

From the Principal's Desk

May 18, 2017



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Holy Spirit School

*Celebrating 50 Years of Inspiring Minds and Igniting Hearts
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It's Gonna Be A Great Day!

My favorite day of the year has finally arrived...Field Day! Honestly, I look forward to this day with great anticipation each year and love seeing the excitement on the students' faces and watching them compete in good fun while supporting each other through it all.

I wish to express my thanks to the many, many folks who will be with us tomorrow and helping to make the day a great one. The sheer number of parents needed to act as team coaches and to help feed all of our students is huge - we cannot run events such as these without you.

A special thank you to two people in particular: Mrs. Jessica Driscoll, the PTO Field Day Chairperson, and Ms. Joanie Gregas, Holy Spirit's P.E. teacher. Each of them logged a tremendous number of hours to put together this fun event. Thank you!

We have over 200 registered runners for Saturday's 5K Spirit Run. It is not too late for you to run/walk if you have not yet registered. There will be a race day registration opportunity out at the park. Please show your support for our amazing Resource program by participating in the race or making a donation to the cause.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible next Wednesday for Lunch on the Lawn. This is an opportunity for you to come and have lunch with your children out on the front lawn of the school and spend a bit of time relaxing and listening to our wonderful student band. It is important to

remember there is NO hot lunch on that day - all students must have a bag lunch with them (or many parents opt to bring a special lunch treat when they come). Students will eat during their usual lunch period - see the flyer below with the times. This event takes place rain or shine (if, by chance, it rains we will be in the gym).

The PTO will have an end of year Used Uniform Sale on Wednesday, June 7th from 3:00 - 5:00pm. If you have donations, you may drop them off at the school office; please be sure all donations are clean and in good condition with no holes or stains.

I encourage all Holy Spirit School supporters to take a look at the new selection of Spirit Gear (the link to the store is available in the PTO Highlights). The school receives a percentage of each sale - what an easy way to help support all of the programming that takes place each year.

A hard copy of all of the PTO committees went home earlier in the week (and is available in the PTO Highlights). I cannot stress enough how much parent involvement it takes to do everything for your students that we do each year. If you have never chaired an event or been active with the PTO - this is your chance! Get involved!

Along that same line - the PTO via the homeroom parents has been seeking donations for the class baskets for the November Fire & Ice Auction. Again, if you have not donated, please consider so doing - the baskets are a large source of revenue during the auction and the auction committee would like to have all of this in place prior to the end of the year. Despite a November date, there will be little time between the start of school and the event to finish everything. Thank you to those who have already donated!

For those families who have not completed their service hours under the PTO's PSSC program, letters will be going home next week outlining hours that are still outstanding. If you have completed hours but have not yet logged them, please take the time to do that in the next day or two.

A reminder that all outstanding financial accounts must be settled by the end of the school year. This includes tuition, Extended Day balances, missed recess duty fees, library fees, etc.

Have you logged into our new Learning Management System, PowerLearning? If not, please do! We will be pushing out a short survey regarding the system in a few weeks and we would like everyone to have a voice in that survey. If you need assistance logging in please contact Learning@holyspiritflames.org. As a reminder usernames are FIRST.LAST name and those in grades 3-8 have reset their passwords to match their holyspiritflames.org (Chromebook) login.

-Maureen Ashby

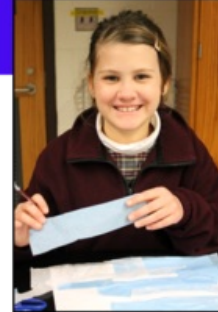
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Holy Spirit 2016/2017 - Building the Future through Faith and Family



Holy Spirit's 4th Annual Art Show: Art that makes us feel!

Thursday, May 18th, please join us from 7-8:30 pm, for the opening reception of Holy Spirit's 4th annual art show, *Art That Makes Us Feel*. The show will be on display in Meeting Room 3 (the old cafeteria) and will stay up through Friday, May 19th until 3:30 pm. Refreshments will be provided at the opening reception. Hope to see you there!



Would you please join us??

We have so much art to share with you!

We hope to see you there!



It's here! It's here! Field Day is tomorrow!

Team assignments will be revealed to students on Field Day morning in their homerooms.

Field Day T-shirts, provided by the PTO, will be distributed to the students at that time.

Students should wear their gym uniforms and comfortable running shoes. Keep in mind they may get wet and dirty.

Students may bring labeled hats and sunglasses.

We will have water stations with cups. However, students may bring a reasonably sized, labeled water bottle. Please do not bring anything other than water, as it may attract bees.

Apply sunscreen to your students before they come to school. Sunscreen containers are not allowed at school.

Please ensure that your children eat an appropriate breakfast to prepare them for a day of physical activity.

Medical Conditions: In the event that any children are currently suffering from some type of temporary physical disability or injury, or are currently wearing or using any assistive device, they will not be allowed to compete on Field Day. Other accommodations will be made for these students. Those who suffer from allergies should take into consideration we will be outside most of the day.

