Sacred Heart Catholic School Newsletter

Important Information and Upcoming Events

April 2010

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

MAY 2, - MAY 7, 2010

Rejoice in the Lord always ... and the God of peace will be with you. (Phil 4:4,9)

In a world that often fixates on the negative, divisive and cynical, the goodness and giftedness that comes from our school and other Catholic schools can be overlooked. This year's Catholic Education Week celebrates our schools with this theme: Catholic Education: Rejoicing in Hope. The scriptural text comes from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians where he writes, "Rejoice in the Lord always ... and the God of peace will be with you." (Phil 4:4,9) We have accomplished many wonderful things this year; let's take some time during Catholic Education Week to celebrate them!

There are five sub-themes, one for each day of Catholic Education Week:

Monday: Hope in Our Hearts Tuesday: Hope in Our Homes Wednesday: Hope in Our Schools Hope in Our Communities Thursday:

Friday: Hope in Our World

Every year, the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association provides our Catholic schools with a resource kit to help schools prepare for Catholic Education Week. Using these resources as well as our own school developed activities we have prepared a series of activities to highlight why our school should "Rejoice in Hope.' The details will be forthcoming. We hope to see many of you during our festivities and invite you to pray along with us this Catholic Education Week: Loving God,

We praise you and we bless you.

Give us wisdom and courage to be messengers of hope in our world.

Let us be marked with integrity and unity in our vocations, to be living signs of your joyful hope.

Help us dispel clouds of despair and doubt.

When we flag, bring us back to the Gospel.

Help us to reach beyond our comfortable boundaries to those who need your love and justice.

May our schools teach peace to the world through their words and witness.

May we speak for our beautiful yet wounded planet to take bold steps towards our healing.

Reminders to Parents / Guardians:

We are requesting your cooperation in ensuring that students do not arrive on school property until 8:30 a.m. as there is no supervision until that time. This is an important safety concern.

Parents who are driving their children to school are requested to drop off and pick up their children on **Duncan Avenue** by the opening in the fence which is close to the portables. There are staff on supervision from 8:30 to 8:45, 11:50 until 12:30 and immediately after school to monitor the pick-ups and drop-offs on Duncan Avenue. No children should be dropped off or picked up on Churchill Avenue or at the main entrance of the school due to the location of the bus drop off, staff parking and visitors arriving at the school.

The **main entrance** is for staff and visitors only. Students are not allowed to enter or exit from the main entrance unless they are late for school or if they are being picked up for an appointment during the school day. This rule also applies at lunch time. This is also for safety reasons as our goal is to provide a safe learning environment for everybody.

Parents, guardians and visitors are to report to the office upon entering the school and speak to the office staff before proceeding throughout the school.

Electronic Equipment

The students use and/or display of handheld electronic equipment such as but not limited to cell phones, cameras, MP3 players, IPods, CD players, Personal Video Game devices are prohibited on school property, at school-related events, or in any other circumstances that may have a negative impact on a member of the school community and on the school climate. If electronic devices are visible, they will be confiscated! More details to follow.

Please sign Page 3 of the Report Card and return it to school.



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School Yard Improvement Raffle

1st Prize of \$ 300 - Patricia Dupuis
2nd Prize of \$ 200 - Jim McKnight
3rd Prize of \$100 - Karen Lafreniere
Thank you to everybody who supported the School Yard
Improvement Committee by selling and/or purchasing
tickets. However, we had a deficit of \$19 in this fund raising effort.

Wear Pink Day : Wednesday, April 14th



Make a statement against bullying by wearing pink. Stand up and say, "**NO**!" to bullying by wearing something pink. Wearing **PINK** is making a statement about what you stand for, what you will stand against, and what you believe in - **NO MORE BULLYING**!

Hero Run 2010

12:30 p.m. Friday, May 7th at KLDCS - 5 km Run Dedicated to the memory of Andy and Katie Beaudoin (Minor Hockey) and the Kirkland Lake Splash Park Registration and \$5 Fee due April 15th Pledges may be collected until May 7th.

Kirkland Lake Pro-Life Mother's Day Tea, Silent Auction and Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, April 24th in the Sacred Heart Catholic School gymnasium from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Admission \$2.50 for adults, children under 10 are free. Free gift for every Mom, door prize. For baking donations, please call Pierette 568-8429 or Brenda 567-6523.

Congratulations to Mr. Danis on the birth of his first grandson and second grandchild,

Pitch-In Week : April 19th - 25th

Earth Day : Thursday, April 22nd Wear blue and/or green! School Yard and Area Clean-up Litterless Lunch : Reduce garbage and waste! According to statistics, every schoolchild creates an average of 30kg of garbage per year. That's a lot of garbage every day that can easily be avoided.

Telephone Directory Recovery Program until April 30th!

Send all used telephone books to the school and keep them out of the dump sites.

Students versus Staff Basketball Game:

Friday, April 23rd 2:15 p.m. in the gymnasium

Grade 8 Fund Raising

Bake Sale : Wednesday. April 21st beginning at 12:30 p.m. in the front foyer. .

Bubble Gum Day : Friday, April 23rd licenses \$1 and gum \$1.25 a pack or individually for 25 cents or 10 cents.

Healthy Snack Cart : Students may purchase snacks which cost \$0.50 to \$2 daily during lunch in the gymnasium.

Yard Sale: Saturday, May 8th from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. In the school gymnasium.

Euphoria Coupons and **FundScrip Cards** available to purchase at the school.

Donations of baking, bubble gum, healthy snack items and yard sale items will be gratefully accepted.

Thank you for supporting the Grade 8 Trip to Toronto Fund Raisers!

Grade 8 Trip to Toronto Parent Meeting : 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 29th in the School Library. All Grade 8 Parents are asked to attend.

Grade 8 Graduation: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 23rd

at Holy Name of Jesus Church

