HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Important Information & Upcoming Events

March 2016

MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

March 1 Virtue Assembly

2:20 pm at school

March 2 Reconciliation

10:30 am at school

March 6 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

March 9 Lenten Mass

9:30 am at Holy Trinity Church

March 13 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

March 20 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

March 24 Stations of the Cross

2:20 pm at school

March 27 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

March 14th to 18th March Break

SKATING

The final day for our Skating Program will be Tuesday, March 8th. Thank you to everyone who helped to tie skates for us!

SPAGHETTI SUPPER-SILENT AUCTION

Mr. Bosak's Grade 7-8 students will be hosting the Spaghetti Supper/Silent Auction at the Englehart Winter Carnival on Thursday, March 3rd, from 4:30-7:00 p.m., at the Englehart Arena Complex. Tickets are \$10 each. Proceeds raised from this event will go towards the Grade 7-8 year-end class trip. Please join us for an evening of great food and great fun!

FOOD DRIVE

We will hold a Lenten Food Drive on Friday, March 11th. Students and staff are encouraged to bring in a non-perishable food item, which will be donated to our local Food Bank.

From the Principal's Desk

It is hard to believe how quickly the month of February has passed. The staff and students have been busy with a variety of activities from weekly skating trips, bubble gum days, public speaking, a cake decorating contest and the usual ongoing extracurricular activities like basketball and curling, the games room, and the Glee Club.

With all of the hustle and bustle of our school community, it is important to remember to take a few moments during this Lenten season to reflect. As Benedict XVI noted, "Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, and what path we must take in life" (Benedict XVI). For this reason, let us pray together so that we may continue to seek peace in our lives: God of Love, through this Lenten Journey, purify our desires to serve you. Free us from any temptations to judge others, to place ourselves above others. Please let us surrender even our impatience with others, that with your love and grace, we might be less and less absorbed with ourselves and more and more full of desire to follow you, in laying down our life according to your example. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

God bless you and your families on your Lenten journey together.

Cheryl Ricco



Daylight Savings Time Begins March 13th (turn clocks ahead)

Pizza Day Monday, March 1st

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

Holy Trinity Parish will be holding a training session for altar servers, and they hope to initiate a children's program during Mass on Sunday mornings. More information will be forthcoming soon.

Sub Day Tuesday, March 22nd

Green Day March 11th St. Patrick's Day March 17th

Lent is the time in our lives where we are most especially called to reflect on our own lives and ask ourselves, how



much do we thirst for an intimate relationship with our loving Jesus who is just waiting for us to respond to His love? It is the time that we must deeply ponder, how much do we thirst for a life that is life-giving to

others? May the Lord not only increase our hunger and thirst for Him and His righteousness this Lent, but may we also, by His grace, experience how He satisfies all our thirst and desires with good things.

FREE THROW

Congratulations to all of our students who competed at the recent Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competitions. Cole & Chloe both placed 1st in their divisions; Kevin, Owen C and Alexis placed 2nd; and Page O and Hannah placed 3rd in their divisions. At the second level of competition, Cole once again placed 1st and Chloe place 2nd. Cole then went on to compete in Timmins, where he place 3rd. Great job everyone!!



Don't forget to check out the Holy Family School Facebook Page at

https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Family-School-451 699435017743/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The HFS boys' and girls' basketball teams will be participating in a basketball tournament at St. Michel School in New Liskeard on March 2nd and at the annual St. Pat's Basketball Tournament in Haileybury on March 9th. A bus will be leaving Holy Family at 8:00 a.m. on March 2nd and at 8:45 a.m. on March 9th, so students please ensure you are at the school and ready to board at these times. Best of luck to our teams!



Full Day Kindergarten Registration for September 2016 continues

FUNDRAISING

Our Annual Magazine Sales Campaign will run from March 1st until March 31st. Please ensure all orders and payment are returned to the school office no later than March 31st. Funds raised will go towards various student activities. This is one of our major fundraising endeavors which benefit all students, so all students are encouraged to participate.

Scholastic Book Orders due March 11th

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in our annual Public Speaking Competition. At the School Level's Primary Division Carley B placed 1st, Clara C 2nd, and Karly C 3rd. In the Junior Division Paige O placed 1st, Colton 2nd, and Jackson 3rd. In the Intermediate Division Ayumi placed 1st, Justis 2nd, and Alizabeth 3rd. These students qualified to compete at the Legion Branch Competition, where Carley B placed 1st, Karly C 2nd, Clara 3rd, Colton 1st, Ayumi 1st and Justis 2nd. The first place finishers now qualify to go on to complete at the Zone competition. We are very proud of our students' accomplishments!

Good Friday is March 25th & Easter Monday is March 28th

BUBBLE GUM DAY IS MARCH 11TH



HOPE Hope is the raw material from which faith builds the house.

(Rex Rouis)