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## NEWSLETTER

August 17, 2016

*The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.* Psalm 23

### PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

#### Parent Association Pool Party



School Mass – Please join us for our first school Mass on Friday, August 19 at 8:30 AM. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Subsequent school Masses will be on Wednesdays. Let us begin our school year growing in wisdom and understanding.

Parent Association – A big thank you to our Parent Association for their great work organizing the parent work days and organizing the pool party. We appreciate your support!

Contact information – The interim principal’s email is [jcamacho@archokc.org](mailto:jcamacho@archokc.org). When the interim principal is not at HTCS, her designee in charge will be the second grade teacher, Ms. Jaryn Meyer.

Dismissal – Thank you for cooperating and following the directions of the faculty and staff during dismissal. We appreciate your attention for the safety of our students and staff.

Instructional time – To maximize instructional time and minimize disruptions to student learning, please be sure to check-in at the school office rather than going directly to classrooms. Once students have been dismissed from the morning assembly, parents and visitors should exit the building so that classes may begin promptly.

Conferencing with teachers – While teachers are conducting instruction and supervising students, please refrain from engaging in conferences with teachers. Teachers will be happy to meet with you, but please call or email to make an appointment. Thank you in advance for understanding.

Tardy students – Students who are tardy should first check-in at the school office.

Reminder: Students should wear sneakers/tennis shoes Tuesdays and Thursdays for PE class.

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Important dates – First Reconciliation is scheduled for February 4 at 10:30 A.M., and First Holy Communion is April 29 at 5:00 P.M. at Holy Trinity Catholic Parish.

School accounts – If any financial obligation for the 2015-2016 has not been paid, please contact the interim principal [jcamacho@archokc.org](mailto:jcamacho@archokc.org), to set up an appointment to make payment arrangements.

Office move – The current principal's office will be used for art class, Team 21 activities, and possibly sign language class. The change will hopefully be complete by the end of September.

Bus riders – With the start of the school day now beginning at 8:00 A.M., students who ride the bus should still arrive at the first bus stop at the Catholic Pastoral Center at 7:30 A.M. If we find that the bus regularly is not arriving to school by 8:00 A.M., then we will adjust by five minutes to 7:25 A.M.

New water fountains – Students are encouraged to have a moderate sized water bottle at school to stay hydrated. Please fill it at home with water only. Students may refill as needed. Please mark with child's name.

Free or reduced lunch application – Please return completed forms to the school secretary. A new application is required each year to qualify. Without a new application, last year's benefits will expire on September 26.

Volunteers – All persons who would like to work or volunteer at HTCS, must complete the entire process, which includes an application, reference checks, a criminal background check, a signed Code of Conduct, Safe Environment (SE) training, and an interview with the principal. The entire process must be successfully completed before an applicant will be permitted to volunteer. We hope that you will volunteer!

Auction committee – The first auction committee planning meeting is tonight, August 17 at 6:30 PM in the library.

Safe Environment training - The next class for safe environment training is Wednesday, August 24 at 6:30 PM in the school library. If you would like to volunteer at HTCS, please call the school office for the required forms to complete.

Circle of Grace Curriculum – PK3-8th grade students receive instruction on how to stay safe, to protect themselves, and to communicate to trusted adults any potential or actual danger. The curriculum is available in the principal's office for review. Teachers will begin teaching the curriculum on September 12. All students will participate in the instruction unless an exemption form (available in the office) is completed by a parent and returned to the school office by September 9.

Sport physicals – Please remember that all students participating in a sport at HTCS require an athletic sports physical on file with the school by September 1.

Archery – Students who will participate in archery are required to participate in a safety training. The training is scheduled for August 27 at Sacred Heart in El Reno. The course begins at 8:00 A.M. and ends at 4:00 P.M. Please contact Mr. Woolley for more information [mwoolley@holytrinityok.org](mailto:mwoolley@holytrinityok.org).

Endowment Fund – The tickets may be purchased from the office for \$100 each. If you win, your name goes back into the hopper for the next drawing. The first \$100 drawing will be the first full week of school. Congratulations to the winner of the \$1,000 Knights of Columbus Carnival drawing: Mike Grellner. CONGRATULATIONS!

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