Holy Family School Newsletter

Important Information & Upcoming Events

February 2012

PD Day February 3rd

Masses & Celebrations

February 5 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

February 7 Virtue Assembly

9:15 am at School

February 12 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

February 19 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

February 22 Ash Wednesday Mass

9:30 am at Holy Trinity Church

February 26 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

February 29 Lenten Liturgy

2:20 pm at School

Skating

Our Skating Program continues. It is mandatory that students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 4 wear a helmet, and mittens/gloves must be worn by *all* students at *all* times. As well, no child or adult will be permitted on the ice surface at any time without skates. Given that some children currently do not have skates or helmets, we do have a few extras that students are welcome to *borrow* on skating days.

Please note that if students are bringing their skates on the school bus, all ice skates must have the blades suitably protected with guards and must be stored in a case or school bag. The bag is to be placed on the floor at the student's feet while on the bus.

Family Day Holiday February 20th

From the Principal's Desk

It has been an eventful January for me to say the least... Who would have thought that a little appendix could cause so much trouble! I am eagerly awaiting my return to school in early February.... I can't wait to see the kids. Thank you to Mrs. Montminy for leading the school in my absence.

Term 1 report cards will go home on February 22nd. Even though formal parent-teacher interviews have passed, I encourage you to stay in touch with your child's teacher to discuss progress and next steps heading into term 2. Many of our teachers have websites at **www.teacherweb.com**, which are an excellent way for you to stay informed about the happenings in class as well! I also encourage you to take a look at our school's webpage located on the Board website (www.ncdsb.on.ca). We put all home correspondence, as well as interesting news items, on there. I would appreciate hearing any feedback you may have that could improve our communication with you, our school community.

Next year's JK students are children born in 2008, and our registration is ongoing. If you know of any friends or families that are undecided about which school to send their child to next year, please invite them to contact me. I would love to show them what a wonderful school Holy Family is!!

As always, I wish you Christ's peace in your life. On this note, if you are a Catholic who has been away from your faith for a time and are interested in returning to the church please consider attending Mass this weekend. Mass time at **Holy Trinity Parish is Sunday at 9:00 a.m.** Also, if you are not a Catholic, but would like information on becoming one, please contact the Parish, 544-8023.

Matt Turner

Junior Kindergarten Registration

Holy Family School is continuing to hold Junior Kindergarten Registration for children, born in 2008, who will be in September 2012. Please stop by the

school to pick up your registration package and tour the facilities.

Red-Pink-White Day



Public Speaking

Holy Family School will be holding it's annual Public Speaking competition in the school library on Thursday, February 9th beginning at 9:15 a.m. You are welcome to come and listen to the students speak. The top three finishers in each of the categories will go on to compete at the Branch Level of competition at the Englehart Legion on Sunday, February 12th at 1:30 p.m. The first place finishers in each of the categories at the Branch Level will compete at the Zone competition in Temagami (date yet to be determined). *Best of luck to all of the speakers!*

Report Cards go Home February 22nd

Important Dates for Grade 8 Students

February 1st Englehart High School will be 1:00-3:00 pm hosting an Orientation Day for all Grade 8 students.

February 16th Grade 8 Parents' Information Night 6:00 pm at Englehart High School.

February 21st Grade 8 Graduation Photos at Holy 9:00 am Family School

Upcoming Activities and Events

Please note that some dates could be subject to

Mar 2-10 Englehart Winter Carnival
Mar 7 Lenten Liturgy 10:25 am

Mar 11 Daylight Savings Time (turn clocks ahead)

Mar 12-16 MARCH BREAK Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day

Mar 21 Lenten Reconciliation 10:25 am Lenten Liturgy 12:45 pm

Mar 28 Lenten Mass 9:30 am at Church Mar 30 Classroom Open House 2:20 pm

Apr 4 Lenten Liturgy 1:25 pm Apr 5 Stations of the Cross 2:20 pm Apr 6 Good Friday (holiday)

Apr 9 Easter Monday (holiday) April 16 PD Day (no school for students)

Apr 17 HepB (2nd) & HPV (3rd) vaccinations Apr 18 Easter Mass 9:30 am at Church

Apr 22 Earth Day

Apr 23 Classroom Open House 2:20 pm

May 7 Catholic Education Week Liturgy 9:30 am

May 8 National Teacher's Day May 9 CEW Mass 9:30 am at Church

May 10 Spring Concert 10:00 am
May 11 Marian Liturgy 12:45 pm
Classroom Open House 2:20 pm

May 13 Mother's Day

May 21 Victoria Day (holiday)
May 25 Pentecost Liturgy 2:20 pm
June 8 Classroom Open House 2:20 pm
June 11 PD Day (no school for students)

June 17 Father's Day

June 20 End of Year Mass 9:30 am at Church June 21 Volunteer Luncheon 12:45 pm

June 22 Play Day (am) & BBQ

June 25 HFS Awards Assembly 10:25 am

June 26 HFS Grade 8 Graduation June 27 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Food Bank

Holy Family School accepts donations, at any time, for the local Food Bank. A bin is located at the school office where donations can be deposited. We thank you for your support of those in need.



Temperance is the wisdom to know that not every constructive job requires a hammer.

Wes Fessler