

"YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"

O'GORMAN INTERMEDIATE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

December 2011

It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas

Welcome to the Holiday Season. We hope that you and your children have enjoyed these first few months of the school year. The December calendar is attached to this letter. I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some of the festive and fun activities we have planned for the Christmas Season. We hope to see you in and around our school this month!

- Many of our classes will be writing Santa Claus Letters with St. Joseph's, Sacred Heart and St. Paul throughout the month
- There will be a Christmas concert on Wednesday, December 21st from 6:30 to 7:30 pm for parents.
- As Christmas quickly approaches we are encouraging everyone to remember the children and families who are less fortunate. We will be asking for contributions to help children in our community who will not be getting much over the holidays. This is done through Child and Family Services and our local Sears Store. Please help us help the less fortunate at this time of the year.

More information about some of these events will be shared at a later date. Have a great holiday season and remember to keep Jesus in your hearts during this time of the year.

Thank You & Merry Christmas!

Need Help in Math ?

The Northeastern Catholic DSB in partnership with the Ministry of Education and the Independent Learning Centre is pleased to bring the Homework Help program to students. This program offers free math help for students in Grades 7, 8, 9 and 10. Students will have access to both guided and independent learning in a unique environment that combines technology and personal interaction.

All students have been given the website, a username and a password to access this resource.



Fundraising

Once again we have done extremely well in our last fundraiser. Many students have enough money in their fundraising accounts to cover the cost of the grade 7 ski program which will take place in the new year. Grade 8 students are also accumulating money for Toronto Trip in June 2012.

We have 2 fundraising events left for the year. We will be selling pepperettes again in April and we will be hosting a spaghetti supper and family fun night on Wednesday, May 9th, 2012.

We encourage everyone to get involved in these events to lessen the burden or cost of the Toronto Trip. More information about these events will be shared in the months to come.

Christmas School Lunch

One of our annual traditions at OICS is to celebrate Christmas together by sharing a meal at the Lord's Kitchen. We will be walking up on Monday, December 12 for lunch at 12:00. The meal includes pasta, salad, drink and dessert and will cost each student \$5.00. In the spirit of giving to the less fortunate, proceeds from this luncheon will be donated to the Lord's Kitchen.

This lunch will be followed by a school Advent Mass at St. Anthony's Parish at 1:00 p.m.



Girls Basketball Teams had a Great Season!

Virtue of the Month Charity

As part of our Catholic faith we are called to help others at all times but especially during time of need. We are trying to live out our faith during the month of December by supporting The Lord's Kitchen and children from Child and family services. Thank you for all your support.



School Calendar

We now have a school year calendar posted online and accessible at anytime. All O'Gorman Intermediate events and activities will be posting on this website for everyone's convenience. Whether its graduation, school mass, or a basketball tournament, all information can be found at the following link.:

<https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=tcd.weltz%40ncdsb.on.ca&ctz=America/Toronto>

Just copy and paste this link and you'll have access to all events. Creating a link on your desktop is a great idea as well. Hope this helps.

Reminders

- Christmas Lunch on December 12 at 12:00
- Mass on December 12 at 1:00 p.m.
- Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 21st at 6:30 p.m.
- School Starts again on January 9th, 2012
- Girls Basketball Tournament on December 9th