

Hope Christian Academy Update

December 5, 2018

The **Christmas Program** is coming soon – just a week from this **Friday on December 14, 7:00 p.m.** **The drama is really funny and cute.** Students should dress up in preferably solid Christmas colors. Dresses, skirts, dress shirts & pants & ties are appropriate. Dress pants for girls are allowed. Students should arrive and be in their places downstairs (or piano players up by the piano and greeters at the door) by 6:30. Please call or email with any questions!

Please join HCA families in providing **2 dozen cookies or bars** per family for the refreshment time following the performance. A special offering will be taken to go toward paying our HCA staff. An opportunity to sign up for regular giving will be offered. Let's fill that big auditorium up and celebrate the Christmas season with a very inspirational time!

The **field trip this Friday** is to the brand new **Bell Museum of Natural History** in St. Paul. **It costs \$6.**

This Friday **students will exchange names for the Christmas gift exchange** which will happen at the HCA all-school party on Thursday, December 20, the last day of school before break. Students like to play a Secret Pal game that has become a tradition at HCA. We'd like each student to keep the name of the person whom they draw a secret and then see how many acts of kindness, little notes or gifts delivered, etc. that they can secretly do for this person leading up to the party on December 20. At the party, we'll see how many people can guess who their Secret Pal was. Gifts for the party should be small, maybe a \$15 value or less and have only the receivers name on the outside. Spending is not the object- notes, hand drawn pictures, or pieces of candy make great day-to-day gifts. Some students ask teachers to deliver their trinkets to their secret pal's desk so that no one will know where it came from. This is all just for fun. Creativity and loving attention each day along the way is encouraged! (PreK will not participate)