



## **IHM School Newsletter December 12, 2018**

Good Afternoon IHM Families,

The next two weeks will be very busy at IHM. We have concerts, performances and special services to celebrate Jesus's birthday! Many of the individual grade levels will be celebrating His birth in their own way. I know the teachers have been sending communications home to the students to let the families know what is happening. We have so much to celebrate!

We are again asking each family to send a Christmas card to an elderly person in our IHM community. This is a wonderful way to "Thank" a fellow parishioner for supporting our school while sending him/her a Christmas blessing. These cards truly mean so much to those who receive them. If you are willing to participate, please include your name in the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=dLuGV0jgvkCe43deJiyWJmQy521UxL1Ck0Fwlf15S0tUQVpTS0EwRE5KWkMzNkY1MEFCQldBOVVNUS4u>

We will send you a name and address of someone in our community. Many times those who receive these cards are at a point in their lives that they don't get many Christmas cards, so cards from our students and their families mean so much to them.

I hope you are all enjoying this Advent season. I look forward to seeing many of you around campus in the next few days.

Much peace and many blessings,

Mrs. Devine

### **THIS WEEK'S EVENTS**

#### **Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**

Star Lab  
Grades K thru 2

9:30am School Reconciliation  
Church

7:00pm Band/Choir Concert – Grades 5-8  
Gymnasium

#### **Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**

8:15am All School Mass – 6B

Church

6:30pm      Preschool Christmas Concert  
Gymnasium

**Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**

**SPIRIT WEAR DAY**

**Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**

Food from the Heart Collection  
Church

9:30am      Student Ministry Mass – Grade 6  
Church

**Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

7:00am      PTO Cookie Exchange Drop Off  
School Office / Heritage Hall

8:15am      All School Mass – 4D  
Church

6:30pm      Reconciliation  
Lourdes Room – Church

**Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>**

7:30am      PTO Cookie Exchange and Staff Purse  
Heritage Hall

1:30pm      Nativity Play – School Performance  
Church

6:00pm      Nativity Play – Evening Performance  
Church

**Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00am      GRAND GUEST DAY  
School Campus**

**12:00pm      IHM SCHOOL CLOSED  
Christmas Break Begins**

**Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup>**

**IHM SCHOOL CLOSED  
Christmas Break**

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **GRAND GUEST DAY – IMPORTANT INFORMATION!**

**Our Grand Guest Day celebration will be the morning of Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. You can see details about the day [HERE](#).**

**We need all families to complete the 2 online forms found under “Campus Activities” on the main page of the School Website.**

**\*\*WE STILL NEED 200+ STUDENTS TO COMPLETE AN EXIT SLIP**

**\*\*Please note – IHM School will close at 12pm on Grand Guest Day! No Busing or After Care. All students are CAR RIDERS!\*\***

### **AFTER CARE ANNOUNCEMENT – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

After Care will close at 5:30pm on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> in preparation for the Nativity Play that evening.

After Care will be CLOSED on Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. **School will close at 12pm on Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Child Care for Upcoming Christmas Events**

IHM School will provide Child Care on a first come, first served basis for the evening Band/Choir Concert, Preschool Christmas Concert and the Nativity Play. See the link [HERE](#) to sign up!

### **Find IHM School On Facebook AND Twitter AND Instagram!**

We ask all our parents to “like” our school Facebook page (different than the IHM PTO Facebook page).

Our Facebook handle is **@immaculateheartofmaryschool**

We ask that you also follow our school on Twitter!

Our Twitter handle is **@ihm\_school**

You can also follow us on Instagram!

Our Instagram handle is **ihmschool**

### **Nativity Play Information**

A flyer regarding this special evening went home with each K-4 student today and is attached to the Newsletter (electronically to the email and at the bottom of the online version on school website). If you have any questions please contact your student’s homeroom teacher.

**\*\*Please Note** – Parents have 2 options to attend the Nativity Play. There is a Student Performance at 1:30pm OR an Evening Performance at 6pm, both on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Parents and family members are welcome to attend either of these performances. Please avoid the pews reserved for students and staff. We kindly ask that the Grand Guest Performance on Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup> is for Grand Guests ONLY.

