



Saint Hilary School

Where faith, family, and academics thrive!

May 2, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

"I think the teaching profession contributes more to the future of our society than any other single profession." John Wooden

"If you want to be successful, it's just this simple. Know what you are doing. Love what you are doing. And believe in what you are doing." Will Rogers

Next week is Teacher Appreciation Week! We are incredibly blessed with dedicated and caring teachers who do not come to school for fortune or fame. They come every day to make a difference in the lives of our children. Take time this week to thank them! National Teacher Appreciation Day is officially on Tues. May 8th.

This Saturday, the 2nd graders of St. Hilary School and our Religious Education program will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. The ceremony begins at 11:00 a.m. in the church. All are welcome to join us and celebrate this special day with our children. Please remember to keep them in your prayers.

We are so grateful to Big Shoulders for providing free vision and hearing screenings for our students. You will be receiving the results of your child's screenings in today's envelope. While every student tested passed the hearing screening there are a large number of students who did not pass the vision screening. I will be receiving vouchers for VisionWorks if you need assistance in paying for the exam and glasses for your child. Please let me know if you would use this voucher. It is so important to have your child examined further if they did not pass the screening.

Congratulations:

On Saturday the Bitty Ball participants enjoyed some fun contests, a lunch, and awards. I am so pleased that you signed your child up for this opportunity and hoped they enjoyed the season. Congratulations to Aidan V., Jasmine M., and Taylor N. for winning the free throw contest in their age group. Big congratulations to Leo B. who was the free throw champion!! Thank you to Mr. Joe Kummerer and Mrs. Flo Kilroy who make this program possible and spend many hours volunteering!!! We would not be able to do this without them.

Gmail:

Apparently there is an update going on through gmail that has affected many of our St. Hilary email accounts. It is typical for an email that is undeliverable to bounce back to the sender immediately; this has not been the case with this new problem. It seems to be taking a number of hours to bounce back to the sender. I do not know how to fix this problem, but will attempt to reach out to someone from google to find a solution. I appreciate your patience and understanding as we work through this.

Tax Credit Scholarship update:

I am so thrilled that a number of our families have received scholarships. One question that has been asked, "My child received a scholarship from Big Shoulders and Empower Illinois, what should I do?" My answer is this, I would accept the Empower Illinois scholarship (presuming that it is the same amount or greater than Big Shoulders) because any money from a Big Shoulders scholarship that is not claimed will go back into the main pool for families on the waiting list. Big Shoulders is only granting scholarships for Archdiocese of Chicago schools, Empower Illinois is helping all non-public schools in Illinois. If there is any way that I can help you, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Big Shoulders:

If you received a School Commitment Form from Big Shoulders SGO please bring it to the school. This form is how they will know that a) the family is choosing to accept the scholarship and b) that St. Hilary is accepting the student. I will upload these forms to Big Shoulders for you.

Empower Illinois:

Empower Illinois began communicating award status to TCS applicants, on Monday, April 2. Award letters will continue to be mailed out weekly on Mondays.

Summer opportunities:

In today's envelope you will find two flyers for summer opportunities. The first is from St. Patrick High School. The contact information is on the flyer. The second is from Aspire Kids. We are partners with Aspire through an All Are Welcome grant associated with the Loyola graduate program that I am working on. These groups will meet at St. Hilary – days and times will be determined. There is a time factor with this opportunity so it is imperative that you contact me asap if you are interested. Teachers will also be recommending students for these groups.

Athletics:

Please mark your calendars for Sunday May 6th at 2:00pm for the St. Hilary Sports Banquet.

Reminder:

It is that time of the year again – your red service hour cards are due. Please make sure that you have completed your 15 hours and return the card to the school office. If you are still in need of hours please contact the school office as soon as possible. Thank you for helping us to provide the many activities and events for our children.

Don't forget to tell a friend about St. Hilary and as a thank you, you will receive a \$100.00 tuition credit on your December tuition statement pending enrollment of the referred family. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

Please note 8th graders must be paid in full in May. Failure to complete payment will result in loss of participation in 8th grade events/activities and possibly graduation. Any delinquent balance will result in loss of participation in the graduation ceremony and diplomas will be held. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. If your account is current, I thank you!

Contents of this Wednesday's envelope:

- St. Hilary Literary Magazine "The Call" flyer
- Women's Club Oberweis Day flyer
- Chicago Sky field trip flyer and permission slip (3rd-8th graders)
- FSA flyers
- Summer program flyers

Mark your calendars:

- Thurs. May 3 – St. Hilary hosts the Battle of the Books Championship 10 am
- Thurs. May 3 – 1st Communion mandatory practice 4:00 – 6:00 pm in church
- Fri. May 4 – 3rd grade field trip to Garfield Park Conservatory
- Sat. May 5 – 1st Holy Communion 11:00 am – All are Welcome
- Sun. May 6 – St. Hilary Sports Banquet 2:00 pm in Vacala Auditorium
- Thurs. May 10 – PeeWee Pep Rally for preschool – 3rd graders
- Fri. May 11 – NO SCHOOL – teacher professional development day
- Sun. May 13 – Happy Mother's Day – May Crowning at 10 am mass

- Tues. May 15 – 1st grade field trip to Legoland
- May 16, 17 & 18 – Student Council Spring Bake Sale

Please check out the Peek at the Week for a look at the week ahead.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to contact me at school 773-561-5885 or by email donovan@sthilarychicago.org.

