



# HRS NEWS

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Dear Parents, Students and Staff,

Please find included in today's parent pack a copy of the **approved 2009-2010 school year calendar**. (Find it on the back of page 3 of the Newsletter.) Before the start of the 2009-2010 school year, you will receive another calendar with details specific to Holy Rosary Catholic School.



Also included in today's parent pack is a letter describing **MAKE UP DAYS PLANNING** for the eastside Memorial feeder schools. Please note that for Holy Rosary, the planning beyond Day 5 is for *potential days that have not yet occurred*. Let's all hope that we're all finished with snow, ice, wind and loss of electricity for this school year! ☺

We are also pleased to announce that we have created an **online newsletter** that will enable us to quickly and effectively distribute information to all parents and families of Holy Rosary Catholic School. This newsletter is sent to all registered email addresses and will contain information such as last minute schedule updates, updates on school closings, and other events going on around the school. This will not take the place of the Parent Pack, but rather be used as a supplement to it. Totten Hall parents can sign up, too! After experiencing lengthy power outages during the recent snow/ice event, this was conceived as an alternate means to communicate with you. Power outages and other events that would normally close the school will not affect the ability to send this newsletter. You may register as many email addresses as you wish (home, work, etc.) but each must be registered separately.

Please take the time to register your email address by clicking on the Newsletter Subscription icon located in the right margin of the web site, or select the "Subscribe to our Newsletter" link from the menu under "Current Families" on the website.

In addition to this communication effort, for the 2009-2010 school year, Holy Rosary, along with the other schools of the diocese will be subscribing to a communication outreach program similar to that which Memorial High School and EVSC implemented in the fall of this school year. This program will allow us to make one phone call and have all HRS families called on multiple phone numbers with updates and messages in case of emergency as well as other updates or reminders for other events and programs throughout the school year. Please watch for additional information regarding this in the future!

May God bless and keep you and yours!

Joan Fredrich ☺



**February 12, 2009**

**Next Newsletter: February 26, 2009**

The Holy Rosary School Newsletter is published twice a month and sent home in the Parent Pack on Thursdays. Deadline for articles for the Newsletter is **Tuesday by 3 p.m.**



## "Winter Blahs"

No matter what corner of the country you live in, February just does not have as much personality as some of the other months.

It is a month of flu bugs and "winter blahs."

There are feasts and festivals hidden in the weeks to come that can brighten the winter.

February 14, Valentine's Day, is on a Saturday this year.

Presidents' Day

is Monday, February 16.

On Tuesday, February 24, it's time to celebrate Mardi Gras, the festival of food and fun that helps us get ready for Lent, which begins the next day, Ash Wednesday, February 25.

**CURRENT STUDENT REGISTRATION FORM FOR 2009-2010**



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**Please return the form as soon as possible so we can plan for class sizes for next year. Thank you.**



**NEWS FROM AROUND THE SCHOOL**



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

February	16	<b>School in Session</b> —Presidents’ Day
	18	Spirit Dress
	19	MASS—8:15 a.m. (5-D plans)
	25	MASS—8:15 a.m. (4-G plans) Ash Wednesday
	27	Free Dress/Popcorn
March	2-11	Spring 2009 ISTEP+ grades 3-8 (Progress)
	4	Spirit Dress
	5	MASS—8:15 a.m. (4-J plans)
	6	Last Day of Quarter 3
	8-13	Eighth Grade Play
	11	Quarter 3 Report Cards go home
	12	MASS—8:15 a.m. (3-Sch plans)
	15	Spirit Dress
	15-18	Holy Rosary Parish Mission
	23-27	<b>Spring Break—No School</b>
April	1	Spirit Dress
	10	<b>School in Session</b> -Good Friday
	13	<b>School in Session</b> -Easter Monday
	15	Spirit Dress
	15	Quarter 4 Midterms go home
	22	Early Dismissal @ 12:15 pm Teacher In Service
	24	Free Dress/Popcorn
April 26-May 8		Student Art Show
April 27– May 6		Spring 2009 ISTEP+ (Gr. 3-8)
May	1	Art Fair
	6	Spirit Dress
	7	Kindergarten Mass
	15	Field Day
	20	Spirit Dress
	20	Eighth Grade Awards
	21	Awards for Gr. 1-7
	21	Eighth Grade Luncheon, Graduation, Reception & Dance
	21	Last Day of School
	21	Quarter 4 Report cards go home
	22	Snow make up day



