

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Important Information & Upcoming Events

February 2014

MASSSES & CELEBRATIONS

- February 2 Sunday Mass
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
- February 4 Virtue Assembly
9:15 am at School
- February 9 Sunday Mass
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
- February 12 Mass
9:30 am at Holy Trinity Church
- February 16 Sunday Mass
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church
- February 23 Sunday Mass
9:00 am at Holy Trinity Church

Junior Kindergarten Registration

Holy Family School is continuing to hold Junior Kindergarten Registration for children, born in 2010, who will be starting school in September 2014. Please stop by the school to pick up your registration package and tour our facilities.



SKATING

Our Skating Program continues. It is mandatory that students in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 4 wear a helmet, and mittens/gloves must be worn by *all* students at *all* times. As well, no child or adult will be permitted on the ice surface at any time without skates. Given that some children currently do not have skates or helmets, we do have a few extras that students are welcome to *borrow* on skating days. Please note that if students are bringing their skates on the school bus, all ice skates must have the blades suitably protected with guards and must be stored in a case or school bag. The bag is to be placed on the floor at the student's feet while on the bus.

Family Day Holiday
February 17th

From the Principal's Desk

Our Catholic Virtue for February is **Temperance**. By demonstrating temperance, students are encouraged to not over, or under react to events and interactions with others that occur in their lives. Also, students will be taught the value of reflective listening habits as a way to truly understand the opinions and values of others. It is hoped that this will help them to make sound, prudent choices and actions throughout their lives.

Term 1 report cards will go home on February 19th. Even though formal parent-teacher interviews have passed, I encourage you to stay in touch with your child's teacher to discuss progress and next steps heading into term 2. Many of our teachers have websites at www.teacherweb.com, which are an excellent way for you to stay informed about the happenings in class as well! I also encourage you to take a look at our school's webpage located on the Board website (www.ncdsb.on.ca). We put all home correspondence as well as interesting news items on there. If you have not already, you may join our email contact list where I will send home all school correspondence to your email. Just let me know your email address, as well as changes to your existing address. I would appreciate hearing any feedback you may have that could improve our communication with you, our school community.

Next year's JK students are children born in 2010, and our registration is ongoing. If you know of any friends or families that are undecided about which school to send their child to next year, please invite them to contact me. I would love to show them what a wonderful school Holy Family is!!

As always, I wish you Christ's peace in your life. On this note, 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 Holy Trinity Parish is Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Also, if you are not a Catholic, but would like information on becoming one, please contact the Parish at 544-8023.

Matt Turner



Red-Pink-White Day February 14th

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Holy Family School will be holding it's annual Public Speaking competition in the school library on Wednesday, February 12th beginning at 1:00 p.m. You are welcome to come and listen to the students speak. The top three finishers in each of the categories will go on to compete at the Branch Level of competition at the Englehart Legion on Sunday, February 16th beginning at 1:00 p.m. The first place finishers in each of the categories at the Branch Level will compete at the Zone competition in New Liskeard on Sunday, March 2nd. *Best of luck to all of the speakers!*

Report Cards go Home February 19th

FOOD BANK

Holy Family School accepts donations, at any time, for the local Food Bank. A bin is located at the school office where donations can be deposited.



We thank you for your support.

NATIONAL FLAG DAY

February 15th is National Flag of Canada Day and a time to celebrate the shared values and traditions that are



fundamental to our identity as Canadians. This symbol of freedom, democracy and human rights reminds us of how truly fortunate we are as Canadians to live in this vast and beautiful country.

Sub Day

is Wednesday, February 12th

\$4.50 per 6 inch Sub

Orders are due by Friday, February 7^h

Proceeds raised will go towards the JK-SK year-end activities.

Pizza Day

is Wednesday, February 26th

\$2.50 per slice

Orders are due by Friday, February 21st

Proceeds raised will go towards the JK-SK year-end activities.

BABYSITTER'S COURSE

The Englehart Recreation Department is holding a Babysitter's Course on Saturday, February 8th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Englehart Arena. For more information and to register, please contact Sara at the Recreation Department, 705-544-1952.



Book Orders Due February 6th

2014 Winter Olympics

*Opening Ceremony February 7th
Go Canada Go!*

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Holy Family Catholic School Council will meet on Wednesday, February 5th at 6:00 p.m. in the school library. Parents and staff are always welcome to attend.

TEMPERANCE

"Better a patient man than a warrior, a man who controls his temper than one who takes a city."

(Proverb 16:32)