grade Olympics,

4) CSW treats and other items, 5) library books and supplies, and other necessary items as they arise

Additionally, a brief outline of Catholic Schools Week (Jan 28-Feb 3) activities was shared:

- Saturday – Mass at 4p followed by school open house
- Sunday – Skating party at Scottie's from 4-7p
- Monday – Wear your HFS gear (or colors); 2p short presentation followed by parents in the classrooms
- Tuesday – Wear something from somewhere you've visited; service projects
- Wednesday – Pajama Day; Movie and snack in the gym
- Thursday – Wear your sweats; 100 ways we show kindness, 7-8 volleyball game
- Friday – Wear your CSW shirt; Eucharistic Adoration 9a-12:30p; early out

New Business - Caroline

HFS is in need of volunteers for 1) Teacher's Appreciation Week, and 2) End of the year picnic. Parents were advised to contact Amelia in the office or Mrs. Hooley if interested.

Committee Reports:

Amanda Smith, VP, reported that the Charleston Wrap yielded approximately \$6000.00 in profits for the school.

Adrienne Long reported that the Scholastic Book Fair sales allowed the school and teachers to earn \$1300.00 in Scholastic Bucks to be spent on book purchases for the library and classrooms. A special thank you to all the volunteers.

Auction Updates:

Amanda Ericson updated the progress of the annual auction to be held Feb 11. The committee is still accepting donations, however as of Friday, Jan 20, they won't appear in the program as it's headed to the printer Monday, January 23.

Kara Viorel provided a clearer picture of the gas raffle. There will be a Facebook Live drawing for the \$100 cash. That entry will be returned to the pot for the auction drawing for 250 gallons of gas.

Leanne Hinds and Lindsey Anderson explained the Wine Pull. Donations (either wine or cash) are being accepted. Tickets will be available for \$20 each for the pull. There will also be chilled wine to serve for the evening.

Class Basket organizers shared their grade level and the theme of their basket.

Meeting adjourned until January 2023

The president closed the meeting with a drawing for a gift certificate. Men only!

Next meeting will be held April 20.