

# Holy Rosary Catholic School

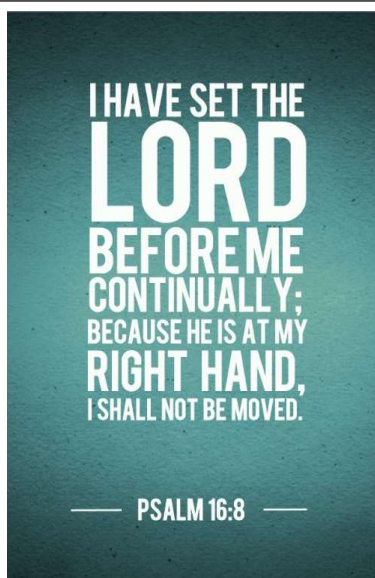
**FEBRUARY  
2018**



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**Superintendent:** Mrs. Karen Shannon  
**Trustees:** Mr. Tom Dall, Mr. Sean Kelly

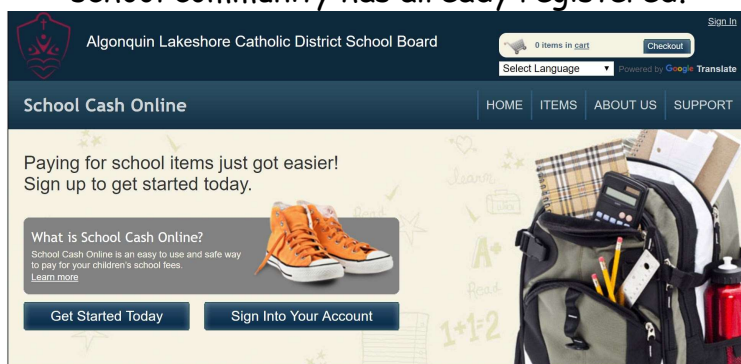
**Secretary:** Mrs. Kathleen MacInnis  
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## HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS ONLINE FOR ALL PURCHASES!

Simply visit <https://alcdsb.schoolcashionline.com/> and register to pay all school fees online. No more hunting for change for milk or pizza or trying to find a cheque to write for a school trip. It's really easy to do. *Get started today!* More than 40% of our school community has already registered.



Kindergarten in the ALCDSB focuses on faith formation, academic success, and programs for children, all within a play-based learning environment. Teachers and Early Childhood Educators work together to develop your child's natural curiosity and excitement for learning. Our schools ensure a caring and safe environment for your children, all while staying committed to the use of advanced technology in the classroom. Please call Mrs. MacInnis or Mrs. Ackerman to ask about registering your child for kindergarten. Our staff would be happy to answer any questions you might have about enrollment and our school. **We will be hosting a registration day on February 27<sup>th</sup>, followed by a kindergarten orientation on the evening of May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Call 613.962.2305 to book your appointment for February 27<sup>th</sup>.**



# HOLY ROSARY'S 3rd ANNUAL DANCE-A-THON!!!



All money raised at our dance-a-thon will go directly to supporting our students in their extracurricular activities. Just this year, we have been able to bring in Cinderella's Frog Prince and the Queen's Robotics team. Soon, Tyrannosaurus Pets will be visiting, and we have other great plans in store for students to expose them to unique STEM and arts opportunities.

**The Dance-a-thon will take place on February 9<sup>th</sup>!**

There are prizes for top fundraisers in each division, the top class, and a grand prize of a "Family Night Out" (dinner and a movie). Every \$5.00 donated earns a ballot toward great prizes. If you have items you would like to donate for prizes, please drop them off at the office. If you are able to volunteer on the day of the dance-a-thon (any amount of time), leave a message with Mrs. Ackerman at the office. Please return all pledge sheets to the school (even if unused) by February 9<sup>th</sup>.

SAVE THE DATE



Holy Rosary Catholic School  
Graduation  
Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017

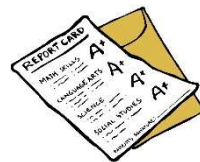
GRADUATION PHOTOS



Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> in the morning  
Sibling photos also taken this day

Report cards and IEPs will be arriving home on February 20<sup>th</sup>. Interviews have been scheduled for Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

*So much exciting news to share...we have moved to an online booking system for parent-teacher interviews. Parents are now able to book interviews at times that are convenient to them, on a "first come-first served" basis with this new system. Passwords were sent home on February 1<sup>st</sup>. Call the school for support if needed.*



**SUPPORT CATHOLIC EDUCATION - Catholic parents, guardians, electors and supporters** are encouraged to continue to ensure that they are registered as English-Separate Supporters. The support of residential ratepayers is directly linked to attendance rights and indicates a firm commitment to the system essential to maintaining the existence of Catholic schools in Ontario. If you are not listed as a Separate School Supporter and wish to remedy this please visit our web site

[www.alcgsb.on.ca](http://www.alcgsb.on.ca) and choose the link named "Direction of Tax Support" for information. Thank you!