Gratefully,

Mrs. Kathie Donovan

Mrs. Kathie Donovan, Principal



A Peek at the Week

WEEK OF May 7 – 11 "Teacher Appreciation Week"

St. Hilary...where faith, family, and academics thrive!

MONDAY: May 7th Altar Servers: Lina, Haley <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Religious education classes✓ Yoga classes✓ Cadet band 7:00 – 7:45 am in Room 109✓ Concert band 3:00 – 4:00 pm in Room 109
TUESDAY: May 8th **National Teacher Appreciation Day** Altar Servers: Benjamin, Christine L. <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Student Council meeting – officers✓ CODAs 7:10 – 7:45 am in Room 109
WEDNESDAY: May 9th Altar Servers: Adhrian, Luke <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ 8:30 all school liturgy✓ Cadet band 7:00 – 7:45 am in Room 109✓ 2:00 dismissal
THURSDAY: May 10th Altar Servers: Tyler, Toni <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Cardinal Choir 3:00 – 4:00 pm in church✓ Concert band 7:00 – 7:45 am in Room 109✓ PeeWee Pep Rally for Pk – 3rd grade hosted by Student Council
FRIDAY: May 11th Altar Servers: Madison, Nicholas <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ No School – Teacher Professional Development day
SATURDAY: May 12th Altar Servers: 8:30 a.m. adult altar servers 5:00 p.m. Marina, Zachary, Luke
SUNDAY: May 13th Altar Servers: 8 am Anthony O., Riane, Sidonie 10 am Anthony C., Mar, Alessandra 12 pm Isabella M., Sara, Claire



Happy Mother's Day to all our Amazing St. Hilary Moms!!!

Cardinal Choir will perform on May 13th at the
10:00 a.m. May Crowning mass – please arrive by 9:30 a.m.



FIELD TRIP PERMISSION FORM

School Name St. Hilary School Address 5614 N. Fairfield City Chicago

Destination: Chicago Sky game at Wintrust Arena
 Date Wed. May 23, 2018 Grade/Class 3rd-8th grade
 Departure Time: 8:45 am Return Time: 1:45 pm

Teacher/Supervisor Mrs. Donovan and all 3rd-8th grade teachers
Ms. Lamoreaux, Mrs. Rhodes, and Mr. Flaherty

EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE OF THE FIELD TRIP
STEM activities and CODAS & Cardinal Choir will perform

Please note the following:

- ☒ Students will wear school uniforms.
- ☐ Students may wear casual clothes suited for the field trip and in accord with school dress code.
- ☐ Students will bring their lunches labeled with name/grade
- ☐ Lunch will be provided for the students.
- ☒ Students may purchase lunches at their own expense.
- Other: _____

Transportation:

Bus – provided by Compass Transportation
 Public – provided by _____

Walking Route: _____

Other: _____

Print first and last name of student on line below

I/we, the parent(s)/guardian(s) of _____ request that the school permit my/our son/daughter participate in this field trip as described above. I/We understand that this is an educational trip and a valid extension of the classroom experience. In consideration of the making of arrangements by the school, I/we release and save harmless the school and any and all school personnel from any and all liability for any injuries, loss, or other claims arising or resulting from the trip.

Print first and last name of Mother/Guardian:

Mother/Guardian _____

Print first and last name of Father/Guardian:

Father/Guardian _____

Mother/Guardian Signature _____

Father/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

Date _____

Note: Teachers will have each student's Medical and Emergency Notification Authorization for Medical Treatment on the trip.

Cost of Field Trip \$10.00 Due on or before May 10, 2018

Please place the permission form and the required fee in an envelope. Include student's name, grade, and room number.

If you already paid for your tickets please complete this form and return to school.

2 chaperones per grade will be needed. Must be VIRTUS trained and approved by Ms. Donovan.



ST. HILARY MUSIC AT CHICAGO SKY

IT'S GAME TIME



COME SUPPORT THE CODAS AND CARDINAL CHOIR AS
THEY SING AT THE CHICAGO SKY GAME 5/23/18
@11AM!

TICKETS ARE \$10

NAME _____

QTY OF TICKETS _____

TOTAL _____

CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO ST. HILARY SCHOOL





Aspire Kids Chicago Summer 2018 Groups

Does your young child need help getting ready to read and write?

*Join our **Early Literacy Skill Group!***

- Groups for 4-6 year olds
- Small group setting
- Multi-sensory, play-based learning
- Focus on early reading and writing preparation
- Integration of phonics, book awareness, comprehension, and storytelling

Does your student struggle with major reading concepts that affect reading comprehension?

