



High Flier

November 23, 2011

The mission of Holy Trinity Lutheran School is to reach out to families and children with the Good News of Jesus through a Christ-centered, loving, and forgiving environment of academic excellence.

From the Director:

What an awesome meal we had on Monday, and it was so good to see so many of our families coming in to enjoy a special meal. We are truly blessed in so many ways.

As I continue to ponder all of the things that I am thankful for, I question whether I truly appreciate all that God has blessed me with. I am thankful for things like my job, for my health, and for my family. I'm thankful for a loving preschooler that runs to give me a hug, for a car that will start, and for the antique hair clippers that allow me to cut my own hair.

But I would be the biggest fool ever if I didn't take the opportunity to express my thankfulness and gratitude for my wonderful wife. Her unwavering support continues in spite of the long days, late night meetings, and weekend commitments. In my toughest days of work I always have a loving wife waiting to offer a listening ear and words of encouragement. I am truly blessed.

I wish everyone a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving!

With Gratitude!!!
Mr. Bill Hiskey

Our Thanksgiving Lunch was a huge success and quite delicious. Thank you to the kitchen staff and to all who joined us, helped with food, service, and clean up.



Thanksgiving Eve Service
Wednesday, November 23
at 6:30 p.m.

Join us at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for a special service of giving thanks to our faithful Lord.

HTLS ALUMNI NEWS: Grant Sims, Sloan Stuart, & Abby Smith were among students recognized for their academic achievements by WKU. The annual High School Scholars recognition ceremony honored area high school seniors who qualify for renewable scholarships to WKU. Congratulations to Grant, Sloan, & Abby!



Remember we are out of school November 23-25 for Thanksgiving Break. School resumes on Monday, November 28. We are not offering Extended Care at HTLS, but if you need childcare please contact the School Office. Some of our aides may be willing to offer childcare.

December Enrichment Activity Dates

Art Club: Tuesday, December 6

Science Club: Thursday, December 8

Team Building Club: Monday, December 12

American Girl Club: Wednesday, December 14

Cooking & Creativity Club: Will meet in January!

New Yellow Chapel Shirts

We have a few new yellow t-shirts available in the office for \$9.00 each. There are:

3 Smalls, 2 Mediums and 2 Large

Please stop in if you are interested!!

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Lost and found is full! Please check if your child has something in it. Thanks!

FROM THE KITCHEN STAFF: We are requesting help from one person for one hour per week to help with some light cleaning. This is a great volunteer opportunity for a School Parent! Contact the School Office if you can assist in this area.

Fundrai\$ing Effort\$:

Restaurant Nights

Tuesday, November 29: Cici's Night 4-8 pm

Thursday, December 8: ChuckeCheese 3pm-close

Please try to attend restaurant nights, as our turnout directly affects the funds we raise! If you have other ideas for restaurants, please let Jennifer know.

Give Gifts with SCRIP!!

We will be ordering SCRIP Cards at least once more before Christmas. Keep in mind what great presents gift cards are and how much easier they make holiday shopping. An updated merchant list and order form is attached. Happy Giving!!



To help stay ahead of the game, it'd be great if you could help your kiddos use one of the attached Boxtop sheets to cut and paste boxtops. It's a great quiet time activity that will make them feel like they are helping...and they will be! Thanks a bunch!

Thank you to Joyce Jones (Hope-1st and Bryan-K) for organizing our Box Tops collection this year.

Mark Your Calendars for These Upcoming December Events!



Our Float in the Parade!

CHRISTMAS PARADE!!!

We have submitted the form to have a float in the parade. The parade date is Saturday, December 3. Will you volunteer to help with this event? If so, please contact Bill Hiskey. **Remember, if you have too much candy at home, we can throw it in the parade, so drop it by the office. Thanks!**



Children's Christmas Program –Sunday, December 11
@ 3:00 p.m. for all students. Mark your calendars!
Look for more details in the coming weeks.

50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: That's right Holy Trinity turned 50 this year! We'll have a celebration on Sunday, December 18 after the church services. Please RSVP as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly. You can send by email to school.admin@htlc-bg.org or call us at (270) 843 1001 Thanks so much!

ALUMNI! Not only do we hope you attend the celebration, but... we are in the process of creating an official alumni list and need your current information to complete it. Please help by giving us yours. Thanks!

Potter Children's Home is having a clothing drive from November 28th-December 9th. There will be a collection box in the school lobby area during that time.

Please help someone in need by donating gently used or new items to the drive. Thanks and God Bless!



Christmas Break is Fast Approaching!



December 19th will be the last day for students in 2011. We return to school on January 3rd, 2012.

Celebrate
Christmas in Kentucky
at the
Kentucky Museum
Saturday, December 3, 2011
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Gather the entire family this December and celebrate the gift of community through this free event!

- Children's Activities
- Carolers
- Magician
- Ornament Making
- Gingerbread Sampling
- Pictures with Santa & Mrs. Claus
- Visit with Big Red

Free Admission
Don't forget your camera!

WKU Libraries

Parenting Tip

November 22, 2011

The Gratefulness Principle

Gratitude increases closeness in relationships. As you parent your children, look for opportunities to take advantage of gratefulness to draw closer to your kids. Give your children small gifts of love day after day. Be careful, though, that you don't confuse the gratefulness principle with the overindulgence trap.

Some parents, wanting their children to like them, recognize giving gifts opens the heart, so they overdo it by giving them too many things. Giving to your kids must be tied into relationship, or the gifts feed selfishness instead of gratefulness.

Overindulgence is giving your children more than their character can handle. When children lack gratitude, then the more you give them, the less they appreciate. Parents must restrain themselves or they'll exceed their children's ability to manage the blessings.

Overindulged children rarely become grateful when you give them more things. They grow to be more demanding and selfish. Parents then feel unappreciated and become resentful. The hearts of both parents and children harden toward each other, and closeness becomes a thing of the past.

If your children become overindulged rather than grateful, then pull back on the area where you're giving too much. Look for creative ways to give differently to your child. Teaching the heart gratefulness can be a challenge. Having a child say thank you is just behavior. Gratefulness comes from the heart.

Monitor your child's response to gifts of love to determine if you're growing gratitude or overindulgence. As gratefulness increases, you can slowly give blessings in a way that will produce more gratefulness. You'll know if you're moving too quickly by your child's response.

This parenting tip comes from the book series, [Parenting is Heart Work](#) by Dr Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller.

What are some ways you've been able to teach your kids gratefulness? [Click here](#) to tell us about it.

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