



Holy Spirit

EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

WEEK OF JANUARY 16TH – JANUARY 20TH

Monday, January 16:	Martin Luther King Day	HSES and CEC Closed
Tuesday, January 17:	January Birthday Chapel, Grades K – 8	8:05 a.m. in the Nave
	Board of Trustees Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 18:	PTO Board Meeting	8:00 a.m. Room 203
Thursday, January 19:	No Chapel, Grades K – 8	
	2 nd Quarter Reading Awards, Grades K – 8	
Friday, January 20:	HSES Homecoming!!!!	
	Pep Rally	3:00 p.m. in the Gym
	Girls Varsity Basketball Game vs Grace	4:15 p.m. in the Gym
	Boys Varsity Basketball Game vs Grace	5:15 p.m. in the Gym
	Alumni Gathering	6:30 - 9:00 p.m. in Room 503 (Mrs. Hogan's room)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

“Spotlight on Holy Spirit Episcopal School”

Thursday, January 26, 2012

6:30 p.m.

This event is our annual curriculum Open House. You will have the opportunity not only to see your child's current work in progress but to preview next year's grade to see what is ahead. Throughout the evening, students will perform, teachers will present curriculum in their classrooms, and all of HSES's different activities will be showcased. It is a very exciting evening and all families are encouraged to attend!! (All students will be required to wear their official chapel uniform).

Be sure to encourage your neighbors and friends to join us to see all that HSES has to offer!! No formal RSVP is required. However, if you would like an invitation sent to a perspective family, please contact our Admissions Director, Robyn LaRocca.

AUCTION UPDATE

The Holy Spirit Community Auction is around the corner!

Invitations have been mailed and fabulous items have been donated! The big event will take place on February 4, 2012. Please return your reservation card as soon as possible, as seating is limited. Contact Christine Paige- Acquisitions Chair (crpaige@comcast.net) or Brooke Frank (bbfrank@hses.org) for information on donating.

Get your NEW HSES car sticker today!

The new car stickers are available in the front office!

HSES HOMECOMING JANUARY 20, 2012



Please join us for a fun afternoon at HSES as we watch the Girls and Boys Varsity Basketball teams take on Grace for Homecoming! The fun starts with a school-wide Pep Rally, with cheering led by Dance Tree at 3:00 p.m. in the Gym. The Girls Varsity Basketball team will take to the floor at 4:15 p.m. and the Boys Varsity Basketball game will begin at 5:15 p.m. Both Varsity teams are in the hunt to be Conference Champions, so please come and cheer them on! Concessions will be available throughout both games, including hot dogs and Chick-fil-A.

Homecoming t-shirts go on sale Wednesday, January 18th and may be worn to school on Friday for Homecoming.

FACULTY NEWS

Twelfth Night (or What You Will)

Greg Scurria (1st Grade Teacher) makes his Houston directorial debut this weekend with the Katy Visual and Performing Arts Center production of William Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night (or What you Will)*. This rollicking comedy has it all: mistaken identity, unrequited love, sword fights, singing, dancing, and even a pirate! The play runs January 13th, 14th, 20th, and 21st at 8:00 p.m. and January 15th and 22nd at 2:00 p.m. at the KVPAC (2501 S. Mason Rd, Katy, TX in the Great Southwest Equestrian Center.) The show is appropriate for PG-13 viewers and up.

LIBRARY NEWS

Mid-year Reading Awards - Thursday, January 19th, 8:05 a.m. in the Nave

Pins will be awarded to Lower School and Middle School students who have completed reading (or have had read-to-them) their grade appropriate Texas Library Association Reading List Books: 2x2 (K-2nd grade); Bluebonnet (3rd-6th grade); or Lone Star (7th & 8th grade). To ensure your student receives their award pin, have them stop by the Library prior to Tuesday, January 17th with their completed reading list or send an e-mail to librarian@hses.org.

