

# LITTLE SCHOOL WITH THE BRIGHT FUTURE

## O'GORMAN INTERMEDIATE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

January 2011



**Happy New Year  
Knights!  
May all your hopes  
and dreams come**

We hope that you enjoyed a restful and happy holiday season. The staff of O'Gorman Intermediate Catholic School look forward to sharing another year with you and your child(ren).

The January calendar is attached with this newsletter and we hope that we will see you in and around our school throughout in the new year. God Bless!

### **Calendar Fundraising**

All money and unsold calendars must be return by tomorrow, January 6th, 2011. Once all items are returned students will get an updated copy of their fundraising accounts.

### **Grade 8 Toronto Trip**

As mentioned above, the students will be getting an updated copy of their fundraising accounts in the next couple of days. At this point we encourage all families who have a child going on the trip to start with monthly deposits so that they are not overwhelmed with the entire cost at the end of April. If you have questions about the trip please do not hesitate to contact the school at your earliest convenience.

### **Grade 7 Ski Days**

As you are aware the grade 7 students are beginning their 4 day ski program on Thursday, January 13th. The deadline for forms and money is January 7, 2011. We strongly encourage all the students to participate in this event. It is an excellent opportunity to learn a skill and sport that they might carry with them for the rest of their lives at a relatively low cost. Hopefully everyone can attend so that they don't miss out on a great time.

### **Cell phones and MP3 Players**

We are having some issues with students using cell phones and MP3 players during school hours. As noted in the school code of conduct, all electronic devices are prohibited on school premises at any time. Students have been reminded of this rule and items will be confiscated and returned only to parents.



Members of the School Choir Practicing  
Before their Big Performance

### **Virtue of the Month**

While January sees the beginning of the New Year, many of us also regard it as the true beginning of the long, hard winter. In this sense it is apt that the virtue for January is COURAGE. The quote for this month is Isaiah 41:10, "*Do not be afraid; I am with You*" "*Be not afraid!*" is also what the angel tells Mary at the annunciation. (Lk 1:30) and at the resurrection, another angel uses the same words to tell the women at the tomb that Christ has risen. (Mt 28:5) Jesus himself uses these words to strengthen his apostles. (Jn 6:20) It takes a lot of courage to practice and be true to our Catholic faith.

### **Reminders**

- Ski Forms and money are due by Friday January 7
- Gr. 7 Skiing on January 13th, 20th, 27th and February 3rd
- January 28th - End of Term 1
- PD Day on January 31
- Report Cards go home on February 16th

**Best Wishes in 2011 and God Bless!**