



# High Flier

## January 6, 2012

*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:**

Happy New Year! I am excited to see what blessings are in store for us in 2012. The future is definitely looking good!

Do you know why? Because Christ is already there! He is preparing each day that awaits us just as He is preparing our eternal home with Him in heaven. And we have the joy and privilege of sharing that Good News with children every day.

May you all experience the blessings that come with focusing on Christ in this new year.

***In Peace,  
Mr. Bill Hiskey***



On behalf of the entire staff, thank you to all of our wonderful parents for the Christmas gifts shared with us over the holidays. May each of our families be blessed as they have been a blessing.

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Report cards were sent home with students this week, please do not forget to sign and return them.

**School will be CLOSED on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> in observation of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

### **HTLS on Television, Almost!!!!**

#### **Made In The USA**

As a part of a recent history lesson, Ms. Whittamore's 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade class had watched several episodes of Good Morning America with Robin Roberts and focused on the "Made in the USA" segments. Later, the class took a field trip to Mammoth Cave National Park. During that field trip, students noticed that the items for sale in the gift shop were mainly produced outside of the United States. Every product, in fact, except one. Being the dynamic learners and thinkers that these students are, an idea developed that has literally now become a part of history.

During the students return to School, they decided they needed to take this issue further than the realm of their classroom. With the help and encouragement of Ms. Whittamore, the class composed a letter that focused on purchasing items made in the USA . They sent copies to various local government officials, state government officials, national government officials, the President of America, the Department of the Interior, local media outlets, and to ABC News.

You may have noticed that unfortunately, ABC News was not able to air the segment produced by the WBKO station because of the lengthy coverage of the death of North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un that day. Below is a link where you can click and see the segment. Please do, we are so proud of our students!

<http://abcnews.go.com/blogs/business/2011/12/made-in-america-christmas-goes-to-school/#.TvJYuAd7J3A.email>

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**Kindergarten Upward Basketball Games**  
begin this Saturday morning in the HT gym. Please enter through the covered doors where students are dropped off. Good luck boys and girls!

We are all very proud of our HTLS students whose artwork is featured in the BGMU cookbook and calendar. They did a fantastic job! Please stop by the BGMU office to pick up a free copy of these items.



**School Closing Information**

Remember that Holy Trinity follows the city schools when it comes to decisions for school closings. Information will be available on the WBKO Polar Report on TV or on WBKO's web site.



**January Enrichment Activity Dates**

- American Girl Club: **Wednesday, January 11**
- Science Club: **Thursday, January 12**
- Cooking & Creativity Club: **Tuesday, January 17**
- Team Building Club: **Monday, January 23**

Accelerated Reader Club: **Thursday, Jan. 19 and 26**

Please stop in the office if your child will be joining the AR club so we can add him/her to the list.  
Thanks!

**Fundrai\$ing Effort\$:**

**Restaurant Nights**

Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>: **Zaxby's Night 5-8 pm**

Zaxby's located on the by-pass, just passed the intersection of 31W and Chestnut Street will give **10% of all sales** back to HTLS, so invite your friends and neighbors to come eat as well!

If you have other ideas for restaurants, please let Jennifer know.

AR Update – Our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students took a reading level test just before the Christmas break. This test is connected with our Accelerated Reader program and tests the students on their vocabulary and reading ability. Our students showed remarkable performance with several students performing as much as four grade levels higher than their current grade. Reading is very much a strength of HTLS, and thanks to the wonderful work of Mrs. Andrews our children continue to show tremendous improvement in their reading abilities.

AR Club – for all 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will begin on Jan. 19 after school. Students need to stop in the school office to sign up.

**SCRIP** orders will continue throughout the remainder of the school year. Please keep them in mind for personal use as well as for gifts! If you would like to place an order, just let us know, we can do it any time!

**Candles arrived over Christmas Break!**

If you haven't picked up your order yet, please do so at your convenience. Orders are in the office.

**Big thanks to Melanie Franklin (Alex - P3 and Addyson - P4 for running the sales!**



**Reminder, on next Friday (January 13) the students are allowed to come to School sporting crazy hair and faces in honor of Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>!!! Can't wait to see what they come up with!**

## Parenting Tip

December 30, 2011

### Desire and Temptation

We all wish our children would desire the right things in life and avoid tempting situations. Desires reside in the heart and can be good or bad. Psalm 37:4 tells us "Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart." Knowing the difference between a healthy desire and a temptation, however, can be a challenge at times, especially for kids.

A great tool in this area is your own transparency. You encounter desires and temptations every day. By talking with your children about how you deal with those situations, you can provide your kids with examples that will help them learn what to do with their own desires and temptations.

Twelve-year-old Sean asked his mom why she didn't get angry when she was cut off on the road, giving Mom a perfect opportunity to talk about how she lets it go so she doesn't have to harbor the anger. Mom knew that Sean needed that message because he'd been treated unfairly at school and was tempted to act out his own anger. Sean listened and pondered what his mom said. Mom watched the wheels turn in his head and knew she had just connected somewhere deep inside her son.

Don't miss the opportunities provided by day-to-day life to point out to your children appropriate ways to deal with desires. Explain to your kids why you pursue some desires and let others go, and help your children see how those principles apply to their own lives as well. Your transparency can be a valuable guide as your children wrestle with desires.

How have you addressed good and bad desires in your child's heart? [Click here to tell us about it.](#)

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

*If this tip was sent to you by a friend and you'd like to continue to receive tips yourself, you can sign up at [www.biblicalpharenting.org](http://www.biblicalpharenting.org).*

## **Start With The Heart**

Presented by Laura Cross

Saturday, January 21

8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

ClearView Baptist Church

537 Franklin Road

Franklin, TN 37069

A children's program is provided to complement what the parents are learning. The cost is \$10 per adult. Register online at [www.clearview.org](http://www.clearview.org) or [www.incm.org](http://www.incm.org) or call (615) 791-3780.

You will learn practical ways to move from a behavior modification approach to a heart-based approach to parenting, including seven categories of consequences to help children change their hearts. Parents love the five-step Instruction Routine to teach children cooperation and responsibility. And the Positive Conclusion helps parents end discipline times with impact. To learn more about what will be taught, [click here](#).

This seminar is provided by the International Network of Children's Ministry and the National Center for Biblical Parenting. Come learn practical tools you can use right away. You'll be glad you did. The seminar is for parents of children ages 2-18. Sign up today!