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Regina Coeli School Newsletter

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providing a Catholic education
in historic Hyde Park

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Hyde Park, NY 12538

Wednesday Night Is Candlelight

This Wednesday is our annual Candlelight Dessert Night. The first part of the evening starts off with a meeting of the parents and teachers in their child's classroom to learn about the program for the upcoming year. The teacher(s) will explain the "ins and outs" of the grade level and provide an outline for the year's expectations. There will be two presentations, 7:00-7:30 and 7:35-7:55. Parents of students in grades 6-8 will meet with the entire team of upper hall teachers for the first session with the option to meet on grade/subject level during the latter period.

At Candlelight, the members of the School Board will be introduced and a short presentation by Donna Horn will explain the goals for this school year and the strategies in place to meet these goals.

At eight o'clock all parents and teachers should be in the gym to enjoy the Candlelight Dessert portion of the night. The reward of the evening is enjoying the delicious desserts in the candlelit gym and chatting with other parents in the grade level. Candlelight also affords the parents a chance to network with other parents at your grade as well as the school community as a whole.

Special thanks to Patrice Savery, Coordinator of the event, all the parents for the delicious treats and those on the ever popular clean up detail.

WalkWay Over the Hudson To Open Soon

In conjunction with the Quadricentennial Celebration of Hudson/Fulton, the opening of the WalkWay Across the Hudson will take place the weekend of October 2-3. Dignitaries will officially open the longest pedestrian span on Friday with fireworks. Public traffic will begin on Saturday afternoon. Come out and see history in the making!

Come and Have Some Fun!

The parish of Regina Coeli/St. Paul invites one and all (over 18 years of age) to the Saturday Night Mixer! The dance which is casual dress and lots of fun will take place in the school gym at 7:00 PM. Music will be provided by Russ Allen, so a good time is guaranteed! Bring your spouse, bring a friend! BYOB. Ten dollars per person. RSVP Angela 229-2134

Let's Dance!



TACHS Information for present eighth grade students will be sent home this week. Students planning on attending Our Lady of Lourdes High School must take this entrance exam. Parents can register on line.

TACHS exam will be administered at OLL on November 13th.

Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

The school year is off to a good start. Tomorrow night is the perfect opportunity to come to school and see and hear what's in store for this year. We have refined some programs, restored some facilities and look forward to the implementation of some added programs/options for students.

I would also like to take this opportunity to formally welcome our new families to RCS and provide them with the "face behind the name" for the people they will be meeting here at Coeli. We function as a community and are all here to assist one another in being successful.

Additionally, this is a great time to point out the significance of our own RCS School Board - that highly devoted group of individuals who steer the course for our school. These selfless people work tirelessly to bring about the seamless operation of programs, financial support and vision so necessary in making RCS - the place to be!

Sincerely,

Eileen A. Kerins
Principal

Up Coming Events

9/23 Candlelight Dessert-Meet the Teacher Night at 7 PM

Great American Product Sales begin/ends on October 5th

9/26 Parish Mixer-School gym 7:00 PM

9/28 Teachers' Conference-NO School

10/2 First Friday Mass at 9:00 AM

Eighth Grade Dance-6:30-8:30 PM

10/4 Pro Life Sunday-National Life Chain-Rte. 9 2:00-3:30 PM

10/6 Planning Mtg. for Santa Express-7:00 PM Art Room

Regina Coeli Craft Fair, Santa Express, Coming Soon

There will be a planning meeting for the Craft Fair on Tuesday, October 6th at 7 PM. Please plan to come to the meeting to learn more about this event. Any crafter wishing to participate, should call 876-3442 in the evening for details and an application.

The RC Craft Fair is planned for Saturday, November 21st from 9AM to 3PM. The Craft Fair will feature vendors from throughout the Mid-Hudson region and beyond. There will be food available during the day, baked goods, and Santa's Closet, which features new, economically priced merchandise.

Tickets will be available for purchase for one of the themed raffle baskets. Admission to the Craft Fair is \$2 and entitles the entrant to win one of the dozens of door prizes.

We hope you will join us at this fun event!



UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN UNDER WAY

Just a little reminder to those in our community who contribute to the annual UNITED WAY campaign that you can designate Regina Coeli School as a recipient of your donation. Please select this option on your form or ask your employer to do so for you.

Hannaford Helps Schools Campaign Swings Into Action

Attention all our Hannaford shoppers. Beginning September 6th and going through December 6th, Hannaford is again sponsoring their Hannaford Helps Schools program. When a shopper purchases 4 select items (from brands like Glad, Keebler, Kraft, General Mills, Kelloggs) the shopper will receive a coupon slip upon check out for \$3.00; 8 items = \$6.00, up to \$12.00. Kindly send these coupons to RCS Main Office, rather than the display kiosk. Last year, Hannaford sent RCS a check for over \$400. It is amazing how quickly these slips add up! Presently our "envelope" in the Main Office has a balance of \$24.00.

So win both ways-use scrip to purchase your Hannaford cards and purchase these items to collect your slips.

Have you sent in your slips today?

Clip Those Box Tops!

Get ready for the first BoxTop contest of the school year! Send in 50 boxtops and you will earn a No Uniform Today—NUT certificate for use on October 30th.



Boxtops can be found on a variety of products from General Mills cereals to Avery products to Ziploc items and many more.

Look for them everywhere! Be sure to put your boxtops in an envelope with **your name** and bring to the main office before October 23rd.

Win \$50!

2010 Crazy Cash Calendar

Attention RCS Families ONLY.....

Be a part of the \$50.00 Cash Prize "Bonus" Drawing

Return 10 Crazy Calendars by September 30th, 2009 and

Earn your ticket in the \$50 "Bonus" drawing!

Spotlight On

Price Choppers' Tools for Schools Program When you use your Advantage Card designated to RCS, we earn points. These points then translate into art supplies for our students.

SAVE YOUR CANS AND BOTTLES - The Eighth Grade will be conducting their annual Can & Bottle Drive in October. Proceeds from the drive will be used to help finance their class trip in the spring. More details will be forth coming.

Swine Flu Update

As one hears daily on the news, all schools are working diligently to be pro-active with regards to the H1N1 virus. Daily cleansing is part of the program. All students have been instructed in the use of sanitizers, as well as the washing of hands.



An additional component of the Health Plan is to ensure that sick children do not re-enter the school before being free of a fever for at least 24 hours. Mrs. Walsh must send home students who return to class before that time. We are also reporting to the Health Department the status of any cases.

The goal is simple...stay healthy and to prevent the spread of the germs that cause the flu. Your help is vital in carrying out these goals.

Try Prayer! It Works! 2010 Contest

Theme: The Family that prays together, stays together.

Open to K-12 students

Divisions in Art—Any medium but no larger than 8 1/2 by 11 inches.

Include a brief description with work.

Poetry—On 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper with a minimum of 10 lines and maximum of 30 lines.

Prose—An essay of between 50-100 words on 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper.

Deadline: Post marked: February 1, 2010

See the official rules in the Main Office

Photos!

Parents, if you take pictures of any events, happenings, etc. would you kindly think to share them with Mr. Coluccio, one of our web masters. He would like to highlight all aspects of our day and appreciates your assistance.

Don't forget to log onto the Regina Coeli School website at www.reginacoeli-hydepark-ny.org to get the latest in photos of current events as well as download forms, newsletters, check upcoming events and so forth.

