



HCCS NEWS

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Principal News

As we approach the 2015/1016 school year, the search for a worthy successor to Mr. Grogan continues. Fr. Granito has charged the Principal Search Committee with finding the perfect candidate, someone who can seamlessly continue the superb work done by Mr. Grogan and even improve upon it. We are advertising the position in all the places one might expect to find an experienced classical educator. Until then, many of the school's administrative duties are being shared by our first-rate faculty.

New Student Orientation

If you are new to Holy Child, welcome! We will have a K-8th new student orientation at **6:30 PM on Thursday, August 13th.**

Just after the orientation, at **7:00 PM**, we will have a **Meet & Greet** at which you can meet your student's teacher and tour our new classrooms!

Holy Child Catholic School is ready for another great school year!

As the summer break draws to a close, students invariably fall into one of two categories; those who can't believe summer's already over and wish it would never end, and those who have longed for the school year to begin again. How or why your student falls into either of these camps is an age old mystery.

Whatever your student's view of the impending school year, you can be assured that August 17th marks the beginning of another challenging, exciting, spiritually enriching year at Holy Child Catholic School. We have excellent enrollment in all grades, wonderful new additions to our already excellent faculty, and we have made some exciting changes to our classrooms. In short, there will be plenty to keep us busy and interested this year.

HCCS welcomes our new teachers!



Elizabeth (Beth) Doherty is our new 3rd and 4th grade teacher. She is originally from Edgewood, NM and has a B.A. in English Language and Literature from Christendom College in Front Royal, VA. After living and working in Pennsylvania, Rome, and Vermont, Ms. Doherty is honored

and excited to be teaching the 3rd and 4th grade class at Holy Child Catholic School. Please join us in warmly welcoming Ms. Doherty to Holy Child!

A Few Things to be aware of for the new school year

Here are a few important items for the new school year:

- The first day of school is **Monday, August 17th!** Mark your calendars and get an alarm clock at the ready!
- Our start time is 7:55 AM sharp, so students need to be at school and report directly to their classrooms no later than 7:50 AM.
- If you are still in need of uniforms, please visit Dennis School Uniforms (897-7727). We also have used uniforms for a discounted price at the school. Please contact Deb Figge for details.
- Before and after school care is available. Please contact the office at 281-3077 to make arrangements.



Ei'Li's Grabe has 20 years of education experience in many places, including New Mexico, Washington D.C., Philadelphia, and Ireland. She has experience in early childhood, elementary, and middle schools and has been a catechist at Our Lady of the Annunciation and San Felipe de Neri in Old Town. Ms. Grabe will be assisting

us as a floating teacher this year. Welcome, Ms. Grabe!

Grounds Clean Up Day

Thanks to all the volunteers who came out on August 1st and weeded, raked, and mowed the playgrounds and soccer field. It was a long and hot day, but



the grounds look immensely better for it. Thanks also to Mr. Sagastume for organizing the day. Please remember that each family is required to volunteer 20 service hours per year.

Volunteering opportunities are plentiful- please ask Deb Figge if you need some ideas.

Gray Studio Violin Instruction

We are once again pleased to offer violin instruction to our students by Emily Gray. Introductory violin instruction in the Suzuki method will be offered to Kindergarten through 2nd grade students. This is an excellent (and inexpensive- lessons are partially subsidized by Holy Child) way to introduce your child to the violin. Students will be trained in proper playing technique with the goal of playing beautifully 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star' by the end of the first year. Families can look forward to several performances during the school year. For more information, contact Emily Gray at 407-4771 or mlebrook@hotmail.com.