# Holy Family School Newsletter

Important Information & Upcoming Events

October 2009

#### Masses & Celebrations

October 4 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

October 7 Thanksgiving Mass

9:30 am at Holy Trinity Church

October 11 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

October 18 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

October 25 Sunday Mass

9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

## Milk Program

The Holy Family School Milk Program has begun once again. We will continue with the pre-order system each month. Orders for October have already been submitted, and the order forms for November will be sent home soon.



#### Norcard Fundraiser

As one of our fundraising endeavours, Holy Family School will once again be selling the Norcard cards and calendars. Sales will begin on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> and run until Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. *All orders and payment must be returned to the school office by Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>*. We anticipate receipt of our orders by mid-November. Thank you for your support! Funds raised will go towards various student activities.

#### Dress-Down Days

Fridays are "dress-down days" for the staff of Holy Family School. In order to dress down, staff members are asked to contribute a Toonie or a non-perishable food item. These items will be donated to our local Food Bank.

## From the Principal's Desk

At Holy Family, we are dedicated to helping students grow, both spiritually and academically. In this regard, we have continued our collaboration with other schools in the Southern end of the School Board in various academic initiatives. For example, we will continue with our monthly "Catholic Virtue" focus during religious instruction, as well as undertake joint professional learning opportunities throughout the school year. Our Virtue for the month of October is "Gratitude". Due to our small class sizes, our 2008-09 EQAO results have not been made public. However, I would be more than happy to share our overall results with you if you are interested. As always, if you have any other questions about our school, or if you would like to discuss your child's progress, please contact me or your child's teacher at any time. 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 Mr. Pat Roberts at the Parish, 544-8023. Please know that you are always welcome at the Lord's table!!

Matt Turner

## **Breakfast Program**

A big thank you once again to Miss Becky Martin for organizing our Breakfast Program. We are still in need of adult volunteers to assist however. Tasks involved would include preparation of the food, serving the students, and clean-up afterwards. The Breakfast Program runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8:30 until 8:50 a.m. If you are interested in helping, please contact the school (544-2397). We would like to be able to continue this very worthwhile program for our students.

Red & White Day October 2nd

## Terry Fox Walk

Holy Family School, along with Englehart Public and Englehart High School, will be participating in a Terry Fox Walk on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. The walk will begin at Holy Family school at approximately 9:00 a.m. You are welcome to join us for this very worthwhile cause.

## Hot Dog Days

Hot dogs will be sold every Wednesday (unless otherwise notified, and excluding inclement weather days). Please ensure all orders are placed



with classroom teachers prior to 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday mornings. Hot dogs are \$1 each. Funds raised will go towards the Grade 7/8 yearend class trip.

## Catholic School Council

The first meeting of the Holy Family Catholic School Council for this school year will be Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. Parents/Guardians are always welcome to attend our meetings.

Hunter Orange & Camo Day October 9th

## **Cross Country Meet**

Our Cross Country runners will be participating in a meet in Cobalt on Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>.

Permission forms and information will be sent home soon. Thank you to Miss Muender for working with our runners.

Good luck to all of the participants!

## Mozambique Presentation

On behalf of the Northeastern Catholic District School Board, Ms. Keseru, along with three other Board employees, traveled to Mozambique, Africa this past spring to participate in a mission service. Ms. Keseru will be speaking about her travel experiences on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the gym. You are welcome to join us.

## Student Agendas

If you have not already done so, please remember to send \$5 to the school for the costs of your child's agenda.

#### Student Information

If at any time throughout the school year there is a change to student information (i.e. address or phone, medical information, custodial status, etc.), please inform the school immediately. It is extremely important that we are kept apprised of this type of information.

If you have not already done so, please return the Student Information Update Forms that were mailed to you. Even if there are no changes to the information, it is important that the forms are returned to the school.

Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> is Hallowe'en

Students may bring their costumes to school on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, but for the afternoon only. A

costume parade will be held at 12:45 p.m. in the gymnasium. Please ensure that costumes are in good taste and in keeping with our school dress code. A contest will be held for the "Best Saint" and "Best

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Angel" costumes. You are welcome to join us.

Black & Orange Day October 30th

# Snack Cart & Pizza Day

Mrs. Landry's Grade 4/5 students are offering a Snack Cart during the lunch hour on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. A variety of healthy snacks are available (prices vary from \$0.50 - \$1.00). In addition, they also offer pizza every Friday (\$2.00 per slice). Orders must be placed with classroom teachers by Thursday. Funds raised will go towards the Grade 4/5 year-end class trip.

Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.

Mother Teresa