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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The chosen theme for **Catholic Education Week 2010** is **Catholic Education: Rejoicing in Hope**. In a world that so often seems devoid of Hope that often seems to sink into a dulling despair, we are asked to **give an account of the Hope that is in us. (1 Peter 3:15)**. The disastrous earthquake in Haiti is vivid and fresh and chilling and as we ponder the death and destruction and plaintively and sometimes angrily ask 'Why?'; amazingly, we witness the tenacious resilience of the human spirit and the fresh, bold glimmerings of Hope. The Haitian people may 'hope for the sunshine tomorrow' but they are resolutely determined to brighten the darkness of today. Such is Hope.

We celebrate with **Ms. Rebecca Martin** and her family the birth of her new baby. We congratulate **Mr. John Esford** and his CommTech students who competed in the Ontario **Regional Skills Canada** competitions at **St. Lawrence College**. Congratulations to **Ashley Roddy** and **Jamie Gillespie** who continued their winning ways in the video production division. Also, two other communications technology students, **Matthew Oliveira** and **Ben Locke** accompanied teacher **Mr. John Esford** to the most recent board meeting to show their video, **"It All Adds Up"** and to pick up their first place prize in the **ALCDSB Committee for Social Justice's** yearly water campaign. Their message counseling against bottled water usage can be seen on www.hctoday.ca as well as on www.youtube.ca.

We are proud of the many initiatives of our **Green Team**, led by **Mr. Matthieu Gervais, Mrs. Marie Hulse and Mr. Christopher Forster**, joined by **Students' Council Executive** members, who led informative assemblies and held a variety of initiatives throughout **Earth Week**. Our **Badminton Team** completed another fine season. It was a sunny day and many fans from both **Holy Cross** and **RND** came out to cheer on our soccer teams for the **Father Stan Kurusumuthu Memorial**. It is hard to believe that ten years have lapsed since the Catholic school community lost **Fr. Stan** – a great teaser and a kind coach. It has been very exciting to watch the athletes prepare for the spring sports season and to take in early games. Finally, most of our staff and many of our students, those in Grade 10 as well as over thirty senior students, worked diligently through the **Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test**. It really is a whole school effort, where technology and people power combine so that students are able to demonstrate the literacy skills that they have accrued over many years and disciplines.

We thank the current year's **Students' Council Executive** with teacher-advisor **Mr. Richard Coleman**, for organizing a successful **Spirit Week**, and for all of their efforts and enthusiasm on behalf of the school and their peers and look forward to the excitement that the candidates for next year's executive brought to **Town Hall Assembly**. We are so proud of the courage and commitment of all of the candidates and look forward to seeing what **Students' Council 2010-2011** brings to our rich tradition of student leadership, mission service, and spirited committed.

We are so pleased with the results of all members of the HC bands who traveled to New York City on the second last weekend of April. Congratulations to these students and to their leaders, **Mr. David Orser, Mrs. Diane McCombs, and Ms. Ilena Culleton**. The band trip had many highlights, but for me, **Fr. Rene Labelle** concelebrating Mass at

St. Patrick's Cathedral and the students performances at the **Riverside Cathedral** will definitely stand out.

We look forward to the culmination of this year's achievements, academic and extracurricular, as staff and students focus on completing the year successfully and pause to celebrate all that has occurred.

Paul A. Walsh

THIS MONTH AT HOLY CROSS

- Week of May 2-7.....Catholic Education Week
- Monday, May 3..... Potential Graduate List published
- Students' Council Executive Elections results published
- Spring Uniform Begins
- SHSM Comm Tech Trip – Humber College / The Hour
- Mon – Fri, May 3-7Queen's Enrichment Course Week
- Tuesday, May 4.....Grade 8 Orientation Day at HC
- Wed., May 5... HC Catholic Education Week Mass in Gymnasium
- Thursday, May 6..School Board Mass in Kingston for Catholic Education Week
- Sir Isaac Newton Physics Contest
- Sunday, May 9.....Mother's Day
- Mon., May 10... "Direct This" Video Competition Awards Night @ RND
- Tuesday, May 11...Queen's Online to Success Closing Day, 9 – 3
- Wed, May 12..Holy Cross 2010 Valedictorian selection begins
- KASSAA Track and Field Meet
- Thursday, May 13.....March for Life Bus Trip to Ottawa
- KASSAA Track and Field Meet
- Fri., May 14School Dance #4
- Gr. 12 Comm Tech Trip – Ryerson Uni. / Much on Demand
- Community Service Hours Deadline for Class of 2010
- Sat, May 15...SHSM Comm Tech Certification Courses (WHMIS & Electrical Safety)
- Greg Hulse Memorial Soccer Tournament at HC
- Mon –Wed, May 17 – 19.....SHSM Comm Tech Team @
- Provincial Skills Competition – Video Production Category
- Wed, May 19.....Partners in Mission Food Blitz
- Aboriginal Celebration at Elder Nelson's
- KFL&A Immunization Clinic at Holy Cross
- Friday, May 21..... Grade 9 Student Retreat with N.E.T.
- Closing Day for Milk Bag Donations – Bridges to Community
- Monday, May 24.....Victoria Day (holiday)
- Tues, May 25...Response to Applicants by Ontario Universities
- HC Semester Two Field Trip Moratorium begins
- Wed, May 26..... Tentative Yearbook distribution date, Room 129
- Genesis Awards Evening
- Friday, May 28... Trills and Thrills Grade 9 Band, Wonderland
- Monday, May 31.....HC Catholic School Council Meeting, Library, 7 p.m.

