

Catholic Schools Week

MONDAY, Jan. 29 — Reading Rainforest ... Go Wild for Books! Celebrate reading by visiting the Scholastic Book Fair in the school cafeteria, which parents will transform into a Reading Rainforest. During this Book Preview Day, students may dress as their favorite book characters or simply “go wild” with wacky hair, wacky socks, mismatching outfits, or by wearing their ultimate fashion “mistakes.” This will be a non-uniform day, so students may also wear blue jeans and school colors as they browse book fair selections while creating wish lists for their parents to later approve. A public family book sale event will be held in the cafeteria from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. All are invited to a brief PSA meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m., to be followed by a school Open House from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Please join us in celebrating the academic achievements of our wonderful students. PSA parents will host the Open House. Each teacher will select their own classroom fun activities for the day.

TUESDAY, Jan. 30 — Animal Companions. At 1:00 p.m., the Saint Louis Zoo will bring along a few “animal companions” and will test students on their knowledge and skill as they learn how natural adaptations help us and animals. Can you run as fast as a cheetah or leap like a lemur? What is the world's largest snake and which bird travels the most miles? Students are encouraged to dress as their favorite animals this non-uniform day. Book Fair student sales begin in the morning and continue in the afternoon. Students should bring their parent-approved lists with their book payments.

WEDNESDAY, Jan.31 — Hip, Hip Hurray for Pajama Party Day! Students may wear their pajamas to school and bring a simple breakfast of fruit or a granola bar. Pajama pants should be knee-length or longer of “non-see-through” material, with tops waist-length and sleeves. NO SLIPPERS. Each class will be taken to the gym for a special fun activity with P.E. teacher Cindy Reber. Book Fair student sales continue in the morning through noon.

THURSDAY, Feb. 1 — “Arggggg, Matey” Make Way for Acts of Kindness. Students may dress up as pirates, or wear non-uniform attire, as they show their strength of heart. Wear colorful oversized shirts, vests, ruffled shirts, hats and beads, or braid your hair (no weapons or swords). Students will write Valentine cards to veterans and to the homebound. Students will use heart-shaped paper Acts of Kindness they have performed during the day, and teachers will discuss continuing Random Acts of Kindness. Students will be treated to a movie, and the PSA will provide a popcorn snack. Students may bring a drink. A grandparents’ luncheon and playlet for Kindergarten students will be held at 11:30 a.m. The Book Fair concludes in the morning.

FRIDAY, Feb. 2 — Baby Jesus Layette and Student and Staff Spirit Day. Students may dress in their Holy Family School spirit colors of red and black, wear their Spirit Wear, or express their team pride by wearing the colors of their favorite sports teams. HFS volleyball players may wear their team uniform shirts. Students will bring and present layette items in a “Shower for Baby Jesus” during the Offertory portion of the school Mass. Items often most needed are: large and small bottles, pacifiers, blankets, baby shampoo, booties and socks, onesies, bibs, towels and wash cloths, receiving blankets, baby wash, sleepers, and baby wipes. Items may be brought to the classrooms during the week. Food may also be brought for the parish pantry. Fr. Jeff will accept the Acts of Kindness hearts made Thursday by the students and will place them in a heart-shaped box in the Chapel. Students are encouraged to thank the faculty and staff for their contributions. School will dismiss at 11:15 a.m.

SATURDAY, Feb. 3 — Student Council members volunteer to assist at the Knights of Columbus Special Olympics Dinner and Dance.