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WEDNESDAY JANUARY 9, 2019

Principal's Pen

Happy New Year to one and all! I pray that our Lord God will bless us abundantly in the year of 2019. I trust everyone had a great Christmas Break. I think the students were eager to come back to school.

Thanks to all the students and families who generously gave money towards Christmas gifts for the Salvation Army Toy Give-Away. It was a challenge for the 7th/8th graders to exactly spend the money allocated to them when we bought gifts at Walmart. We had close to \$400 to spend. Soli De Gloria

Keep collecting and handing in those box tops. HCS got a check for \$349.70, this money helps pay for field trips.

FESTIVAL OF NATIONS

Come learn about 12 foreign lands, see artifacts of different cultures and taste ethnic foods this Thursday in the gym from 6:30–7:30 pm. Presented by the 5th/6th grade students.

SPELLING BEE

Friday, January 18 at 1:15 pm, we will hold our annual Spelling Bee with the best spellers from 5th-8th grade. Here are the students who qualified: 5th – Sabrina Bauers, Vienna Loverink, 6th – Nicholas Slegh, 7th – Nolan Brooks, McKenna Wallace, 8th – Ezra Eggum, Dakota Mueller, Lucas Ravenhorst, Abby Thoreson. The top speller will attend the Regional Spelling Bee in Rochester on February 11.

PARTNERS IN PRAYER

Join us tomorrow from 7:30-7:50 am in the library for our Partners in Prayer meeting. This is a time to lift up in prayer our students, staff and HCS events. God has been so faithful to HCS in the years past and we want to continue to pray for his presence and his direction in the years to come.

MILK & PIZZA ORDERS

Milk and pizza order forms came home this week. Fill them out and return it with payment. Please make checks out to HCS for milk orders and HCS Pizza Fund for pizza orders.

SAVE THE DATE

Please mark your calendar for Friday, February 15 for an all-school sledding party at Skinner's Hill in Austin. Sledding will start around 5:00 p.m. with a potluck at 6:00 in Westminster Presbyterian Church (at the top of the hill). More details to follow as the date gets closer. It will be a great time of fun and fellowship! If you have any questions, contact Lenette Baron (433-9757 or lenette@hotm.com).

OPEN HOUSE

The **HCS Open House** is set for **Thursday, March 7 from 5-7:00 pm**. This is an opportunity for people in the community to have a walkthrough of our school, talk to the teachers & board members, and ask questions. Please share the date with anyone interested in getting more information about HCS. We will have printed cards that will be coming home in backpacks soon to personally invite those you know who may be interested. We have more detailed information to offer if you know of anyone who is considering HCS. In addition, we are looking for some volunteers to be:

- Outreach**-be willing to host a table at your church to hand out info
- Greeters**- stand by the front door to greet those who come
- Tour guides**- walking families around the school and introducing them to teachers
- donations of **goodies & juice** for refreshments

Our goal is to let our communities have a chance to get to know what our mission is and invite them to come alongside us. We hope to reach more families and children to grow God's kingdom! Please be in prayer that this event goes over well, and families will be reached! Please contact Holly Muilenburg if you are interested in any way to help. Thanks for considering! (hollymuilenburg@yahoo.com or 383-2899)