

ECCS Newsletter: October 2017

Masses & Celebrations

Masses at Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish are Sundays at 9:00 am and 11:00 am. ALL are welcome to attend

Milk Program

The ECCS Milk Program has begun once again. We will continue with the pre-order system every 2 months. Orders for October/November have already been submitted. All money raised will go towards grade 4 classroom activities. In the event that there is a surplus in these funds, money will be put towards general student activities such as buses for sports teams.

October 9th is Thanksgiving Day



Progress Reports

Progress Reports will be sent home on Wednesday, November 9th. Student-Led Conferences will be held **Thursday November 23rd from 4:00-7:00 p.m**. In the meantime, please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns.

Cross Country

Our team will go to the Nordic Ski Club in Cobalt on Thursday, October 12th to compete in the TDSS Invitational Cross Country Meet. Please return permission forms when they come home. Good luck team!



From the Principal's Desk

Thanksgiving as well as our first school Mass is in just a few short days. We often can forget how much we can be thankful for in our lives... Our quote for this month is "And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (Colossians 3:17). "Thanks" is a simple word that we often say automatically. However, true Gratitude must go beyond saying "Thank You" when someone does something nice for us. We must always teach children to be thankful for the good things they have in their lives, as well as be thankful for God's ultimate gift to us, His Son Jesus Christ.

We have many interesting events happening at the school throughout October, so please refer to the calendar for more details.

An important reminder about our Facebook group "English Catholic Central School". Please follow us!

As always, please contact your child's teacher(s) if you have any questions or concerns about their progress.

If you are a Catholic who has been away from your faith for a time and are interested in returning to the church, please consider attending Mass this weekend. Mass time at Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish is Sunday at 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Also, if you are not a Catholic, but would like information on becoming one, please contact the school or Parish at 647-5035. Please know that you are always welcome at the Lord's Table!!

Matt Turner



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Catholic School Council

The first meeting of the ECCS Catholic School Council will be held Monday, October 2nd at 6:00 pm. The main goal of this year's Council will be to increase parental involvement and participation in school based activities and improvement planning, as well as to raise funds to improve the school experience for ECCS students. We will post our meeting agenda and minutes on the school website, as well as on the Catholic School Council bulletin board in the front lobby of the school. Parents/Guardians are always welcome to attend our meetings.

Student Information

If at any time throughout the school year there is a change to student information (i.e. address or phone, medical information, custodial status, etc.), please inform the school immediately. It is extremely important that we are kept apprised of this type of information. If you have not already done so, please return the Student Information Update Forms that were forwarded to you. Even if there are no changes to the information, it is important that the forms are returned to the school.

Dress-Down Days

Fridays are dress-down days for the staff of ECCS. In order to dress down, staff members are asked to contribute to our Christmas Wish Campaign.

Picture Day

Picture Day is Wednesday, October 11th for all students. All students will be photographed. If you have any questions, please contact the school.

Snack Program

We continue to offer a universal snack program at the school. Thank you to our volunteers Mrs. Donck and Mrs. Turner for running this important program. There is no formal Breakfast program at the school. If a student forgets to eat breakfast, they are welcome to access the classroom snack bin upon arrival to class.

Lunchtime Fundraising

Hot Dog Days will again be offered every Tuesday. The first day will be October 4th.

All proceeds from hot dog days go towards the Grade 7-8 year-end class trip. In the event that there is a surplus in these funds, money will be put towards student activities and resources.

Pizza Days will be held every Friday. Pizza slices are \$2.00 each. All funds raised will be used towards various student activities and resources.

Tuesday, October 31st is Halloween! PLEASE note that Wednesday November 1st is a PA Day and therefore there is no school for students that day

Students may bring their costumes to school on Tuesday, October 31st. They can wear them in the

afternoon. Please ensure that costumes are in good taste and are in keeping with our school dress code. The school will not be responsible for damaged or lost costumes. Also,



students and staff are encouraged to wear black and orange.

Black & Orange Day October 31"



October 2017



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Friday		6 Day 4	13 Day 3	20 Day 3	27 Day 3	Jersey Day!
Thursday		5 Day 3 Thanksgiving Mass 1:00pm. All Welcome!	12 Day 2 Cross Country	19 Day 2 Scholastic Orders Due	26 Day 2	
Wednesday		4 Day 2	Grade Jk-8	18 Day 1	25 Day 1	Nov 1 PA Day No School
Tuesday		3 Day 1	10 Day 5	17 Day 5	24 Day 5	31 Day4
Monday		2 Day 5 Catholic School Council Meeting 6:00pm.	9 No School	16 Day 4	23 Day 4	30 Day 4
Sunday		26 th Sun. in Ordinary Time	27 th Sun. in Ordinary Time	15 28 th Sun. in Ordinary Time	22 29 th Sun. in Ordinary Time	30 th Sun. in Ordinary Time