UPDATE FROM PASTORAL SERVICES

The month of May will be a busy one. It begins with the celebration of **Catholic Education Week** from **May 2 – May 8th**. This year's theme is "Catholic Education: Rejoicing in Hope". We will be celebrating our **Catholic Education Week Mass** on **Wednesday, May 5th**. We will also be taking a busload of our students and staff to **St. Mary's Cathedral** on **Thursday, May 6th** for the Board-wide Mass with **Archbishop Brendan O'Brien**. The week concludes with an exciting day-long **Catholic Youth Rally** for teens from across our Archdiocese here at **Holy Cross** on **Saturday, May 8th**.

On **Thursday, May 13th**, we will be busing up to **Ottawa** to take part in the annual "**March for Life**" on **Parliament Hill**. And, on **Friday, May 14th**, the **2010 K2K Jamaica Mission Trip** will be giving presentations about their amazing experience all day in the Lecture Theatre. Don't forget the "**PARTNERS IN MISSION FOOD BLITZ**" which is fast approaching. This annual event in support of the local food bank will take place here at Holy Cross on **Wednesday, May 19th**. Volunteers are greatly needed to help canvass our local area; any parents, students, or staff who would like to join the Crusader team, are asked to call **Chris Forster** in the **Pastoral Office (ext. 3436)** to sign up. We are also excited to have the **National Evangelization Team** come to our school on **May 21st** to lead a retreat for Grade 9 Religion classes at **Rideau Acres**. May the joy and peace of Easter and Pentecost continue to fill all our lives.

Christopher Forster

STUDENTS' COUNCIL NEWS

April has been quite the month here at **Holy Cross**. Spring sports are well underway, keeping Crusaders very busy. **Students' Council** and the **Green Team** worked together on creating a skit and presentation to the school about conservation measures for **Earth Day**. It was very successful and students now have a better understanding of their own carbon footprint. The halls were alive with posters by the candidates for the **2010/11 Council**. **Town Hall** and the media lunch show were a very nice change this year. The New Council is composed of: **Head Girl Ciara Roberts**, **Head Boy Trevor Reade**, **Senior Girl Jaymey Hawley**, **Senior Boy Mike Vermeesch**, **Communications Officer Sara Valentini**, **Treasurer Dan Larocca**, and **Secretary Luke Ottenhof**. The new council will be working hard with us in May on events like the **Grade Eight Day**, the **Food Blitz**, and the next school dance. The next dance is on **Friday, May 14th**, with a flashback theme. Have a great May, Crusaders!

Kaitlyn Barbosa, Communications Officer

SPRING AT HOLY CROSS

The **optional** spring uniform may be worn beginning on **Monday, May 3rd, 2010**. The spring uniform consists of a school-crested green golf shirt and school-crested beige shorts offered for purchase at Holy Cross. Flat front shorts for girls will be offered once again this year. Footwear for the spring uniform is either sandals or running shoes. Students may continue to wear the fall/winter uniform. **Combinations of the seasonal uniforms are not permitted**. **Halpern's** is operating out of the **Tuck Shop**, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, should you still need to purchase the spring uniform.

Now that the nicer weather has returned, more students are leaving school property at the lunch hour. Students are reminded to **dispose of their garbage** in appropriate recycle or garbage containers at or around the school. We all need to act responsibly and respect the property of our school community at all times. Let's continue the good work of our **Eco-Team**. **Respect for others** includes leaving communal and private property undamaged. Students are reminded that they are not to gather in groups and linger near the streets and yards of our community. Represent yourselves and our school with pride.

