



# HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents & Guardians:

December 14, 2010

The Christmas holidays are almost upon us. The last day for classes will be Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup> and school will resume on Wednesday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011. I encourage you and your family to commemorate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and keep this the focus of your family's Christmas celebrations. **In this regard, I wish you and your family Christ's peace and joy throughout this Advent season.**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the very generous donations we received for the Rotary Christmas Baskets this year. Our school goal was to collect a total of 750 items and we were able to collect over 800!! Special thanks to the Englehart & District Health Team for their donations which helped us to meet our goal. Great job everyone! It is important that children view the Christmas season as an opportunity to give rather than to receive, so what better way than to give to those in need.

Holy Family School's annual Christmas Concert will be held on Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium. I would like to cordially invite everyone to attend this special event. I ask that students please be at the school by 6:45 p.m. and report directly to their classrooms. Following their performances the JK- grade 3 children will sit in the audience with their parents. We look forward to seeing you all at the Concert.

Dress rehearsal for the Christmas Concert will be held the morning of December 16<sup>th</sup>. Therefore the Grade 7/8 students will not be going to Kirkland Lake that day for their Industrial Arts/Family Studies program.

The Holy Family Catholic School Council is selling tickets on a \$200 money tree. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Proceeds raised will go toward student activities. Tickets are available from Council Members or at the school office, and will also be available on the night of the Christmas Concert. The draw will be held at the Christmas Concert. Good luck to everyone, and thank you for your support!

Please note that the time for the Englehart High School Band performance on Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup> has been changed from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. You are welcome to join us for this performance and to sing some Christmas carols.

Don't forget that our Skating Program will start January 11<sup>th</sup> and continue until the March Break.

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Students will skate every Tuesday. It is mandatory that students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 3 wear a helmet, and mittens/gloves must be worn by all students at all times. If your son/daughter does not have a pair of skates, we do have some extras here at the school that students are welcome to borrow on skating days. Also, the teachers always welcome extra hands to help tie skates, so if you are available please let your child's teacher know.

Thanks to our local CWL, Holy Family School has started a Rosary Club for students and staff. The Club meets every Monday throughout Advent at 12:15 p.m.

Yours in Christ,

Matt Turner

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