



# Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, May 29, 2018

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### Dear OLM Parents,

Mr. Lalonde's class is holding a fundraiser to raise money to help pay for our class trip. **We are selling popsicles at lunch recess for \$0.50 each.** The sale will be happening for three days only. **Popsicles will be sold on Monday, Thursday and Friday of next week.** Thank you for your support.

Mr. Lalonde's Class

### Mr. Lalonde's Grade 4/5 Class Presents

### Trojan War



**Thursday May 31<sup>st</sup> @ 1:00 p.m.**

**All welcome!**



### **SOCIAL JUSTICE WITHOUT BORDERS**

welcomes a Syrian refugee family, the Jarads, to Bancroft at the end of June. Our Lady of Mercy Students and Staff want to show their support by running a fundraiser to help purchase supplies that are still needed. **We are collecting Canadian Tire money until June 1<sup>st</sup>** to help support the Jarad family. We also will welcome donations of money. Please help us give the Jarad family a warm, Bancroft welcome!



### Turtle Bomb!

Students in the Knitting Club at Our Lady of Mercy School contributed to the collection of turtles displayed around Bancroft to raise public awareness that this is the time of year to watch out for turtles crossing roads and laying eggs. We need to take care, to preserve our area wildlife and keep Bancroft beautiful!



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### School Mass



**Friday June 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**  
*(Please come and join us!)*

### PIZZA DAY



We are offering pizza to our students for lunch on **THURSDAY, JUNE 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018**, for \$2.00 per slice. Please have all orders and the allocated monies in by Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. Online orders are available. Thank you.

### EQUITY AND INCLUSION – ACCESS TO INTERNET FOR OUR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES



**Please complete this survey by TOMORROW, May 30<sup>th</sup>** so we can collate responses and write the grant proposal that could provide funding for the evening that we are planning for this Fall.

Please follow this link to access the survey: <http://bit.ly/OLMparentfeedback>. The link is also live on Twitter. Please know that all responses are anonymous.



**Gum & Hat Spirit Day**  
**June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018**  
**\$2.00**

**Proceeds to Algonquin & Lakeshore Education  
Foundation**

### Class Trips



- JUNE 5<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Meszaros' 3/4 class to Lang Pioneer Village in Keene;
- JUNE 5<sup>th</sup> Mr. Cousins' Grade 6/7 class to Camp Quin-Mo-Lac in Tweed;
- JUNE 12<sup>th</sup> Mr. Fitzgerald's Grade 7/8 class to Canadian War Museum & Laser Quest in Ottawa;
- JUNE 13<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Cannon's Grade 1 class and Mrs. Rumleski's Grade 2/3 to Farm Town Park in Stirling;
- JUNE 14<sup>th</sup> Mr. Lalonde's Grade 4/5 class to The Canadian Museum of Nature in Ottawa;
- JUNE 19<sup>th</sup> Ms. Cole's & Mrs. McCormack's Kindergarten classes to the Indian River Reptile Zoo, Norwood;

### School Council Meeting



**Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**(6:30 p.m.)**

(All are welcome to attend.)

### SENIOR KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION



**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**(11:00 a.m.)**



**The Grade 8 camping trip to Algonquin Park** was amazing. Monday morning we set up our tents, had a lunch of grilled cheese sandwiches, prepared by the first cooking team. Our teacher explained how to canoe, and we set off on our first ride down the lake into the Madawaska River to the Dam. We switched positions so everyone would get a chance to steer, took a short break at Pog Lake, then turned around and headed back to camp. We put away our canoes, played volleyball until we were tired out, and walked back to camp. We enjoyed a delicious hamburger dinner prepared by the next cooking team, and when the dishes were washed and hung to dry we walked to the big field to attempt some challenges and games. Mrs. Flagler Edwards and Mr. Fitzgerald took some pictures and offered encouragement. We did manage the four layer human pyramid, after a couple of tries. We tried the human worm, which was quite difficult, played a well-fought game of capture the flag, and then played manhunt. Judy and her brother Jan had hot chocolate and s'mores ready for us at the campfire when we walked back to camp. Mr. Fitz told us we set the record for the slowest group to start canoeing out of all his Grade 8 camping trips.

Next morning, after a breakfast of pancakes and sausage, we cleaned up our dishes and were out on the water by 9:30. We went the same route as before, but also went across Pog Lake, across the river, across the Lake of Two Rivers, and up to the rapids by 12:30. We ate our packed sandwiches, explored the area for a bit, and headed back. We stopped all canoes and lined them up for a race. Jill, Mateo and Jack's canoe won the race in just under 3 minutes. Once all the canoes were put away, we split up and did different activities for a while. We attempted a spider web challenge at the camp, then went out to the big field for a new challenge with partners trying to undo a rope puzzle. Jill and Trevor were the first to complete the challenge. We had chili and garlic bread for dinner that night.

On the last morning, our third team made bacon and French toast for breakfast. Once all the dishes were cleaned, everyone took down their tents and packed up. We were allowed to pick our teams for the last canoe trip. We went across Whitefish Lake and south to the island midway down the lake. When we arrived, Mr. Fitz prepared a fire and cooked sausages for lunch. Then it was time to paddle back to our camp site, and load up the bus for Bancroft.

Overall, everyone had an amazing time. Mr. Fitz, his brothers Eddie and Paddy, Judy and her brother Jan were amazing chaperones, and the trip was made even better with Judy and Jan's cooking!

Mackenzie H.



**Grade 8 Campers 2018**



On Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, the Grade 1 Class was invited to perform their Choral Speaking piece “Hey Bug” at the Festival of Stars. In recognition of their efforts, the class was awarded \$50. Congratulations!



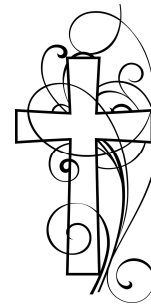
**Parish News:**

Father Casmir, is looking for young people who would be interested in providing music for a Youth Mass.

Are you a singer or a guitar player who would be willing to help out?

Please contact the Parish at 613-332-2954

**PARISH NEWS**



***First Reconciliation:***

Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>  
after 9:00 Mass

***First Eucharist:***

Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>  
after 9:00 Mass

**EAT YOUR COLOURS**

Food for Learning encourages everyone to eat their colours! Be sure to eat fresh vegetables and fruit all summer long just like you did at school with Food for Learning.

*How many colours can you eat?*

Have a safe & colourful summer!

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