

O’Gorman Intermediate Catholic School



November 2010

Getting involved is the Key to Success! O’Gorman Intermediate has a lot to offer outside of the classroom. Encourage your children to get involved in some of the vast array of extra curricular activities that include guitar club, boys and girls basketball, shop club, games room, robotics club & intramural activities at lunch. Keeping them active is one of the keys to success.

Grade 7 Ski Programs

The grade 7 students will once again this year be participating in the alpine ski program. This 4 day program begins in January but all forms are due as soon as possible. Please ensure that you complete these forms that your child has received accurately as it may have an impact on their safety. Many of the details were shared at the parent night last week but if you have any questions please feel free to contact the school at any time.

Cell Phones and MP3 Players

We are having some issues with students using cell phones and MP3 players during school hours. As noted in the school code of conduct, inappropriate uses of electronic equipment is prohibited on school property. Students have been reminded of this rule and have been told that items will be confiscated and returned only to parents if the problem continues.

School Council

There is a school council meeting on Monday, November 1st at 6:30 p.m.. All parents are welcome to attend these meetings throughout the year.

Please send us your e-mail if you haven’t already and help us save the environment.

Grade 8 Toronto Trip

The grade 8 students are going to Toronto again this year in June. The first set of forms have been handed out and are due back to the school with a \$100 deposit by November 19th. The material in these forms was discussed at last weeks parent meeting but if you need clarification on anything please contact the school at your earliest convenience.

Fundraising

Our 2nd fundraising has just come to an end and we have been promised by Lamontagne that all orders will be received before the Christmas holidays. We will notify all parents once the orders have arrived. Starting November 8 we will be selling Timmins Daily Press Calendars. Please note that a letter will be going home asking you how many calendars you would like to sell with your child(ren). We are selling the calendars for \$10 with a profit of \$3 going to the student. If you have any questions about fundraising or about your child’s account please feel free to give us a call at anytime.

If you child is going to be absent from school, please contact the school as soon as possibly and leave a message if no one answers. This will help us ensure your child’s safety.

The virtue of the Month for November is Prudence

The cardinal virtue of Prudence (good sense) has been called “the watchful eye of love”. Prudence has three steps: seeking the proper, most loving thing to do; judging what is the best choice; and confidently acting. A prudent person asks, “what is the right, most loving thing to do?” She considers others’ advice, and looks to the Gospel and Church teachings to guide her conscience. She prays and thinks things through, then acts in truth and love. In this way, practicing prudence unites us more closely with God and neighbour. Prudence is visible in our Catholic schools when we reflect as Jesus’ disciples and act in His love. **How much better to get wisdom than gold, to choose understanding rather than silver! (Proverbs 16:16)**