

O'Gorman Intermediate Catholic School



NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2015

PROGRESS REPORTS

You will be receiving your child's progress report on Wednesday, November 11th. These reports reflect the progress your child has made during the first nine weeks of school. This is an important piece of information as it informs you of how your child is progressing both academically and with his/her learning skills.

PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS

We will be hosting our parent-teacher conferences on Tuesday, November 17th from 4-7 p.m. We cannot express enough the importance of taking this opportunity to discuss your child's progress with the teachers.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

We will be honouring Remembrance Day by holding a prayer service on November 11 shortly after 10 a.m.

You are welcome to attend.

BULLYING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION WEEK

November 15-21 is Bullying Awareness and Prevention week. OICS students will be encouraged to learn more about bullying and its effect on student learning and well-being. In preparation for this week, Constable Ainsworth will be providing a presentation on Friday, November 6th to the grade 7's and grade 8's on cyber-bullying. This session should provide students with the information they need to know to use their technological devices in a safe and acceptable manner.

SCIENCE OLYMPICS

Several teams of students will be participating in the Science Olympics on Friday, November 6th. We wish them the best of luck as they represent OICS!

CELL PHONES

We are having some issues with students using cell phones in school and on school grounds. Students have been reminded that they are not allowed to be used while in school or on school property. We would like to remind parents not to call or text your child during school hours. Should we see students using their cell phone on school grounds, it will be confiscated and returned only to parents if it is a continued problem.

HALLOWEEN CANDY

Please know that students are not allowed to eat Halloween treats or candies during school hours. One small treat in their lunch is acceptable but anything more than that will be taken by the teachers. Candy and sugary treats do not promote good thinking and learning. We appreciate your support in this matter.



CELEBRATING THE VIRTUE OF LOVE

During November and December we will be learning about the importance of the virtue of LOVE. Students will learn that love is about serving others, lending a helping hand, sacramental engagement, helping others in need, praying for our loved ones and for those we don't always get along with, encouraging someone, complimenting each other, listening to other people's ideas, and treating people the way we would like to be treated.

SPIRIT POINT COMPETITION

KNIGHTS ALWAYS ROCK LIP SYNC BATTLE

In an effort to earn Spirit points, each class will be asked to participate in a 'lip sync' competition. On November 18th students will compete among themselves within the

class to determine the person or group who will represent the class in the school wide battle on the 20th of November! Participants will be judged on: costumes, performance, song choice (from the '80s and '90's) with bonus points being given

to those bands who use a song that has the word "LOVE" in the title in honour of our virtue of the month! A reminder, all songs, costumes and performances must be school appropriate. Come on, OICS, let's show everyone how **we ROCK!**

WHAT'S GOING ON THIS MONTH

GRADE 8 VISIT TO OHS	Nov 4
P.A. DAY - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS	Nov 9
PROGRESS REPORTS GO HOME	Nov 11
GRADE 7 AND 8 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT	Nov 12
PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS 4-7 P.M.	Nov 17
LIP SYNC BATTLE	Nov 20