



Sacred Heart of Jesus SFA Newsletter

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Save the Date:

Jan 22nd– Family Movie Night!
“The Wizard of Oz”

Jan 31-Feb 5 – Catholic Schools Week

Board Nominations:

Our school needs you!

The majority of our SHS-FA Board Members are moving and/or unable to continue serving on the Board.

Please prayerfully discern if this is a good fit for you and your family! We'll be soliciting nominations in the next few months!

The purpose of the Sacred Heart School - Family Association (SFA)dvVB, in common with those of Sacred Heart Parish and School is: to promote the welfare of children in the home, school, community and place of worship; to strengthen academic, social and spiritual standards in the school and home; to more closely ally the home and the school so that parents, teachers, and school administration may communicate and cooperate in the educational development of all children; to develop united efforts between educators, parents and the community in gaining the highest advantages in physical, mental, social and spiritual education for all children; to strengthen the relationship between home, school and community so as to promote a sense of belonging, service and commitment; to promote traditional ethics and values as they pertain to one's role in the home, school and community; to promote learning as a life-long process.

SFA Notes

What Can I Do to Help?

- **Sacred Heart of Jesus School wants and needs your support for the remainder of the 2010 School Year and beyond! There are many ways we, as parents, can help our school:**
- **Fundraising Drive:** “Drive to Survive – 80 More Years”! Please send in your donation and solicit donations from family and friends. This is a huge part of the 2009/2010 fundraising goal and, unfortunately, has not been well supported so far! Please help out!
- **Invite, Invite, Invite!:** Do you remember what compelled you to send your children to Sacred Heart of Jesus School? Please share those reasons with your friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. A personal invitation is the best way for us to introduce our great school to others! We are very interested in increasing enrollment. **For each new family you bring into the school, you will receive \$250.00 back on next year's tuition!** Call the Office for more details.
- **Catholic Schools Week:** Bring those same friends, neighbors, co-workers, etc. to **our OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, Jan 31st from 10:30 until 1:30!** Consider helping out as a tour guide or to provide baked goods for our visitors. See the calendar on our website for a list of all the activities.
- **Volunteer:** We still need volunteers for the Spartan Derby (March 26th), School Play (April 30th/May 1st), Touch-A-Truck (May 23rd), recess monitors, and more!
- **Penny Wars: February 22-26!** Start collecting those pennies now! Classes compete for the most pennies collected and have fun in the process.
- **Teacher Appreciation Week:** The week of May 3-7 we show our teachers how much we appreciate what they do for our children every day!

Your Opinion Matters:

Last Summer we asked for your input on surveys. Here are some of the changes we've implemented based on that input:

- **Free, Family Activities (Reading Night, Movie Night, Internet Safety Night)**
- **Community Based Fundraising (Halloween Party, Gala, Spartan Derby, Play, Touch A Truck)**
- **Review Middle School Curriculum, Tuition, Pre-School, Technology (Advisory Committee formed of Staff, Teachers, Parents, Parishioner is submitting recommendations to Archdiocese in the next month)**

We're still
collecting
inkjet/toner
cartridges!

*Christmas is over, but Scrip Sales
Continue all year!*

If you're shopping online, please
go through

GoodShop at

www.goodsearch.com (make sure
to put in Sacred Heart of Jesus,
Highland Falls so we get credit!)

You can view retailer lists, special
offers and FAQs about SCRIP at
www.glscrip.com

*Stop by the Rectory or Office
for more info and to order!*

Keep those BOXTOPS
Coming!



DO YOU GOODSEARCH?



Looking for an EASY way to help raise funds for
our school? Here it is:

Go to www.goodsearch.com

Look for the "Who do you search for?" box. Fill in:
Sacred Heart of Jesus School – Highland Falls
Every time you do an internet search from this
site, our school will earn a penny. Add it to your
toolbar so you don't forget! It's a simple, cost-free
way to help raise funds for our school. Spread the
word, anyone can help us by using this website
You can use SCRIP when you shop through
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Fundraising Drive Letter Excerpt:

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus School Parents,

Sacred Heart of Jesus School in Highland Falls, NY invites you to support
us during our "Drive to Survive – 80 More Years!" fundraising campaign.

As you know from personal experience, Sacred Heart School has a long
tradition – 80 Years! - of excellence. We strive to educate the heart, mind,
body and spirit of our students. Our dedicated, enthusiastic teachers and
administration work together to prepare our young people to meet the many
challenges of today's world. It is our mission to provide our Sacred Heart
students with the means to become faithful Catholics and Christians, loving
family members and compassionate, responsible leaders of their
communities.

We are working hard to ensure our school remains open and is able to meet
our stated mission. Many area parochial schools are closing or
reconfiguring due to severe budget constraints. Your financial support will
help us to meet the difference between our tuition (approximately \$5,000.00
per student) and the actual cost of educating each child (about \$8,000.00).
**We cannot rely on increased financial support from the New York
Archdiocese.** With many of our school families affected by the recent
economic downturn, we especially need your help.

Sacred Heart School is composed of about 50% of students from the local
community – Highland Falls, Fort Montgomery, Garrison, and Cornwall-
with the remaining 50% from neighboring West Point. We welcome
students regardless of financial means because all children are deserving of
the first class education we offer. **Thank you** for supporting our students,
who are all motivated to creating success in school, career and life.

There are several levels to this giving opportunity as outlined on the
attached form. We appreciate your support and ask for your continued
prayers.

Thank YOU for Your Support