SPRING USED UNIFORMS FOR SALE IN MAIN OFFICE

If any students or parents are looking for a previously owned spring uniform, please contact **Ms. Daniel** at **613 384-1919 ext 3406** in the Main Office. Green shirts are **\$8.00** and the shorts are **\$10.00**. These uniforms have been donated by students and parents in the school community; any proceeds from this sale will help students in need

pay for school-related costs. Many thanks to Catholic School Council members **Lori O'Connor** and **Nancy Hayes**, for working hard behind the scenes to help our community. There will be a previously owned uniform sale opportunity in the summer. Read the June newsletter for further information.

KIDS HELPING KIDS TOONIE FRIDAY (MAY 7th)

The entire school community is invited to join in supporting our **Catholic Education Foundation** on **Friday, May 7th, 2010** as part of our Spirit Week celebrations. **The Catholic Education Foundation** has focused its efforts toward the alleviation of poverty in our region and will officially proclaim this new direction by inviting the entire school system to participate in a "**Kids Helping Kids**" dress up/dress down **Toonie Friday**. All proceeds collected from students and staff will go to the **Emergency Response Fund** of the Foundation established to respond to emergency requests by principals on behalf of students in need. This assistance includes the provision of eyeglasses, EpiPens, medical supplies, food and clothing, transportation and many other financial needs resulting from family crises. Help make our "**Kids Helping Kids**" **Toonie Friday** a big success!

HC COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS WIN IN SKILLS COMPETITIONS!

Holy Cross Grade 11 Communications Technology students **Ashley Roddy** and **Jamie Gillespie** won first place in the **Limestone Skills Competition** in the Television / Video Production category. On **Wednesday, March 31st**, more than 400 students and 75 judges showcased the skills, attitudes and talents required to apply and succeed in Technological Education and careers. TV / Video production students were given the specific task to complete a public service announcement (P.S.A.) television commercial promoting **Earth Day 2010**, from start to finish, within the predetermined time frame of 5 hours, which was judged by industry professionals from **CKWS TV**. The annual competition is an excellent opportunity for students to demonstrate their technical talent and artistic creativity putting all of their skills to the test against their peers and current industry standards. **Ashley** and **Jamie** qualified to advance to the **Eastern Regional Provincial Skills Canada Competition**.

Holy Cross won second place in the **Eastern Regional Skills Canada Competition** on **Saturday, April 17th**, also hosted by **St. Lawrence College**. **Holy Cross** scored 94.71, and the first place team from Brockville scored 94.8 %, a difference of only . 09 % !!! The **HC** team had to video record, edit, write music, and generate graphics for a "**Stop Bullying**" PSA TV commercial in 3.5 hours.. The **Holy Cross** students are the only **Kingston** area school team to qualify and advance to the **Provincial Video / Television Skills Canada Competition** in **Waterloo, Ontario**, on **Monday, May 17 to 19th** to compete against the "best-of-the-best" 42 students from across the province.

Ashley Roddy and **Jamie Gillespie** are also enrolled in the **Holy Cross SHSM program (Specialist High Skills Major) in Information and Communications Technology (I.C.T.)**. **Holy Cross** is the only **Kingston** area school that is **Ministry of Education** approved to offer this specialized I.C.T. program. **SHSM** students customize their secondary school studies to focus on audio & video production, graphic design, photography, and web site design. The **SHSM** program has 5 components students complete; senior communications technology courses, 6 certifications (CPR, First Aid, etc...), Cooperative education work placement, Ontario Skills Passport on-line activity, and "Reach Ahead" experiences in the student's post-secondary school studies destination. **SHSM** students graduate with a special **SHSM** red stamp on their Ontario Secondary School Diploma. **SHSM** designation on their student transcript provides students with an advantage in college, university or workplace admission.

Congratulations to Grade 11 Communications Technology students for winning first & second place in the **St. Lawrence College** Advertising/Marketing/Public Relations student media production awards in the secondary school category. **Eric DeSousa** and **Rebecca Linderman** won first place for their public service announcement on wife abuse entitled "Daddy's Coming Home". Second place was won by **Sam Lague**, **Ian Marshall**, and **Tori McAllister** for their wife abuse PSA "Is This Love?".

