Hello Families,

**We need your help for trash pickup on Saturday after the ballgame.** The game begins at 1 p.m. Plan to be at the stadium around 3:00-3:30. You can listen to KXCV 90.5 FM and when the game enters the fourth quarter head to the stadium. When you enter, tell them you are on clean up duty and come to the far north side of the stadium. Thanks for your help!

Last week our students signed up for Horace Mann leadership roles. Our Service Leaders will be in charge of the Food Drive that starts next week. They will count the items and record weekly totals. Please see the attached flyer for more information about items that are needed. We've designated specific items for each grade level, but we will take whatever you donate. We will continue the Food Drive until November 21. Help us help others by bringing in lots of canned food items. We have specially marked boxes beside each classroom door for food items. Thanks for helping us help others!

Friday, November 7 we will have breakfast with coffee, juice and water in the Cafe from 7:00-8:00 a.m. Please join me to talk about what is happening at Horace Mann, your celebrations and concerns.

Today we participated in Jump Rope for Heart. Jump Rope for Heart has been around for almost 35 years and in that time the American Heart Association has impacted many lives. Scientists that have been funded by the American Heart Association have gone on to win Nobel Prizes for their work. Working with health care providers, the American Heart Association has been able to reduce the number of people dying from heart disease and stroke by 25%. Thanks for contributing to a great cause! Here's how the American Heart Association allocates donations:

![American Heart Association: 2012-13 fiscal year](image)
There are several dates to put on your calendar for November and December:

**November Calendar:**  **Food Drive-November 1-21**
1  Trash Pickup after the NW game-third grade and anyone else that wants to help
7  **Pastries with the Principal 7:00-8:00 a.m.**
11 Math Night  6:00-7:00 pm Hosted by Jenni Wall’s Elementary Math Methods class, held in the Student Union Ballroom
13 Taco Johns PAC fundraiser (HM receives 50% of all sales between 5-7 pm)
20 Conscious Discipline Parent Night; 6-8 pm  **topic: Choices & Empathy**
25 Thanksgiving Luncheon 11:00 a.m.
25 12:30 pm dismissal
26-28 No School

**December Calendar:**  **Angel Tree Donations-December 1-10**
4  Gaunt House Tree Lighting 5:15 pm Bearcat Choir sings
5  Pastries with Principal 7-8 a.m.
5-10 Scholastic Book Fair in Horace Mann lobby
9  Horace Mann Concert 7 p.m.
12 Last day of semester

Attachments include:
  - Food Drive Flyer
  - Candyland Math Night
  - Crunch for a Cause (Taco Johns Fundraiser)
  - Thanksgiving Invitation and RSVP

A copy of the weekly update is added to the Horace Mann website each week for easy access. Click on the Parent/Student tab and you will see Weekly Update listed.

Have a safe Halloween! Thank you for sharing your children with us!

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