Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School

Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board

Newsletter May 2002

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Student Report Cards

Students received their mid-semester report card on Wednesday April 24th. We apologize for the delay. There was a mechanical failure in our data entry equipment.

A final exam schedule should be available in early May. Grade 12 and OAC students will begin on Wednesday June 12th and finish on Monday June 17th. Grades 9-11 students will begin their examinations on Monday June 17th and finish on Friday June 21st.

School Dance

The next school dance is **Friday May 24**th from 7:30 pm to 11:00 pm. Admission is \$7 at the door or \$6 with a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank.

PASTORAL SERVICES UPDATE

Our Pitch-In Day on April 26th saw 100 students and staff cleaning around the school and along Woodbine Road. Our next community outreach is the Hotel Dieu Food Blitz on May 15th. Last year over 150 students, staff and parents helped with this door-to-door collection of food for our local food bank. Call Mr. Forster if you can help.

The World Youth Day Cross is passing through Kingston on its way to Toronto. If you are interested in helping to carry the Cross from May 21-24, call Mr. Forster.

No May or June Non-Uniform Days

There are no non-uniform days scheduled in May or June. Parents and students may view the uniform policy In the Code of Conduct at our website. Students will have the choice of the spring or fall uniform after May 1st, but there is no combination of the two uniforms. For example, sandals may not be worn with the fall uniform and the golf shirt cannot be worn with dress pants.

'Flip-flop' sandals will not be acceptable due to safety concerns.

School Council News

Our next meeting is **Tuesday May 7th** at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. All members of our school community are welcome to attend.

Town Hall Assembly

A new Students' Council for 2002-2003 has been elected. Students include Jon Gazendam, Bethany Kelly, Jessica Greenwood, Kristen Dejneha, Kerri-Anne Watkin, Ryan Quinlan-Keech and Colleen Kelsey. We'd like to thank the current Council for a great vear and their outstanding effort.



On the Road with...

* Grade 9, 10 and 11 Drama students will be going to the Grand Theatre on **Friday May 3rd to see "Shape of a Girl", a play on bullying**. They have studied the playwright and will have an opportunity for a backstage tour. They will be absent from classes from 9:30 to 12:00.

* French Students will be heading to Montreal on **Friday May 10th** to view a performance of Cirque du Soleil. Students will depart from Holy Cross at 6:30 a.m. and return by 11:30 p.m.

Clean School Plan

Holy Cross has instituted a "Clean School" Plan, as of April15, 2002. Details of the principal's memo are available on our website. Non-uniform days have been cancelled for next year. However, students have the opportunity during May and June to earn back nonuniform days for the 2002-2003 school year. Contingent on students meeting the stringent standards of the school administration, the non-uniform days may be earned back. To date, students have made great improvements in overall school cleanliness, though cafeteria cleanliness still needs to be addressed.

Catholic Education Week

Catholic Education Week will begin on **Sunday April** 28th and will end Saturday May 4th. There will be a variety of activities held at schools throughout the week to celebrate. Please see the calendar for activities at Holy Cross.

Bridge Building Competition Results

Congratulations to Mr. Scarpazza's Technological Design classes for winning two first place awards at St. Lawrence College/Queen's University Bridge Building Competition. The all-girl group of Heather Prouse, Jennifer Ng and Jaclyn Trott placed first among 10 school entries with the highest Factor Load Bridge while the boy group of Nick VanHerpt, William Culleton, Sean Jennings, Rob Gannon and Phil Leroux constructed the strongest bridge. This marks the second year in a row that Holy Cross has won this competition.

Guys and Dolls Musical

The Drama Club presents Guys and Dolls May 8, 9, 10, and 11th at 7:30 pm. Tickets are available at the door \$7 for students and \$9 for adults.

May Calendar

Please see the reverse of this page for May's Calendar of Events.