



# Cougar News

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL - NEWSLETTER

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

It is a brand new year filled with hope and promise and we at St. Joseph School could not be happier to welcome a new staff member this January. Mr. Tom Hudon is our new Core French and Art teacher.



## SAFE SCHOOLS

In light of the security situation that we experienced on December 17th, we will be reviewing our Safe Schools practices. We will be working with the students to prepare them for emergency situations. We will practice the different types of situations and be prepared for any unexpected event.

## JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

On **Monday, January 17th** we will be accepting registrations for children born in 2007 from 9 am to 4 pm. When you register, you will need to bring your child's Birth/Baptismal Certificate, Immunization Record and Health Card. If you are unable to come in on January 17th, please contact the school and we would be happy to arrange a more convenient time.



## VIRTUE OF THE MONTH: COURAGE

*"To have courage for whatever comes in life - everything lies in that" St. Theresa of Avila*

Doing the right thing takes courage and that is what we hope to instill in our students. Our prayer service this month will feature scripture readings on the subject of courage.

## A WORD FROM OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our School Council met early in December to discuss a variety of items. One of the main goals for the council this year will be to engage our parents in the life of the school. We will be sending home a survey that will ask you to offer your opinion on how to create a visible parent presence in the school.



## DARE GRADUATION

We are very proud of our Grade 6 students for completing their **Drug Awareness and Resistance Education** program. There will be a graduation ceremony on **January 28th at 10:00am at O'Gorman High School**. Students will be bussed to this event.

## GRADE 3 SWIM PROGRAM

Students in Grades 3 will take part in this year's Swim Program. Their lessons take place from **1:05 to 1:40pm** beginning on **Thursday, January 27th** and will continue on February 1, 3, 8, 10, and 15th. They will require a bathing suit, towel and other necessities (hairbrush, socks, etc..). This will need to be packed in a plastic bag so that other items in their backpacks will not get wet when they pack up their bathing suits and towel.



## SNACK PROGRAM

We are excited to report that the funding for the Northern Fruit and Vegetable Program has been provided this January. This program will be up and running very soon.

**Professional Development Day: January 27th**