

# Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, October 3, 2017

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On Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the **Cross Country** team from **Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School** travelled to Haliburton to compete against many other schools. Our students performed very well, displayed good sportsmanship and had a very enjoyable day. Many thanks to the parents and grandparents who came out to cheer us on.

> Tony Fitzgerald Cross Country Coach



Merit Awards for September 2017

## **EQAO RESULTS**

The results of Primary and Junior EQAO Assessments, that were held in May of 2017, will be coming home today with our Grade 4 and 7 students who wrote the assessments.



Catholic Education Foundation "Helping To Alleviate Poverty"

The Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic Education Foundation (ALCEF) is a registered charity that raises funds and provides financial support to assist families within our schools during times of crisis or poverty.

This assistance may include the provision of eye glasses, medical supplies, accommodations, food, clothing, or transportation.

For more information, please visit: http://www.alcdsb.on.ca/Board/Pages/Foundation.aspx

Reminder: October 13th

1<sup>st</sup> HPV and Hep B & Meningococcial Vaccinations <u>Permission forms are due October 6<sup>th</sup></u>





**PEDICULOSIS (HEAD LICE) CONTROL:** Spring and fall are the seasons when **HEAD LICE** commonly infest school children. Head lice feed on blood and cement their eggs, commonly called nits, to strands of hair at the scalp. The nits take approximately 7-10 days to hatch. The bite of a louse causes itching which can be aggravated and infected by scratching. <u>Please check your child's head on a regular basis</u>. If you find evidence of head lice or nits, information about how to remove them is available from your **family doctor, health unit** and **most pharmacies**. Our trained volunteers will be conducting pediculosis checks periodically throughout the school year.

### **FAIR NOTICE:**

ALCDSB and our community partners are committed to providing safe and caring school communities and learning environments for all. We believe that each person should be able to study, work or attend our Catholic schools in that environment that is safe and free from acts of violence. We recognize that violence prevention in our schools and neighbourhood is a community responsibility and we will work with our community partners to use the risk/threat assessment process when there are behaviours that have been identified as posing a potential risk to an individual or to others. Please see our website for a copy of the letter written by our Superintendent of School Effectiveness, Theresa Kennedy, that outlines the provision of Fair Notice to parents/guardians of the use of the risk threat assessment process to investigate threatening or high risk behaviours.



Please return your Go Green form by October 10<sup>th</sup> (not Oct 9<sup>th</sup> - as noted on the form) if you want to continue to receive a hard copy of the newsletter or calendar.



### **NO CHILD WITHOUT**

This program provides students, from age 4 to 14, with 24 hour protection of MedicAlert emergency information services at no cost. Some conditions emergency responders need to know are: Anaphylaxis, diabetes, food allergies, asthma, needs Epipen, Autism, ADHD. Please contact the school for the brochure that will allow you to order a MedicAlert bracelet/necklace.

#### **REMINDER:**

**If you require a Police Check** to be a volunteer at our school, please come to the school office with your identification. Please know we need to see you in person to verify your identity on the form.

**French is fun!** "Something that I really enjoyed in French class was all the collaboration. J'aime travailler avec mes amis." -Avery, ALCDSB Grade 9 Student

Encourage your child to be a lifelong learner of French!