## BUS SAFETY AND INCLEMENT WEATHER

To maintain a high standard of safety for our students while travelling on the school bus, Triboard Transportation will cancel busses for one of the following reasons:



1. Forecasted weather
2. Weather happening now
3. Legacy road conditions

To find out if your child's bus is running, follow @triboardbus or @BusDelayNCancel on Twitter, or listen to one of our local radio stations for regular updates. Please remember that if a student who is usually bussed is brought to school by a parent in the morning, the bus will not run in the afternoon, and the student must be picked up by 3:30 pm.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

**Contact Information:** Please ensure your contact information and emergency contact numbers are up-to-date. In order for the 'Safe Arrival Program' to function effectively, we must be able to reach a parent/guardian if you have not called the absence in. It is also imperative that we are able to reach parents should there be an emergency.

**Late Arrivals:** Please be reminded that school begins each day at 9:15. We recognize that late arrivals cannot always be avoided if a student has an appointment or if there is a transportation problem, but arriving late should not be a regular occurrence. First and foremost, students arriving late are missing important instructional time in their classrooms but it also affects the other students whose learning is interrupted with each late arrival. We thank you for your efforts in ensuring your child arrives by 9:15.

## CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS WITH VULNERABLE SECTOR

Believe it or not, school trips are already happening and we are always in need of volunteers to accompany us. In order for adults (including grandparents) to volunteer on school trips or within the school, we must have an original Criminal Background Check with Vulnerable Sector on file at the school. The school will provide you with a letter to obtain this check. There is a fee associated with getting a check from the Belleville Police Services or Picton OPP.

In 2018, St. Valentine's Day falls on the first day of the penitential season of Lent, which is Ash Wednesday. We will be having our Lenten liturgy in the gym at 10:30 a.m. All parents/guardians are welcome to join us.



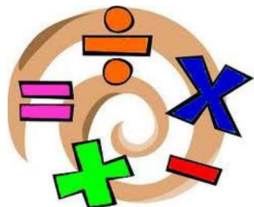
Due to the concurrence of these events and the celebratory nature of Valentine's Day, classes will be having their Valentine's celebrations on Tuesday, February 13th, along with our Shrove Tuesday pancakes (prepared by Mrs. Darling's and Miss McMahon's students). Teachers will let their students know what celebrations will take place in their own individual classes (e.g. the exchange of cards, healthy and nut-free snacks, activities, etc.).

Share  
Lent 2018

**TOGETHER  
FOR PEACE**



## Math Homework Help



Students from grades 7 to 10 can get free online math tutoring through the Ontario Ministry of Education's Homework Help website at <https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org/>. Tutors will be available Sundays through Thursdays from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. Your child will need his/her OEN (Ontario Education Number), which can be found at the top of the report card, in order to register at this site.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL MONTHLY UPDATE

*Need something to occupy your students during March Break? How about a brand new book to stir their imagination? Join us for a fundraising night at Chapters Quinte Mall on:*

***March 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.***

*Purchases (excluding electronics and gift cards) made in store lead to a 15% return to support activities and events for students in our school. This is a great way to promote literacy while also finding a moment of quiet time for yourselves during the March Break.*

***And in other news: Join us for our Family Movie Night on May 25<sup>th</sup>!***

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm in the Learning Commons. Everyone is welcomed and invited! Child-care can be available with advance notice. Please come out and see what School Council is all about! It's amazing what a small group of dedicated individuals can accomplish.