GRADE 9 ASSESSMENT OF MATHEMATICS

For those who are currently registered in Grade 9 Mathematics courses, the **Grade 9 Assessment of Academic and Applied Mathematics will be written on Friday, June 4th and Monday, June 7th**. This assessment will take place during regularly scheduled classes. Students who achieve at least level three on EQAO and throughout the semester may be exempt from their final summative assessment.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

This month's meeting of the Holy Cross Catholic School Council will be **Monday, May 31st** at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. All members of the community are welcome to this meeting.

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RESOURCE NEWS

The closing day for **Queen's On-Line to Success**, the post-secondary transition course for senior students with learning disabilities, is **May 11th**. Students attending the closing day need to inform their teachers of their absence as well as **Mrs. Berry**, attendance secretary, at **613-384-1919 ext. 3409**.

St. Lawrence College invites students with learning disabilities to attend "**Destination St. Lawrence**" on **May 6-7th**. This two-day event is designed to prepare students for post-secondary transition to college. For further information, contact **Sonya Lem** at **slem@slaw.on.ca**.

A series of meetings are being held this month between **Holy Cross** and its feeder schools. These meetings aim to provide a smooth elementary-secondary school transition for all students –including those on IEPs.

Schedules for 2010-2011 have been distributed to all students. Please verify that your son or daughter on an Individual Education Plan is at the correct level for academic success.

The Learning Disabilities Association of Kingston is offering training sessions in assistive technology for students. For more information, contact **Lana** at **ldak.kingston.ca**.

The **Transition Planning Advisory Committee of Frontenac, Lennox, and Addington** is presenting a **Transition Planning & Information Fair** on **Tuesday, May 11th**, from **6:30-9:00** at **LCVI Cafeteria, 153 Van Order Drive**. This invitation is to parents/guardians, students with a developmental disability, and/or on the autism spectrum and school personnel. Please RSVP to **Donna Abbink** at **613-542-9871 ext. 142** or **abbinkd@limestone.on.ca**.

There will be a meeting of the **Holy Cross Parent/Guardian Group in support of Autism Spectrum Disorder** on **Wednesday May 12th**, at **6:30 p.m.** at the **HC Library**. According to **Carolyn Krug, Chair**, the focus will be to give feedback on the IEP format and she expects to get some links from **Lori Bryden, Coordinator of Student Services for Algonquin Lakeshore C.D.S.B.** New members always welcome.

BRIDGES TO COMMUNITY MILK BAG PROJECT

A sincere thank you to all students and staff who have contributed milk bags to allow our program to create mats for less fortunate individuals in other countries. Your support is really appreciated. The last date for donating milk bags will be **Friday, May 21st**.

CELEBRATING CATHOLIC YOUTH DAY 2010

The Youth Office at the **Diocesan Centre** is planning a "**Celebrating Catholic Youth Day 2010**" at **Holy Cross** on **Saturday, May 8th** for youth ages 13-19 years. The theme for the day is "**SHINE LIKE THE SON**" (from JOHN 3:16 – "For God so loved the world, He gave His only begotten Son.") This will be a full-day event starting at 10 a.m. and ending with a Youth Mass at 4 p.m. Singer and songwriter **Joe Zambon** and his band will provide the musical entertainment. **Most Reverend Archbishop Brendan O'Brien** will be presiding over opening prayer. The keynote speaker will be **Kevin McDonald**, from the **Cornwall Diocese**, an inspiring speaker who was the presenter at last summer's "Journey to the Father" Conference. There will be singing, games and activities, a drama presentation, witness talks, and interactive workshops for youth. It will be a day to remember. Bring a friend. Cost: \$10 and a non-perishable food item. Pre-registration via email: ore@romancatholic.kingston.on.ca This e-mail address is being protected from spam bots,

COUNSELLOR'S CORNER

Grade 8 Orientation at Holy Cross

On **Tuesday, May 4th** our future Grade 9 students will have the opportunity to visit Holy Cross. The **class of 2014** will be given tours, classroom visits and will participate in a question and answer session with current Crusaders.

University and College

University and college bound students are encouraged to check their **OUC** and **OCAS accounts** to verify all transcript data. Mid term marks have been sent to both application centres.

OYAP Program

Information on Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Programs (Level 1 Apprenticeship) is available in Student Services. Programs include: Automotive Services Technician, Carpenter, Cook/Chef, Construction Craft Work, Early Childhood Education, Bricklayer and Hairstylist. Please see your guidance counselor.

Dual Credits

St. Lawrence College provides an opportunity for Grade 12 students to attend a St. Lawrence College course and receive credit towards their Ontario Secondary School Graduation Diploma. See your Counsellor for more details.

