



## ST. CARTHAGH CATHOLIC SCHOOL DECEMBER UPDATE

**Monthly Update Subscribers**-We were recently notified that the account we use to send Monthly Updates to subscribers has been changed to [flhpcart@alcdsb.on.ca](mailto:flhpcart@alcdsb.on.ca). If any subscribers are having issues or not receiving the Monthly Updates please visit on our webpage [www.alcdsb.on.ca/school/cart](http://www.alcdsb.on.ca/school/cart), click on "Sign Up for Our Monthly Updates".

**Safe Schools**-As per our Board's Safe School Policy we continue to ask parents to always sign in at the office when visiting. Students will be called to the office if being picked up throughout the day. If parents would like to speak with teachers we kindly ask that you call ahead and make an appointment. In the interest of student safety you may notice some new barriers in the entryways that indicate "staff and students only beyond this point".

**Donations needed for Christmas Shopping**-Gently used household items, toys, Christmas wrapping paper, gift bags, scotch tape and gift tags wanted! These items will be used at the St. Carthagh Christmas shopping event on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Students are invited to purchase gifts for their family members, wrap them and take them home with pride! All items are \$1(to ensure that all students have the opportunity to make purchases, we limit the number of gifts to four per student). Donations accepted until December 13<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers needed on December 14<sup>th</sup> to assist 'shoppers' and for wrapping, etc.

**Stirling Festival Theatre**-We are happy to say that all students will attend Stirling Theatre on December 18<sup>th</sup> to see **The Princess & The Pea**. Please ensure that consent forms are returned as soon as possible. Payment can be made on School Cash Online.

**Student Confessions**-Father Aidan will hear confessions for students in Grades 3-8 on December 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Skating**-Gr. 1/2-8 students will go skating on December 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:00-12:00 (2 groups). Helmets are mandatory to be on the ice. Students will walk to the Tweed Arena. In the spirit of Christmas, the Municipality of Tweed-Parks & Rec Department generously donated the ice time-thank you!!

**Christmas Sharing**-St. Carthagh Catholic School staff & students plan to provide Christmas Sharing baskets for those in need. More information will come home soon. Please support this worthwhile cause.

**Christmas Concert**-We invite everyone to join us as we celebrate this Holy Season on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

**Christmas Dinner**-On December 17<sup>th</sup> students will be treated to a wonderful Christmas dinner. Our thanks to Parent Council for providing this opportunity. The school will provide juice for each student. Students are asked to bring a plate, fork and knife in a Ziploc bag.

**Piano Recital**-Students of Mrs. Donna Broek will be performing an annual Christmas Piano Recital on December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

**Tweed Santa Claus Parade**-Come to the Parade on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> to see our school float. The float will leave from the school parking lot and we ask that all students participating, with a signed consent form, should be at the school by 11:45 at the latest. Student pick up will be at the school as soon as the parade is finished. Please dress for the weather.

**Terrific Kids**-Our assembly was held on November 29<sup>th</sup> and our virtue was, A Discerning Believer. The following students were recognized: Charlee Clement, Trey Paranuik, Owen Hansch-Watman, Brooke Rose, Emily Donoghue, Chase Kolyanko and Amy Brown. Congratulations!

## December 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Tweed Santa Claus Parade
2 Advent Begins	3 Advent Celebration	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Advent Celebration	11	12 Christmas Concert 6:30	13 Christmas Cookie Baking	14 Student Confessions Gr. 3-8  Christmas Shopping  Christmas Cookie Decorating	15
16	17 Advent Celebration  Christmas Dinner  Piano Recital Mrs. Broek 7:00 p.m.	18 Stirling Theatre, The Princess and The Pea	19 Christmas Sharing Baskets Due	20 School Mass 9:30  Terrific Kids Assembly 1:30 p.m.	21 Skating Tweed Arena Gr. 1/2-3/4 10:00 Gr. 4/5-7/8 11:00	22 Christmas Holidays Begin
23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29
30	31 New Year's Eve					

### FUN FRENCH FACTS

**DID YOU KNOW?** Bilingual people have sharper cognitive skills and keep their brain alert and active even when only one language is used.

*Encourage your child to be a lifelong learner of French!*