### **McNicholas HS Free Admission Night for Basketball**

Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> McNick Basketball vs. Alter. Freshman Game starts at 4:30 p.m.; JV Game starts at 6 p.m.; Varsity Game starts at 7:30 p.m. After the Varsity game, join us in the Courtyard for the McNicholas Christmas Light Show and Christmas carols. Enjoy the warmth of our community and a cup of hot cocoa.

### **Yearbook Pictures**

PARENTS- If you have any photos you'd like to see in the yearbook, please visit Mrs. Current's Shutterfly share site and add your photos to the appropriate section. **The password to login is Crusader**. Mrs. Current and the Journalism class are excited to incorporate your beautiful photos into our school yearbook!

<https://ihmyearbook20182019.shutterfly.com/>

### **High School Information**

#### **Ursuline**

Christmas Concert and Hot Chocolate Bar on Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Celebrate the Christmas season with us! 5th - 8th grade girls and their families are invited to join us for a hot chocolate bar before Ursuline's Annual Christmas Concert. Learn a bit about Ursuline's music program and get into the holiday spirit through beautiful performances from Ursuline's talented vocal and instrumental ensembles and show choir.

## **IHM PTO INFORMATION**

**CHECK IT OUT!** A reader friendly version of this newsletter can be found on the PTO webpage under Parent Resources or you can click on this [Quick Link](#).

### **FUNDRAISING**

#### **Win-It Wednesday Giveaway**

We are excited to announce the Win-It Wednesday \$50 Giveaway winner! For every \$100 donation to the Fall Fundraiser, the donor received an entry and the winning entry goes back into the pot each week. Thanks for your support. And the winner of \$50 is Rayan and Anna Coutinho. Congratulations!

#### **Stocking Stuffer Offers end tomorrow 12/13**

Coupon Books, Scene 75 cards and Sky Zone passes~ Purchase online! Login to [myschoolanywhere.com](http://myschoolanywhere.com) or the convenient MSA app and shop our "Store" and pay with PayPal. (if you do not know your login or password, please contact [ihmpto@gmail.com](mailto:ihmpto@gmail.com)). Stocking stuffer items will come home week of 12/17. See the details at flyers at [Scene 75 & Skyzone Christmas Break Flyer](#) and [Coupon Book Flyer](#).

### **EVENTS**

#### **Staff Appreciation – Cookie Exchange!**

Coming up in one week! The Staff Cookie Exchange is the morning of Wednesday, December 19. Parents volunteer to help with the event and to donate delicious cookies for the teachers and staff. This is a truly magical holiday event which is loved by the staff. If you want to donate cookies, please bring 2 dozen of your favorite holiday cookies ANYTIME on Tuesday, December 18 or BEFORE 7:00 am on Wednesday, December 19 (drop off details are on the Sign Up) or we can make arrangements with you. If you would like to help at the event or if you would like to donate cookies, please sign up at [Sign Up Genius - Staff](#)

**SKATING PARTY** – School's Out, Let's Skate! The PTO will be hosting a school-wide Skating Party on Thursday, January 3, 2019 from 6:30-8:30. PTO will provide rink admission and skate rental to all students in K-8. Parent volunteers will be on-site, so you may drop your kids off or feel free to stay and mingle with other parents. The concession stand will be available for the purchase of drinks and food items. Please go to "Sign Ups" on [www.myschoolanywhere.com](http://www.myschoolanywhere.com) or app and agree to the permission form or complete the attached [permission form](#) and return to "IHM PTO" via school mail. In the spirit of service to those less fortunate, we will be accepting donations of baby food for *FRANCISCAN DAUGHTERS OF MARY, ROSE GARDEN HOME MISSION*. We thank you in advance for your generosity. Contact Penni Yannessa ([yannessasquad@gmail.com](mailto:yannessasquad@gmail.com)) or Tracey Barszczewski ([tbarszczewski@outlook.com](mailto:tbarszczewski@outlook.com)) with questions. Please see [Skating Party Flyer](#) and [Permission Form](#) for more details.

**CAREER DAY** – We need YOU on Tuesday, January 29 to talk about your job with IHM Students! Volunteers are needed to participate in short presentations to small group audiences throughout the day. We are hoping for a wide variety of presenters to open our children's minds to a variety of career options. Please Sign Up at this link by December 15 [Sign Up Genius - Academic](#) If you have any questions, please email Sheri May at [sherimay76@gmail.com](mailto:sherimay76@gmail.com) or call [513-404-8119](tel:513-404-8119). Click [Career Day 2018](#) for the flyer.

