

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT INFORMATION & UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER 2012

Prudence How much better to get wisdom than gold, to choose understanding rather than silver! (Proverbs 16:16)

Masses & Celebrations

<u>November 1</u>	Virtue Assembly 9:00 am at school
<u>November 4</u>	Sunday Mass 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
<u>November 7</u>	Remembrance Mass 9:30 am at Church
<u>November 11</u>	Sunday Mass 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church Remembrance Day Service 10:45 am at Englehart Cenotaph
<u>November 18</u>	Sunday Mass 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
<u>November 25</u>	Sunday Mass 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
<u>November 28</u>	Virtue Assembly 9:00 am at school

Daylight Savings Time ends November 4th

Progress Reports

Please note that student Progress Reports will be sent home on November 14th.

Report cards for all students will be sent home at the end of January and June. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held Wednesday, November 21st from 3:45 – 6:45 pm. If you would like to schedule a meeting, please return your request to the school as soon as possible. If you have any concerns or questions in regards to your child's performance or progress at anytime, please do not hesitate to contact the school.



November 12th is a PA Day

From the Principal's Desk

On Wednesday November 7th at 9:30 am we will attend a Remembrance Mass at Holy Trinity Parish where we will honour and pray for all Canadian Military personnel both past and present. As with all of our Masses, everyone is welcome to attend. This year, Remembrance Day falls on a weekend so I encourage you to attend our local Remembrance Day ceremony at the Englehart Cenotaph on Sunday November 11 at 10:45 a.m. with your children.

Our November Catholic Virtue is "**PRUDENCE**". Essentially, being prudent means that you are able to make the right decision even when it is difficult to do so. To make understanding this concept easier for our students, we will encourage them to ask themselves "**WHAT WOULD JESUS DO?**" when they are confronted with a difficult decision. We hope that, as parents & guardians, you could ask this same question of your children at home when they are making decisions as well.

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 Mrs. Anne Bougie at the Parish, 544-8023. Please know that you are always welcome at the Lord's Table!!

Matt Turner



November 11th is

Remembrance Day

Bubble Gum Day

November 23rd





The Holy Family Catholic School Council will be selling tickets on a \$200 money tree. Tickets can be purchased from Council members or at the school office for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The draw will be held at our Christmas Concert on

December 18th. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for school yard improvement.

November 23rd is Pajama Day

Rotary Christmas Hampers

Once again this year, during the month of November, Holy Family School will be collecting donations of non-perishable food and new gift items for the Rotary Christmas Hampers.

These hampers are distributed during the Christmas Season to less fortunate families within our community and surrounding areas.



We thank you for your generosity.

Sub Day

Friday, November 2nd

Orders Due

Tuesday, October 30th

\$4.50 per 6" Sub



Pizza Day

Friday, November 16th

Orders Due

Tuesday, November 13th

\$2.00 per slice

Music

We are very fortunate at Holy Family School to have two dedicated volunteers who offer their time and expertise to teach music lessons to our students. Mrs. Young is once again teaching violin lessons on Friday mornings to students in Grades 3-8 who are interested in participating. Mrs. Pratt is here on Tuesday to teach ukulele lessons to the Grade 3-4 students, and she also works with the Grade 7-8 students on band instruments. Mrs. Pratt's guidance with regards to our music programming has been invaluable. We are very grateful to Mrs. Young and

Flu Season

With the flu season upon us, students and staff are reminded daily of the importance of proper hand washing and coughing/sneezing etiquette. In addition, parents/guardians are asked to please inform the school of any symptoms relating to your child(ren)'s illness when reporting an absence (i.e. fever, cough, sore throat, headache, fatigue, aches, pains and/or chills). This information will help in tracking trends in absenteeism rates and will further assist us in reporting accurate information to the local health unit if required. Children should remain at home when they are ill. We appreciate your continued support.

Student Health

Get your flu shot, not the flu. The seasonal flu shot prevents the spread of influenza between children and their family, friends and community, reducing sick days from school and work. It is proven to be safe and effective.

This year, the Timiskaming Health Unit will be offering extended evening hours as well as community clinics with evening hours in place of school flu clinics. To book flu shots for your family call your Timiskaming Health Unit office or visit www.timiskaminghu.com to view the community clinic dates.

Being active for at least 60 minutes daily can help children and teens feel happier, do better in school and improve their self-confidence. Parents and caregivers can help plan daily activity for their child or teen. Visit www.participaction.com for physical activity tips and guidelines.

Unveiling of Christmas

Friday, November 16th is Englehart's Unveiling of Christmas. A parade of lights will be held that evening and local artisans/crafts people and businesses will be on hand with many items for sale - *a great time to start your Christmas shopping.* This year, in conjunction with our Catholic School Council, we will be putting a float in the Unveiling of Christmas parade. **All** students are welcome to ride/walk behind the float, however we ask that all students be accompanied by a parent/guardian for the duration of the parade. Please note that younger students will get priority to ride on the float. Our float will be leaving Holy Family School at 6:30 p.m.



Patience is the companion of wisdom.

Saint Augustine