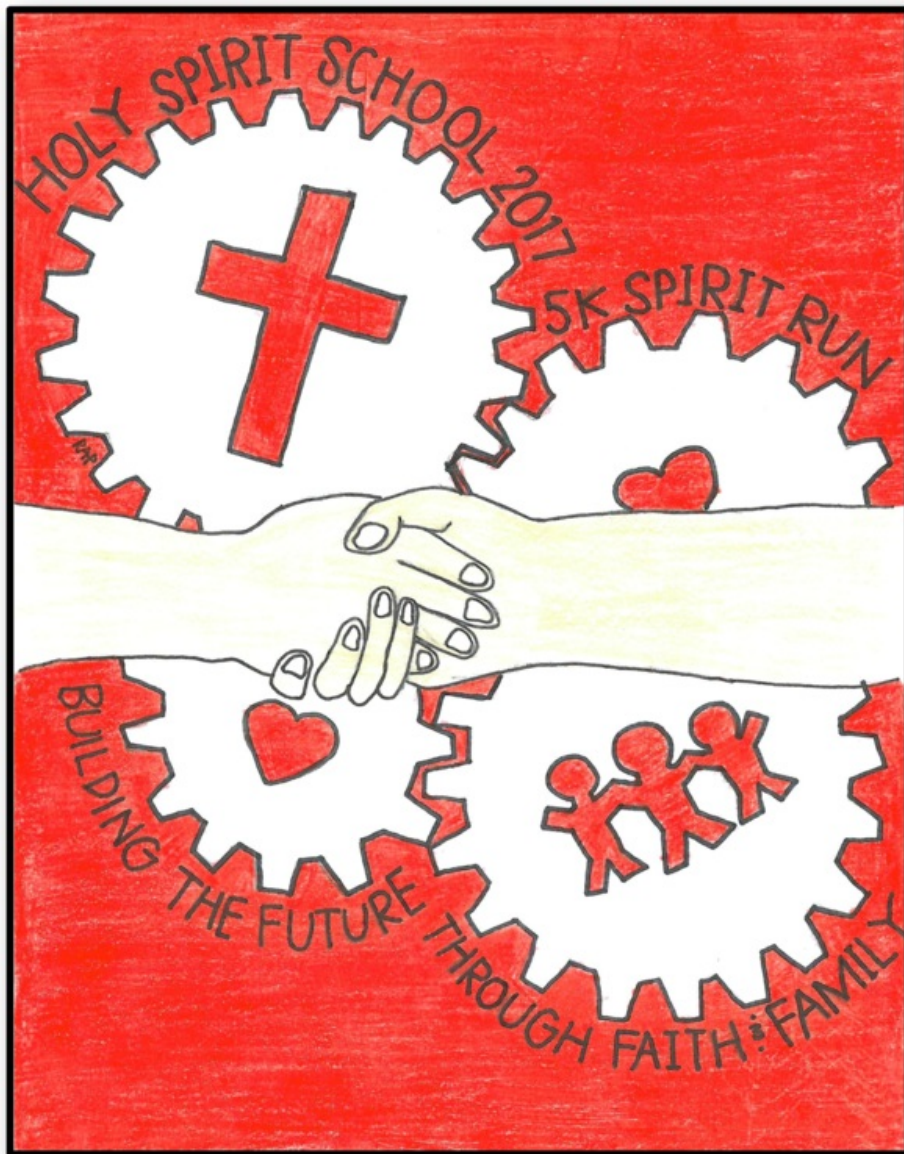
Food: We will be providing popsicles during morning break, Domino's Pizza and water for lunch, and ice cream sandwiches during the afternoon. Students who are allergic to any of these

items should bring their own snacks/lunches.

Field Day goes on RAIN OR SHINE

And the fun doesn't end after Field Day...
Saturday is the 5K Spirit Run!

If you haven't had a chance to register, you can always
register on race day!
Join us at Burke Lake Park for a great 8:00 am run - what
a terrific way to start your day!



[Click here to register!](#)

It's right around the corner!

*Lunch
on the
Lawn*



May 24, 2017

6, 7, 8th Grades 11:15-12:00

3, 4, 5th Grades 11:50-12:35

K, 1st, 2nd Grades 12:25-1:10

Students should bring a bag lunch and a towel/blanket on which to sit. We will eat on the parish lawn and enjoy the entertainment of our very own band.

Parents are encouraged to join us!

Please do not forget there is NO hot lunch served this day.



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school supplies for next year?

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Kindergarten	\$69.00
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2nd Grade	\$56.00
3rd Grade	\$68.00
4th Grade	\$73.00
5th Grade	\$82.00
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Starting now thru July 15th

1. Go to www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks
2. Enter the school ID, **HOL134** (3 letters/ 3 numbers)
3. Follow the directions to complete your order.
4. Keep your online confirmation as your receipt.

Orders will be charged tax at checkout.

School supplies will be delivered to the school and available at the August Open House.

For questions, please contact the school office at 703.978.7117

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Spring Box Tops Collection

It's time!

By popular demand we are bringing back the *Boys vs Girls* competition and will run the collection through the end of the year.


Who will have bragging rights? Keep watch on the coming bulletin board in the school lobby.

Please use the collection sheet located in the Family Folder section. Thank you for supporting our efforts!

Check it out...

FunBot is offering four 1-week camp opportunities here at Holy Spirit this summer

Holy Spirit families will receive \$100 off any two-week camp in McLean or Arlington when using the code SPIRIT



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Lunch Menu

Please remember that beverages are **not** included in the cost of the hot lunch meals. If your child is having milk or bottled water with lunch that must be paid separately (the link is available under the *Current Families* tab).

[Click here for the May/June lunch menu](#)



Family Folder Flyers

The following flyers can be found on the website in the folder labeled "May 18, 2017" (or follow the links here) For your convenience, some flyers are repeated:

School Flyers:

1. [7th & 8th Grade Dance at Nativity flyer](#)
2. [7th & 8th Grade Dance permission form](#)
3. [Lunch on the Lawn flyer](#)
4. [Box Tops for Education Collection Flyer](#)

Parish Flyers:

1. [Vacation Bible School flyer](#)

Community Flyers:

1. [PVI Soccer Camp brochure](#)
 2. [Bishop Ireton Camp brochure](#)
 3. [Typing Boot Camp flyer](#)
 4. [FunBot Flyer](#)
 5. [Spotlight on the Arts flyer](#)
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