



# Weekly Hawk Happenings

**January 29, 2015**

## **Note from the Principal**

Dear Parents,

Thank you for participating in Catholic Schools week. It has been so much fun to celebrate our faith within the school. Please check out the photos on our Facebook page, the children are so adorable. I love watching them walk in every day with excitement in their eyes. The week started with an Open House on Sunday, I would like to thank all the students and families that helped make it such a success. We will end the week with the Auction/Crab Feed. Please remember that this is one our big fund raising events. We want to make it a successful as possible to keep our tuition rates low!

There is a lot of interest from new families in the Juan Diego Academy and full day Pre-K programs. Therefore, next week we will open registration to current families only. All current families will have the first option to register their children. There is a reduced registration rate to families who take advantage of this. Information will be sent next week regarding the full day Pre-K programs and registration paperwork.

We are launching the website, please look at the new site [hrrsjda.org](http://hrrsjda.org) we understand that there is still much work to be done and edits to be made. Please be patient as we strive to perfect the site!

Additionally, I would like to share some exciting school news. Construction will begin next week on the first floor. In addition to necessary plumbing and bathroom improvements, the new Pre-K classroom construction will also begin!

The past several weeks have been spent updating the library books and making classroom library sets to ensure that students have access to reading materials daily in their classroom. We will create a usable library for each classroom. Please see your child's teacher if you want to donate a beanbag or rug for the children to read on! I also want to take a moment and share with you that Tacoma Public Library not only has a fantastic library with English and Spanish resources but a wonderful online library for all Tacoma residents. Please click on the link and fill out the form if you don't already have a library card.

<http://tplonline.org/page.aspx?hid=1135>

If you want to make sure the books are the right level, you can download this app:

<http://www.scholastic.com/bookwizardmobile/>

You can scan the barcode and it will tell you the reading level. Improving literacy and advancing students in two languages requires a group effort from teachers, parents and students.

## Important Information

- **The last chance for Crab Feed/Auction tickets is now!** The last days to purchase tickets are Thursday and Friday of this week. Tickets are for sale in the office. **The event is on January 31st, 2015.** Doors open at 5:00 pm and dinner begins at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$50.00 per person which includes crab, prime rib, beer, wine, and dancing. Please join us for this wonderful fundraising event for our school!
- **For your information.** If there are any current coaches or anyone who is considering coaching CYO, there is a "PLACT" class at St.Charles on February 12th at 6:00 pm. This class is required if you plan to coach through Holy Rosary's CYO program. If you have any additional questions, please contact Eric Westby at: [cyo@hrrsjda.org](mailto:cyo@hrrsjda.org).
- **Interest in English classes?** We recently asked parents if they were interested in Spanish classes in the evenings. Thank you to all that responded. We will begin looking into some options. We also wanted to pose the question to Spanish speaking families if there was an interest in English as a second language classes. These classes would likely be held in the evenings and would be offered for a small fee. If this is something that interests you, please email: [office@hrrsjda.org](mailto:office@hrrsjda.org).

## Volunteer Opportunities

- A few individuals that could work on organizing our storage area above the cafeteria. We have tons of decorations and other miscellaneous items that need attention.

<p><b>Upcoming Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>Jan 31</u>: Annual crab feed and auction. Last chance for tickets! Please purchase tickets in the office.</li></ul> <p><b>Mark Your Calendars</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <u>Feb 11&amp;12</u>: Parent/Teacher conferences. Noon dismissal, extended care available.</li><li>● <u>Feb 13-16</u>: No school, winter break.</li></ul>	<p><b>Birthdays this Week</b></p> <p><u>January</u> 29th: Ithalia Tatum</p> <p><u>February</u> 2nd: Juliana Tran</p> <p><b>*Reminder*</b> Please remember to return your communication folders by Wednesday of the following week so that we can prepare them to be sent home the following day. Communication folders are sent home every Thursday.</p>
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