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Regina Coeli School Newsletter

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Celebrating 53 years of
providing a Catholic education
in historic Hyde Park

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Hyde Park, NY 12538

November 1st Marks Return of Winter Uniforms

Beginning today the RCS winter uniform policy is in effect. Girls should be in the plaid jumpers/skirts with blue shirts. Navy cardigan sweaters or sweater vests are appropriate. No other top is to be used. Boys will be in the blue slacks through grade 5 and Kahki for grades 6-8, with blue polos, either long or short sleeved. Navy sweater vest or V necked sweaters are options. Gym uniforms return to navy sweatpants and Tee/sweatshirts.

Mass attendance does require a tie for boys.

Town Hall Meeting—Monday

Dr. Timothy McNiff will be at Our Lady of Lourdes High School on Monday, November 7th at 7:00 PM to hold a meeting for all interested parents, on the plans for Regionalization. As you know there are three regions (Staten Island, Rockland County and Parts of the Bronx) who are presently selecting Board Members. These regions will be undergoing the process as of September 1st 2012. Dutchess County or Region #8 will begin selecting Board Members in September 2012 and go into Regionalization as of September 2013.

Come to Lourdes and hear how Dr. McNiff envisions this process to play out. Come and have your questions addressed.

Li'l DARLING Uniform Shoppe will be closed on Mondays beginning November 7th.

Today is November 1st which is a Holy Day of Obligation. The students have attended the 9:00 AM Mass. There will be a special healing Mass at Regina Coeli Church this evening at 7:00 PM. All are invited to attend.

LAST CALL for Cherrydale Product Sales

Please send in your orders before Friday for Early Delivery. RCS online # 162257

Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

Last week we were pleasantly pleased to see three of our third grade students honored for their writing prowess. Within the following days, another student, Isabella Harris was also selected as an Honorable Mention for the 6-8 grade category for the Scary Story Contest.

This past week we also held a most successful Book Fair. Books of every category were purchased and presumably being consumed on a daily basis by our students. What's the connection? Well, researchers have determined that there is a most definite connection to good writing from those who read good books. Readers often imitate style and word choice, so the better the book, the better the example. Thanks to all the parent who visited the Book Fair, helped finance the purchases and in general supported literacy at RCS!!!!

Lastly, I just wanted to note the great turnout we had for the Halloween Fling. All ages were in fine attire and a good time was had by one and all! Thanks to the Mazzelli family for their assist with the balloons and securing the donuts, to Adams for their help with the donuts, as well as to our Seventh and Eighth Graders and Mrs. Dombroski, Dr. Moss, Mrs. Herron and Ms. Weckesser, as well as all the RCS Teachers, parents, friends who made the night so much fun. Little did we all know that less than twelve hours later we would be battling up to a foot of snow! But then, that's what makes RCS the place to be!

Sincerely,
Eileen A. Kerins
Principal

Up Coming Events

11/1 All Saints Day—Mass at 9:00AM & Healing Mass at 7:00 PM

11/4 TACHS Exam at OLL; First Friday Mass 9:00 AM, 8th grade Dance 6:30-8:30

11/6 Mohegan Sun Casino Bus Trip 7:00 AM RCS

11/7 Regionalization Meeting 7:00 PM OLL

11/8 NO School for Students; RCS will host the Teachers from Dutchess, Ulster, and Orange Counties for Teachers' Retreat.

11/10 New DATE for Cap & Gown and Retake Pictures

11/11 Veteran's Day—No Classes

11/21&22 Report Card Conferences—Dismissal at noon.



Fall Greetings from Santa's Express

The Regina Coeli Parish **Santa's Express Art and Craft Show** Committee has scheduled our 40th annual event for Saturday, November 19th from 9AM-3PM. This wonderful event is successful due to the donations and hard work and dedication of our parish and school volunteers.

Please consider assisting us in the following pursuits:

White Elephant Sale: new or gently used items are needed for donation

Contact: *Kristin Biskup* at 229-4550

Parish Boutique: crafting supplies or finished crafts are need for donation

Contact: *Cynthia Witman* at 233-4125

Bake Sale: baked goods or packaging are need for donation

Watch for a sign up sheet in the church lobby

Religious Items Booth: various religious articles are need for donation

Contact: *Kathy Depew* at 229-5687

Promise Tree: we are in need of gift certificates or items from local businesses or from individuals (babysitting, yard work, etc.) Contact: *Cynthia Witman* at 233-4125 or rccraftfair@gmail.com

Alert: This fundraiser is in jeopardy of being discontinued in the future if new committee members and volunteers are not found. Please help us to continue this very profitable fundraiser.

Regina Coeli School is hosting a fundraising bus trip to: Mohegan Sun CASINO

ONLY A FEW SEATS LEFT

When: Sunday, November 6th

Time: Bus leaves Regina Coeli rear parking lot at 7am and leaves Mohegan Sun at 4:00pm. Return to RC parking lot about 7pm. We will also have a 2nd pickup at McDonald's in Fishkill.

Price: \$50 per person

Includes: \$25 Bonus Package: \$15 food coupon and two \$5 keno bet coupons, games & movies on the bus, six hours of casino gambling, shopping, and fun!!! Only breakfast will be served this trip; you may bring your own afternoon snacks and beverages.

Contact person: [Kara Sweet 229-6692](tel:229-6692) Make checks payable to: Regina Coeli School

Send payment either through school mail, c/o Mary-Kate, 6th grade or mail to
Kara Sweet, 29 Park Pl., Hyde Park 12538

IMPORTANT: There are only 47 seats available, so the first 47 paid get them. I cannot reserve the seat without payment, no exceptions.

Thank you for your continued support of Regina Coeli School!!!!

Name: _____

Number of seats: _____