### Need your High School Diploma? Looking to get into College?

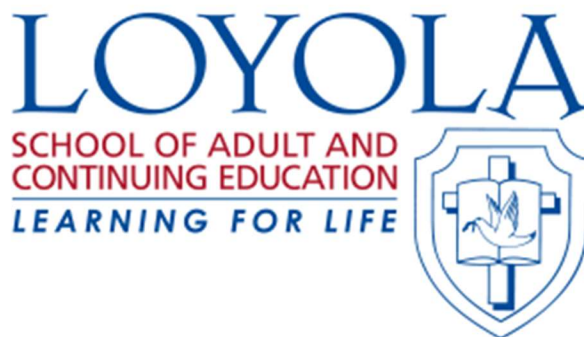
Loyola School of Adult and Continuing Education offers many options to support you in achieving your goals. If you are ready to take the next step in achieving your future, visit our website for more information: [www.learningatloyola.ca](http://www.learningatloyola.ca)

### Learning French is fun!

"My favourite part of this semester's French class was getting to look back to the start of the semester and seeing not only how much I've learned, but also how everyone has improved by doing dialogues and actually speaking French. I saw many of my friends become more confident in their French-speaking abilities."

*-Maddie, ALCDSB Grade 9 Student*

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



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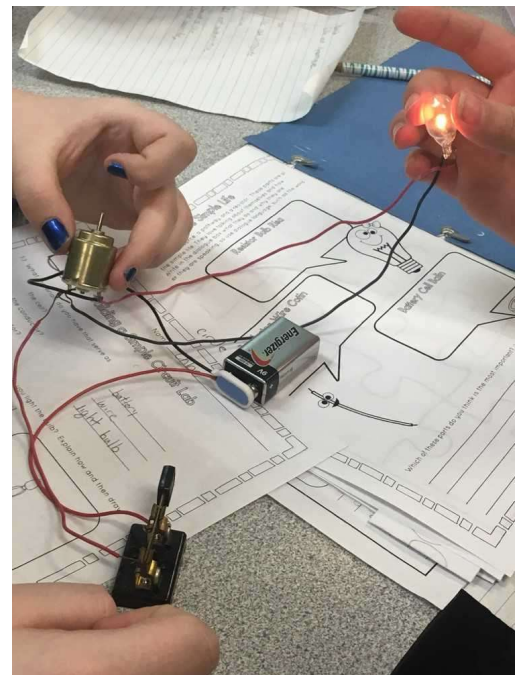
The St. John Ambulance Therapy Dogs came to visit us again!  
(That's one big dog!)



Cooking Club in the Learning Commons!  
Pasta Primavera  
Homemade Veggie Dip  
Fresh Veggie Tray



February's Kiwanis  
Terrific Kids



Mrs. Miller's students learned about switches, motors, power sources, and circuits in electricity!

Skills Ontario Cardboard Boat Races demanded teamwork, collaboration & planning



## February 2018

<i>SUNDAY</i>	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATURDAY</i>
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> PA DAY	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Terrific Kids @ 9:30 ***** Cooking Club	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Valentine's Dance-a- thon</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> St. John Ambulance Therapy Dogs return	<b>13 Pancakes for everyone!</b> ***** Speech competition in the gym @ 1:10	<b>14</b> Ash Wednesday liturgy @ 10:30 in gym	<b>15</b> Tyrannosaurus Pets (please - no bus cancellations today!)	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Family Day</b> <b>*no school</b>	<b>20</b> Report Cards and IEPs home	<b>21</b> Interviews after school (book online)	<b>22</b> Lenten liturgy @ 9:30 in gym  Ski trip to Brimacombe	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Kinder registration day</b> ***** School Council Mtg @ 6:15	<b>28</b> <b>PINK SHIRT DAY</b>	<b>We are always in need of nut-free donations for our Breakfast and Backpack programs. We invite donations of:</b> pasta, canned sauce, cereal, soup, cereal bars, pancake mix, syrup, fresh carrots/potatoes, canned veggies/fruit, applesauce, oranges. Monetary donations are gratefully accepted.		

**Add to your fridge calendar:**

March 1, 8, 22: Lenten liturgies at 9:30

March 1: JR Basketball at NCC

March 5: SR Basketball at St. Theresa and NCC

March 6: GRAD photos/sibling photos

March 6: Terrific Kids

March 6: Chapters Fundraiser kicks off at 6 pm

March 12 – 16: March Break

March 22: Mrs. Melbourne's and Mrs. Terpstra's classes attend Kingston Symphony Orchestra

March 29: Grades 7/8 attend Stations of the Cross at St. Michael Church

March 30: Good Friday

April 1: Easter Sunday

April 2: Easter Monday – no school