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PARISH COMING EVENTS - October 2017

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: To reach out to our sick and elderly parishioners Our Mother of Perpetual Help holds a monthly celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick for those in need of God's healing grace. According to the teaching of the Church, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick should be celebrated with people who are: 1) seriously ill, 2) are seriously weakened by advanced age, 3) are scheduled for serious surgery, or 4) are elderly but not weakened by age, but have no serious illness present. Our next communal celebration will be on **Tuesday, October 10**th at **7:00 P.M.**.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP BAPTISMAL PREPARATION COURSE: Parents who wish to have their child (from new-born to grade eight) baptised Catholic must attend a pre-baptismal preparation course. The course will take place on **Thursday, October 12th at 7:00 P.M.** in the parish hall. Please call the office to register.

HONOURING OUR BLESSED VIRGIN MARY on Friday, October 13th at 7:00 P.M.. The evening will begin with Mass and then the Rosary Group will lead the Sorrowful Mysteries following Mass. Following the Rosary all are invited to the hall after for refreshments and a Marian display.

SUNDAY MASS IN LATCHFORD: Fr. Wayne Mills from Our Mother of Perpetual Help will be celebrating Sunday Mass at the Community Centre in Latchford on **Sunday, October 15th at 3:00 P.M..** Everyone is welcome to attend this Mass.

OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP PRESENTS THE BIBLE AND THE SACRAMENTS: Join us for an inspiring bible study beginning on **Monday, October 16**th **at 6:00 P.M.** in the parish hall. The program runs for six Mondays and will begin with a light supper followed by a video presentation and then discussion. All are welcome.

TIME FOR YOU AND ME: A new group to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish is beginning this Fall. It is open to everyone wanting to make a difference helping others in our Church, our community and our world! Join us for tea, coffee and dessert from 1:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 18th. Be sure to bring a friend and your ideas!

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will be hosting its monthly Holy Hour for vocations to the priesthood and religious life on **Wednesday, October 18th at 7:00 P.M.** in the Church. This is one small way that we can help encourage and foster vocations within the Church. All are welcome! For further information call the office at 705-647-5035.

EUCHRE & DESSERT PARTY: Our Mother of Perpetual Help will be hosting a euchre and dessert party on **Saturday, October 21st at 7:30 P.M.** There is no admission charge but participants are asked to bring a plate of your favourite dessert to share. Everyone is invited to join us for an evening of cards and fun! For more information please contact the office at 705-647-5035.

DAY OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish will be hosting a day of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday, October 27**th **from 12:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.** in the Church. All are welcome to come and spend some quiet time with the Lord in prayer. For further info, contact the office at 705-647-5035.

OMPH IS ON FACEBOOK: Check our new facebook page at facebook.com/OMPH.NL and stay up to date on the latest happenings in the http://www.facebook.com/OMPH.NLParish.

WEEKLY OMPH E-BULLETIN: If you would like to receive the weekly e-bulletin from Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish, please email omphoffice@gmail.com. Stay in touch with all the latest news and events on a weekly basis.

PARISH WEBSITE: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Parish has updated its parish website. It contains information about the Parish, the weekly bulletin and a host of other useful information and links. Check out the website at www.ourmotherofperpetualhelp.ca.

Before & After School Program



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Ashlyn Little RECE

Activities

In September the number of children attending have increased at both the before and after school programs! The children have really enjoyed science experiments where they tend to have their own ideas of what they would like to experiment with each week.



In the photo it shows the children enjoying mixing water, oil, and food coloring while learning how different ingredients react with one another.

When the children ran out of supplies they got creative in how to reuse and conserve until the following week when new supplies would be purchased.

We enjoyed a fun game of "would you rather" as we all got to know each other better.

We started with three different options and it grew as the children chose their own options for everyone to decide. During this activity they practiced their printing, spelling, and chart making skills as they wrote out their options on paper. They of course only saw it as a fun game!



We recently received some new toys and supplies and the children are enjoying a new cleaning kit, the new play food and play dishes. We have more items on the way!

We have agreed that it would be fun to play group games in the gym/outside so we have made a list of games we want to play together and take turns playing everyone's choice.

PD DAY

If you need care on Wednesday November 1, 2017 for the PD DAY, please contact Ashlyn Little, RECE, at 705-676-7609, or stop by the Home Economics room between 7:30-8:35 AM or 3:00-6:00 PM. I would like to know by Friday October 13, 2017 if there are 10 children needing care, so we can plan accordingly to run a full day program at ECCS!! Thanks for planning in advance!!



Photo above: The children were proud to show off their slime creations they made.

REMINDER of our Fresh
From The Farm
Fundraiser!
Orders due to the
school on Friday
October 6th.

Thank You For Your Support!