**Staff Appreciation Lunch** – We need your help with volunteers during the All Staff Lunch on Wednesday, January 30 from 10:50am – 12:00pm. Two parents will be supervising each class from 11:00-12:00 while the entire IHM staff eats lunch together. The parents will report to the homeroom classroom at 10:50am and get instructions on what to do with the students and where you will be supervising them (e.g. in the homeroom classroom, a Specials classroom, lunch, recess, etc.). If you would like to do this, please Sign Up at [Sign Up Genius - Staff](#) or if you prefer, you can help in the lunch with set up, serving or clean up which are also on the Sign Up link. Care child will be provided

during this event; link will be provided closer to event.

**Our IHM Parents "Man the Car Drop off Line"** - We are planning to give the staff a break from the cold and parents will "man the car drop off line" on Monday January 28th through Friday, February 1st. Stop by on your way to work or bring your kids to drop off and stay to help for a few minutes from 7:40am-8:00am. This is a great "short time commitment" volunteer opportunity, especially for moms and dads who work outside the home but can spare a few minutes in the morning. If able to help, please sign up at [Sign Up Genius - Staff](#)

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Volunteers are needed to help chaperone the **Christmas Break Roller Skating Party** on 1/3 at Beechmont Rollerena! Come join the fun as the kids blow off some steam! **10** additional volunteers are needed to help! Please contact Tracey Barszczewski at [tbarszczewski@outlook.com](mailto:tbarszczewski@outlook.com) or Penni Yanessa at [yannessasquad@gmail.com](mailto:yannessasquad@gmail.com) or click on the following link to volunteer: [Sign Up Genius - Social](#)

**The Father Daughter Dance** will be here before we know it on 1/19! **2** volunteers are needed to help with set up and **11** additional volunteers are still needed to help during the dance and **3** additional volunteers are needed to help close the event! This is a fun event to volunteer for! Please contact Kelly Pleiman at [kbeischel@yahoo.com](mailto:kbeischel@yahoo.com) or Julia Wallner at [juliamwallner@gmail.com](mailto:juliamwallner@gmail.com) with any questions or click on the following link to volunteer: [Sign Up Genius - Social](#)

**The IHM Open House** is coming up on 1/27 and is in need of volunteers to make this a great success! **7** volunteers are still needed during the 11:30- 1:30 shift and **12** volunteers are still needed during the 1:30-3:30 shift to help during the event! Please contact Kanessa Kramer at [kanessa.Kramer@cbts.net](mailto:kanessa.Kramer@cbts.net) with any questions or click on the following link with any questions: [Sign Up Genius - Open](#)

**Science Day** is scheduled for 1/28 and is in need of volunteers to help make this a great event! **3** volunteers are needed to assist with stations from 7:45 to 11 am and **3** volunteers are needed to help where needed from 11:45-3 pm. Clean up help is needed after the event from 3-4 pm. Please contact Diana Loebker at [diana.araiza@live.com](mailto:diana.araiza@live.com) or Leslie Fehlinger at [fehlinger@zoomtown.com](mailto:fehlinger@zoomtown.com) with any questions or click on the following link to volunteer: [Sign Up Genius - Academic](#)

### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:**

12/18 – Cookie Exchange Drop Off  
12/19 – Staff Appreciation Cookie Exchange  
12/20 – Grand Guest Day  
1/3 – IHM Skating Party  
1/19 – Father Daughter Dance  
1/27 – IHM Open House  
1/28 – Science Day  
1/29 – Career Day

\*\*Missing a flyer or need another form? Flyers and forms for current events and contests can be found by following this [Quick Link](#) to the Parent Resources tab on the PTO Webpage.

## **IHM PARISH INFORMATION**

### **Shop\$mart**

Only 2 weeks left to get that Christmas shopping done! The Perfect Gift or Stocking Stuffer Gift Card is waiting for your pick up! Shop Shop\$mart for IHM after weekend masses in the Fatima Room or the Parish Office during business hours. The Parish website has a complete list of gift cards we have available!