BLUEBONNET AWARD VOTING - Wednesday, January 18th & Thursday, January 19th

All students in 3rd – 6th grades who have read 5 Bluebonnet Books may vote in the Library.

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

Lost and Found

The lost and found outside of the Middle School office will be cleaned out on Wednesday, January 18th. All clothing left will be donated to the used clothing sale. Other non-uniform clothing will be donated to Goodwill. Please make sure you check the lost and found if you are missing items. There are items belonging to all grade levels.

VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS NEWS

HSES brought home 16 ribbons from the 2012 Houston Livestock and Rodeo Art Show!



This year's winners are:

Finalist: Christopher Grow (4th grade), Onuchi Ndee (5th grade), Sarah Lasater (8th grade)

Blue: Grace Gogola (5th grade), Lily Roberts (5th grade), Maggie Lennon (8th grade)

Red: Omesi Abulu (4th grade), Sydney Brown (5th grade), Nathan Jolly (7th grade), Emma Wertheimer (8th grade)

White: Katherine Lunam (4th grade), Nicholas Lucena (7th grade), Grant Williams (7th grade), Sam Shatto (8th grade), Hayley Schultz (8th grade), Evan Parish (8th grade)

Good work and congratulations!



Holy Spirit's Got Talent dinner and talent show will be on Friday, January 27th, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Tickets will be for sale at morning carpool on both Wednesday, January 18th and Friday, January 20th. Or, you may download the reservations form for dinner from the HSES website (ARTS. Coming Attractions) and they are available in the front office. Don't

miss out on this exciting evening that will showcase the wonderful talents of our Holy Spirit community. Dinner is being catered by the Skoumpourdis family, and our very own Mr. Warren Murphy (5th grade teacher) is the Master of Ceremonies. Over 25 acts will be performing during the evening with tons of fun, great prizes, and a few surprises! Please come and support our students, parents, and teachers in their performances.

The cast of **“Seussical, Jr.”** will present a ‘teaser’ from the MS Production during the Open House, Thursday, January 26th. This Broadway Junior Musical is scheduled for April 26th, 27th, and 28th, and includes HSES students from pre-school through 8th grade as cast members. Mrs. Hogan is looking for volunteers to help with rehearsals and staging. If you would be interested, please email her at dbhogan@hses.org.

LOWER SCHOOL NEWS

Uniform Reminders

Parents are responsible for sending their children well-groomed and properly dressed each school day in the **required HSES uniform**.

Please note a few of the following:

- White socks should cover a minimum of **2 inches** above the top of the ankle bone.
No tennis socks!
- Athletic shoes may be **white, red, gray, or black** with shoelaces of the same color. No slip-on athletic shoes are allowed due to safety concerns
- Girls should wear white, red, or black —modesty shorts under their skirts.
- Boys' shirts, polo or official are tucked in at all times, except during physical education or recess.
- On cold official uniform days, only the LS sweater or school fleece jacket may be worn to chapel to keep warm.
- On cold, informal uniform days, only Holy Spirit Episcopal School LS red cardigan sweater, school fleece jacket, or Saints sweatshirt/hoodie may be worn in the classroom with the uniform to keep warm.
- Any appropriate jacket or coat may be worn to or from school, or outside during playground, **but not in the building or to chapel**.

For a complete list of our dress code policy, please visit the HSES web site (under the parents icon, select 2011-2012 forms and information where you will select EC and LS Student-Parent Handbook and go to page 24).

Backpacks and Rolling Bags

If your student is opting to use a rolling bag it must comply with these size restrictions: Height – 18” Base – 11” X 11” (measuring from most exterior points).

CLASSROOM FUN!

“To Tell the Truth” . . . HSES-style!



Mr. Ferretti's 7th Grade Modern World History class used a game-show format to learn more about Galileo. So, was it contestant # 1, contestant #2, or contestant #3?

What a fun way to learn about a slice of history!