**2009-2010 TUITION GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR REITZ MEMORIAL & MATER DEI HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

The Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) is announcing that applications for tuition grants for the 2009-2010 school year are now available at Catholic grade school offices and parish offices.

Applications are also available at the offices of Reitz Memorial High School and Mater Dei High School. Deadline for applying is March 12, 2009.

CEF tuition grants are available to financially qualified students wishing to attend either Reitz Memorial High School or Mater Dei High School.

For further information please call Margaret Angermeier, Administrative Director of the Catholic Education Foundation at 402-6700, ext. 302. Email: [cef@evansville-diocese.org](mailto:cef@evansville-diocese.org).

To download and print an application from Reitz Memorial High School website, [www.mhs.evansville.net](http://www.mhs.evansville.net), select “Common Questions” tab, then “Is Tuition Assistance Available?”

To download and print an application from Mater Dei High School website, [www.materdeiwildcats.com](http://www.materdeiwildcats.com), select “About MD” tab, then “Tuition and Fees”



**GREEN & GOLD CONTEST WINNERS**

The green & gold dress contest for Catholic Schools Week was a success! The students (& teachers) really used their imaginations...it was hard, but a winner was chosen. Congratulations to - - -

Winner: Keaghan Holland (6-W)

Runners up: Mallory Wittmer (1-H)  
Cody Diefenbaugh (1-H)



### Music Notes: From Ann Nagy

Congratulations to Charlie Hayne, 7E, and Anna Zimmermann, 7E, who earned gold-first place medals at the ISSMA Solo and Ensemble contest at the U of E Campus on February 7th.

Charlie performed a piano solo. Anna performed a vocal solo. We are proud of these students for using their God given talents so well.

Thanks to the following families or individuals for their contributions to the Music program at Holy Rosary: Scott and Rebecca Nichols and family for an Advent Program donation, Robert & Kasaundra Bennett for donating ribbon streamers, John Michael O'Leary, for donating his time as a guest musician, and for Patrick McCormick for tuning the Music Room piano. Thank you to anyone who helps in any way to support the Music and Fine Arts programs at Holy Rosary School.

Holy Rosary is planning a talent showcase sometime during April or May of this semester. Students may dance, play an instrument or sing, act out a short drama, read an original poem or short story, show an original art piece, or perform any other talent act that has been approved by Mrs. Nagy. Please contact Mrs. Nagy at [annn@hrparish.org](mailto:annn@hrparish.org) or at school 812-477-2271 ext. 343 if you are interested, have questions or would want to volunteer as a helper.



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### WEATHER RELATED INFORMATION

In the case of bad weather, please tune in to the television and local radio stations for weather-related delay, early dismissal or school closing information. Whenever possible, we will also try to post the same information on our school website. If there is a delay to school,

After School Care WILL be in session.

If there is an early dismissal After School Care will also close early. If school is closed due to bad weather, After School Care will ALSO be closed for that day. When school closes early or is not in session, all after school & evening activities will also be cancelled on that same day.



### SAFETY PATROL NOTES

Parents, when picking up your child at the end of the day, please remember to enter the back parking lot by the driveway at the light. Do not enter by the Church/Parish Hall. There are two Patrol Members stationed in the back lot. One is by the Parish Hall and the other by the 1988 doors. For the safety of our children, our Safety Patrol team stops traffic **before** the students are dismissed so that it is safe for our students to enter the parking lot.

If a Patrol Member has a flag down or asks you to stop, please be courteous and remember that they have a job to do. Thank you for your respect for our Patrol Team Members and the job that they do to keep the children safe.



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