

Holy Family School Newsletter

Happy New Year!!

January 2017

MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

<u>January 8</u>	Sunday Mass 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
<u>January 11</u>	Mass 9:30 am at Holy Trinity Church
<u>January 12</u>	Virtue Assembly 2:20 pm at School
<u>January 15</u>	Sunday Mass 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
<u>January 22</u>	Sunday Mass 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
<u>January 29</u>	Sunday Mass 9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

SKATING

Our Skating Program begins Tuesday, January 10th and will run until the March Break. 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.

Tuesdays

10:25 – 11:45 am	Grades 3-4 and 5-6
12:45 – 2:00 pm	JK-SK and Grade 1-2
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Grade 7-8

School Colours Day
(blue & yellow) January 20th

From the Principal's Desk

Happy New Year! This month and next month we will celebrate the virtues of respect and responsibility. The Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. Therefore, every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rights and duties are responsibilities—to respect one another, our families and the larger society. People of respect:

- *see God's presence in themselves and others*
- *treat others as they would like to be treated*
- *welcome others with smiles and friendly greetings*
- *always display good manners*
- *say 'excuse me', 'please' and 'thank you'*
- *avoid the temptation to swear or gesture inappropriately*
- *look for ways to encourage and praise others*
- *talk kindly about others and avoid gossip*

God has called us to model the respect shown by Christ. As brothers and sisters who share one Spirit, we are all valuable to God and deserve to be shown courtesy, consideration, sensitivity and thoughtfulness—all ways of showing respect. We shall remind students that through prayer, we improve our ability to be Christ-filled people—respecting ourselves, others and our environment in which we live.

We will also be celebrating responsibility. We will work with students to develop models that enable them to make good and conscientious decisions based on scriptural values. We will emphasize the importance of making decisions that do not harm themselves, others or the environment. We will also remind the students of the importance of being able to say "sorry" when they make mistakes and to act correctly, as Jesus would have, in these situations.

May you have a wonderful 2017!

Cheryl Ricca

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.*

FUNDRAISING

Thank you to everyone for your support of our recent Money Tree fundraiser. We were able to raise \$402 which will be used for various student activities. The lucky winner of the Money Tree was Mr. Len Brassard. Congratulations!

Junior Kindergarten



Registration

January 30th

Holy Family School is holding Junior Kindergarten Registration for children, born in 2013, who will be starting school in September 2017. Please stop by to pick up your registration package, and tour the school.

AUTHOR VISIT

Mr. Paul Toffanello will be visiting Holy Family School on the afternoon of Monday, January 23rd to speak to the Grade 4-6 students and introduce one of his newest books, "Popchuck's Revenge". We look forward to his visit!

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Holy Family Catholic School Council will be Wednesday, February 22nd at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. You are welcome to attend.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Please note that some dates could be subject to change . . .

- Feb 1 Ash Wednesday Mass 9:30 am at Church
- Feb 3 PA Day (no school for students)
- Feb 10 Virtue Assembly 1:30 pm at School
- Feb 15 Canada Clothing Day (Flag Day)
Report Cards go home
- Feb 20 Family Day (no school)
- Feb 22 Catholic School Council Meeting 6:00 pm at School
- Feb 27 PA Day (no school for students)
- Mar 1 Ash Wednesday Mass 9:30 am at Church
Reconciliation 10:25 am at School
- Mar 3 Virtue Assembly 9:30 am at School
- Mar 3 to 5 Englehart Winter Carnival
- Mar 7 Last Skating Day
- Mar 8 Lenten Mass 9:30 am at Church
- Mar 10 Wacky Hair Day
- Mar 12 Daylight Savings Time (turn clocks ahead 1 hour)
- March 12 to 18 MARCH BREAK (no school)
- Mar 20 First day of Spring
- Apr 7 Virtue Assembly 10:20 am at School
- Apr 10 PA Day (no school)
- Apr 13 Stations of the Cross at School
Roseneath Theatre Performance at School
- Apr 14 Good Friday (no school)
- Apr 17 Easter Monday (no school)
- Apr 21 Farm Day
- May 1 to 5 CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK
- May 2 Spring Concert 1:00 pm at School
Fancy Day
- May 3 CEW Mass 9:30 am at Church
- May 4 Living Rosary 1:00 pm at School
- May 5 CEW Virtue Assembly 11:00 am at School
- May 14 Mother's Day
- May 23 Victoria Day (no school)
- June 2 Catholic Virtue Assembly 2:20 pm at School
- June 5 PA Day (no school for students)
- June 7 End of Year Mass 9:30 am at Church
- June 18 Father's Day
- June 21 First day of Summer
- June 22 Grade 8 Graduation 7:00 pm at Church
- June 26 Awards Assembly 10:30 am at School
Report Cards go home
- June 28 Grade 8 Clap-Out
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

RESPECT & RESPONSIBILITY I create a wonderful life by making positive choices. I am mindful of the consequences of my behavior.

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