*Join our **Reading Comprehension Boost** group!*

- Groups for 6-8 and 9-12 Year-Olds
- Small group setting
- Practice difficult concepts to help boost reading skills, as well as confidence levels
- Each week will focus on a specific reading skill
- Students will read high-interest reading material, focusing on high-level thinking skills
- Participate in interactive and engaging lessons to help solidify understanding
- Culminate with online Jeopardy game recapping all skills taught

Would your 9-12 year-old love to have fun while learning and practicing math at the same time?

*Join our **Fun with Math Games** group!*

- Groups for 9-12 year olds
- Small group setting
- Engage in fun, interactive games
- Play games that help improve computational fluency and promote critical mathematical thinking
- Games can be transferred to the home and school environment so the learning and fun never stops!

All groups are facilitated by an Education Specialist

Please note: If requesting more than one group, we ask that they are scheduled back-to-back

*Requests will be taken on a **first-come first-served** basis.*

Please contact Josephine Brylak at jbrylak@aspirechicago.com for more information

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Take this coupon to the Oberweis Ice Cream and Dairy Store location below and we'll get up to 30% back on everything you buy!

Name of Organization **St. Hilary Women's Club**

Oberweis Store Location: **6469 N. Lincoln Ave. Lincolnwood, IL 60712**

Fundraiser Shopping Day: **5-24-2018**

Fundraiser Shopping Time: **10am - 9pm**

Fundraiser Code: **051-0085 Lincolnwood**

To be filled in by store employee:

Amount of Purchase (not including tax): _____

Register Transaction #: _____

Only purchases made at the Oberweis Ice Cream and Dairy Store indicated above and during the specified date and time are eligible to earn funds for your organization. Oberweis Home Delivery purchases are not eligible in conjunction with this program.

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Get involved in your FSA

Nominations are open for the Family & School Association Executive Committee for the 2018-2019 school year.

THE ST. HILARY FAMILY NEEDS YOU

Don't wait to get involved "someday"! Please consider sharing your time, talents, ideas and expertise to help enrich the St. Hilary School community. Seven (7) positions are available

Co-chairs (2)

- Oversee all activities and meetings
- Serve as primary liaisons with school and parish staff
- Coordinate room parent volunteers

Event coordinators (2)

- Create/maintain event/activity calendar
- Organize and assist event/activity/program chairs

Treasurer

- Keep track of finances
- Request disbursements for programs as directed by the executive committee

Communication Coordinator

- Keep records of all meetings
- Work with other coordinators to promote events, activities and programs

Fundraising coordinator

- Manage and help plan fundraising activities

**Nomination forms are due
to the school office on
May 4, 2018.**

**Elections will take place
at the Wednesday, May 9,
FSA monthly meeting.**

**Serving on the Executive
Committee fulfills your
family service hour
requirement.**



St. Hilary Family & School Association

Executive Committee Nomination Form

The St. Hilary Family School Association (FSA) is seeking nominations for its upcoming term of office, which covers the 2018-2019 academic year. Please complete this form if you are interested in nominating yourself, or someone you know, for any of the positions listed below. **Serving on the executive committee will fulfill your family service hour requirement.**

All nomination forms should be completed and returned to the St. Hilary School office no later than **5 p.m., Friday, May 4, 2018**. Nominations should be placed in a sealed envelope, labeled "FSA Board Nomination."

Full name of nominee (please print):

Nominee's affiliation with St. Hilary School (Check all that apply):

- ☐ Parent/Guardian of a child enrolled in the school
- ☐ Parent/Guardian of a child enrolled in the Religious Education program
- ☐ Parent/Guardian of alumnus/alumna
- ☐ Parish/School staff member
- ☐ Alumnus/alumna
- ☐ Parishioner

Position of Interest (check all that apply):

- ☐ Co-chairperson (2)
- ☐ Treasurer
- ☐ Communication Coordinator
- ☐ Event Coordinator (2)
- ☐ Fundraising Coordinator

Telephone: Email:

Please complete this section ONLY if you are nominating someone other than yourself

Nominated by (please print):

Nominator's signature: Date:2018

I hereby agree to my nomination for the position noted on this form, and, if elected, I agree to serve on the executive committee of the St. Hilary Family & School Association. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have a viable interest in furthering and promoting the growth and development of St. Hilary School by serving on the FSA executive committee:

Nominee's signature: Date:2018

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need your
help at the
First Communion
reception

SATURDAY,
MAY 5

SET UP: 11 AM
SERVE: 12 PM
CLEAN UP: 1 PM

To volunteer,
please contact
Kristen Allen at
[kristenileene24@
yahoo.com](mailto:kristenileene24@yahoo.com)



ST. HILARY FAMILY & SCHOOL association

MAY MEETING & ELECTION



Wednesday, May 9
7–8 p.m. St. Hilary Cafeteria

It's our last meeting of the year! On the agenda:

- Elections for the 2018-19 Executive Committee
- End-of-the-year celebrations and picnic
- Bring your ideas for what you would like to see or do next year

All parents and guardians of St. Hilary students are members of the FSA and are always welcome to attend the monthly meetings.

Refreshments will be served. We hope to see you there!





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