

# The Bear Necessities

Holy Family School

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

10/31/2011

## **From the Desk of the Principal**

Mrs. Brenda Fremin

It's a "Spooktacular" Halloween here at HFS! We hope you and your family enjoys Trick-or-Treating this evening.

Reminder: We will celebrate mass tomorrow (not Thursday) for All Saints Day. Mass will begin at 8:00 a.m., and family members and friends are always welcome to join us for mass.

God Bless,

*Brenda Fremin, Principal*

## **Academic Excellence**

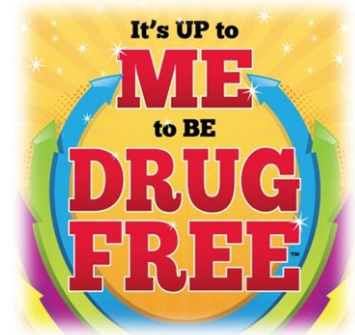
We congratulate students who earned academic excellence for the first nine weeks and are listed on the Principal's List. We also congratulate students who are listed on the Honor Roll for their academic success during the first nine weeks.

## **Red Ribbon Week 2011**

It's Up to Me to be Drug Free

Students learned about Red Ribbon Week last week.

There are posters and flyers around the school. Each student, teacher and staff member signed a pledge to be drug free. Watch the cheerleaders' video on our [school Facebook page](#).



## **Book Fair 2011**

Thank you to all parents, families and students for another successful Book Fair! Thanks to our volunteers, students were able to shop with ease and loved the experience. We will send the total profit as soon as we have it!

## **Fall Fest 2011**

Fall Fest took place on Friday, October 28, and the students enjoyed the afternoon's activities. They decorated their own cookies, jumped in the inflatables, had their face painted, some had their nails painted, busted piñatas, did relay races and even hula-hooped! We are thankful to our Fall Fest Committee and all parent volunteers for the hard work and dedication of time! See last page for a few photos. The [school's Facebook page](#) has a Fall Fest photo album.

## **Reminder: Safety Concerns**

Please abide by the school zone speed limit. There is NO dropping off/picking up on 6<sup>th</sup> Street. There is no teacher on duty to ensure the safety of children. Students should not cross the street on Jefferson or 6<sup>th</sup> Street unless they do so with the crossing guards.

## **Fun Friday – This Friday**

Fun Friday is this Friday, November 4. Students can wear free dress with appropriate bottoms. Bottoms approved are uniform shorts/pants, jeans, capris, walking shorts or pants. No gym shorts, mesh or running shorts. No rips/holes in any clothing is allowed. School socks and school shoes are always required.

### **Smoothie Friday – This Friday**

Smoothie Friday is the first Friday of each month. [Click here for the information/order form](#). All orders and payments must be submitted in a sealed envelope by Thursday morning at 8:00 a.m. No late orders are accepted. Each student requires his/her own order form and his/her own payment.

### **Limo to Lunch – This Friday**

The Limo to Lunch prize from the Magazine Drive is this Friday, November 4. Students who are eligible to ride are [listed online](#). All permission slips are due by Thursday, November 3. We will not accept phone calls for permission.

### **Boys' Basketball, Boys/Girls' Soccer Registration**

Boys' basketball and girls & boys' soccer registration is Wednesday, November 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This is for 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

### **Thanksgiving Food Drive**

Our annual school-wide Thanksgiving food drive will take place from November 14 – 18. Details will be forthcoming, but all students are encouraged to start stocking up on non-perishable food items. All items will be donated to the Port Allen Food Pantry to help families in need. Suggested items will be sent to you soon.

### **Area High School Open Houses**

[Click here for the listing from the Catholic Schools Office.](#)

### **Special Thanks**

...to the Bryan family for the donation of the TV/DVD/VHS player for use in our Pre-K4 classroom.  
...to the Ainsworth family for the donation of the TV/VHS player for use in our kindergarten classroom.  
...to all who came out to the Parish's annual Pumpkin Carving Contest!

**November Lunch Menu:** [Click here.](#)

**Principal's List –** [Click here.](#)

**Honor Roll –** [Click here.](#)

### **Volunteer(s) needed**

The Office of Development is in need of one or two volunteers who are willing to do typing for a project. Volunteers must have Word 2007 and be able to volunteer his/her time from home. The project will need to be completed by mid-December. Please contact Kendall Hebert, development director, at [khebert@hfspa.com](mailto:khebert@hfspa.com).

## **Upcoming Events**

*(Clip and save for the week)*



Tuesday, November 1: All Saints Day  
-School mass at 8:00 a.m. (No mass on November 3.)

Wednesday, November 2: All Souls Day  
-Boys' Basketball, Boys' & Girls' Soccer Registration at 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall

Friday, November 4:

-Fun Friday  
-1<sup>st</sup> Grade Retreat  
-[Smoothie Friday](#)  
-[Limo to Lunch](#)

Sunday, November 6:

-[Veterans Parade](#)  
-Diocese of Baton Rouge's Jubilee Mass

November 14 – 18: School-wide Thanksgiving Food Drive (details coming soon)

Don't forget to check the school [calendar online](#) for updates/events. Check out the [athletic calendar](#).

# Fall Fest 2011



Below: Some of our awesome parent volunteers!



# GO BEARS!



Left: Our 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade football team and coaches

Below: Our 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade football team and coaches

## Accelerated Reader Update:

For the month of October:

# of books read: 205

# of words read: 5,058,152

[Click here for more info.](#)

(Page resets on the first of each month.)



Left: The Redemptorist Campus Ministry team directed by Theology Coordinator Lynette Shaffett, led a retreat for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students at Holy Family School on Friday, October 21 in Port Allen.

Pictured is the retreat team: back row (l-r) Philip Huynh, Bryan Miller, Langston Booker, Luke Landaiche, Deno Mullens; middle row (l-r) Taylor Weaver, Haley Englade, Victoria Mercer, Allison Rachel; front row (l-r) Kristen Ashford, Hadley Scallan, and Anne Gunther.

Kristen Ashford, Langston Booker, Haley Englade, Allison Rachel and Taylor Weaver are former students of Holy Family School.