

# LITTLE SCHOOL WITH THE BRIGHT FUTURE

## O'GORMAN INTERMEDIATE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

October 2012

### Great Beginning at O.I.C.S.

What a wonderful first month at the O'Gorman Intermediate! I extend my sincere thanks to all of you who made the beginning of the school year so enjoyable! I would like to take a moment to highlight some of our September success:

- Our cross country runners did extremely well at the Hersey Lake and Opishing cross county meets. Congratulations to all runners, keep up the good work!
- Congratulations to everyone at OICS for donating to the Terry Fox Run. All together we raised close to \$350 for the Canadian Cancer Society. Well Done everyone!
- Thanks to everyone who joined us at the family barbeque at school on September 28th. The students had lots of fun participating throughout the day and it was a great opportunity for parents and teachers to meet. Thanks to all the volunteers for making the day a huge success!



### Fundraising

Our first fundraising event was outstanding and many students raised a lot of money for their Ski Days or Toronto Trip. A bank balance for each student will be provided on a regular bases so they will know how much money they have in their accounts.

Our next fundraising event is scheduled for early November. It is undetermined at this time what we will be selling, but parent council will help make that decision ASAP. We encourage everyone to sell as much as possible to reduce the financial burdens of the Grade 8 trip.

Thanks for your cooperation and understanding around these activities and good luck with your next sales.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL 2011-2012

We just had our 1st meeting this week and we are off to a great start, but if you are interested in joining school council its never too late!

### Extra Curricular Activities

We have many extra curricular activities organized at lunch and after school for our students. Please encourage your child to participate in any and all areas of interest. Activities range from guitar club, sport teams, games room, student council, bocce league and shop clubs. Once again being

active in your school promotes pride and positive social interaction with peer groups. These are great opportunities that all students should take advantage of for their benefit. More activities and groups to come.



Great Job Team !

### Confirmation

All Parishes will be sending out the Sacrament of Confirmation information to their families. If you do not receive this information please contact your parish at your earliest convenience. All registrations forms should be sent to the Church or school as soon as possible.

### E-Mail

Starting in October we will be sending most school correspondence by e-mail so that we can be environmental friendly and cut down on printing. This will also ensure that school letters and information are delivered in a timely manner. **If you haven't already forwarded your e-mail information to the school please do so as soon as possible.** On behalf of the environment we thank-you for your cooperation and understanding.

### Reminders

- School Mass at St. Anthony's Parish on October 16th, Everyone welcome
- Photo Retakes for those who missed are coming soon
- Next School Council Meeting is on November 26th at 6:30 p.m.

### Virtue of the Month is Gratitude

"Thanks" is a simple word, but is a precious fountain of faith in God, and it fills our hearts with a readiness to cherish everything we have. Although the world is currently experiencing economic challenges, and we may have difficulty saying thank you for some of our hardships, sometimes this can release us from that sense of entitlement that can prevent us from really seeing God's grace in our daily lives. The choice to be grateful is not always without effort. **This month at O'Gorman Intermediate we will express our gratefulness through the collection of non-perishable food items.** "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad" Psalm 118:24