Volunteer Opportunities for Spring/Summer:

Spring and Summer bring many opportunities to volunteer within the community! For more information on these and other **volunteer** and **employment** opportunities, please see Student Services.

Katimavik

Graduating students not ready for college or university, who are adventurous and ready to live in different areas of Canada, and who are interested in volunteering in community development initiatives may be interested in what Katimavik has to offer. Katimavik provides participants with a structured learning program that focuses on civic engagement, leadership, healthy lifestyle, cultural discovery, and environmental stewardship. Go to katimavik.org/gap to learn more about their programs.

Timetables 2010-2011

Students will be able to access their timetables via the Maplewood Portal on the main page of the Holy Cross website hctoday.ca. The timeline for next year's timetable distribution is the last week in May.

St. Lawrence College Connections Program

On **Thursday, May 6th**, a group of grade 10 and 11 Holy Cross students will be exploring careers in an interactive Connections program at **St. Lawrence College**. The program will provide an exciting opportunity to investigate first-hand such careers as hairstyling/aesthetics, carpentry, police foundations, law and security, and early childhood education.

E-Learning Summer School 2010

Are you too busy to attend in class Summer School, but would like the opportunity to earn a credit on a flexible schedule? E-Learning might be an option for you. If you are interested in any of the following e-Learning courses please speak to your Guidance Counsellor for more information or to register. All e-Learning courses do require students to take part in an online orientation program before classes begin.

Courses Offered: **ENG3U, ENG4U, PPZ30, GLW30, GLC20 & CHV20**

Course Dates: **July 5th - July 28th**

PSAT – Test Location

Students wishing to write the **Practise Scholastic Aptitude Test** should see their guidance counselor by **Friday, June 11th**, in order to reserve a spot to write the test next fall at **RND**. The cost, with your registration form, is \$20.00.

QUEEN'S MINI-ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Holy Cross students will be participating in **E=MC²**, a mini-enrichment program at **Queen's University** from **May 3rd – 7th**. The program provides students in grades 9-12 the unique opportunity to go to Queen's and study a subject of their choosing at an advanced level for the week. There are several subjects offered, covering aquatic ecology, robotics, sport psychology, dance choreography and anything in between!

OSAP

A financial representative will discuss OSAP applications on **Tuesday, May 18th** at 11:10 a.m. in the Lecture Theatre. Graduating students and their parents are encouraged to attend.

you need JavaScript enabled to view it or by calling **Gorett DeSilva** at **613-548-4461**

ARTS NOTES

Genesis Awards

The **Genesis Awards**, a gala evening celebrating student achievement in the arts and offering a retrospective of the department's artistic undertakings this school year, will take place on **Wednesday, May 26th, 2010** at the school. Don't miss this opportunity to recognize and share the outstanding work of our student artists in music, visual art, dramatic arts, vocal music, guitar, photography, and audio/video production. This year's theme for the awards is **Vintage: Old is the New Cool**. The evening begins at 7:00 p.m. and tickets go on sale for \$5.00 at the school during the week of **May 16th-20th**. The Genesis Awards promises an evening of memorable moments, so find something old to wear and come out to see the new rising artists at Holy Cross.

Bands / Vocals Trip

The **New York City Band Trip** was a huge success and it was my pleasure to assist in the supervision of the 111 students of the band and vocal group on this trip. The two day **Heritage Music Festival** attracted over 3 000 students from all over. On Saturday night, the students were presented with three Silver Medals or ratings of Excellence for their performance. In addition **Josh Blackstock** received one of seven **Maestro Awards** for extraordinary musical ability for his outstanding vocal performance.

Sunday morning was very special for **Fr. Rene**, students and staff as we attended 10:15 mass at **St. Patrick's Cathedral** on 5th Avenue. **Fr. LaBelle** concelebrated mass with **Msgr. Robert Ritchie, Rector**. Our students joined parishioners and visitors forming a congregation of 2 400. the Cathedral is magnificent and was truly an amazing place for us to celebrate mass before heading home. Congratulations are extended to the students, their chaperones (**Fr. Rene LaBelle, Shelley MacLean, Ann O'Brien, Sean Roberts and Tim Sicoli**) and teachers (**Ilena Culleton, Diane McCombs and Dave Orser**) on not only their achievements and their decorum on this amazing trip.

Grade 9 Band: Trills and Thrills Music Competition at Canada's Wonderland

On **Friday, May 28th, 2010**, the **Grade Nine Band** will travel to **Toronto** to participate in the **Trills and Thrills Music Festival**. The student musicians will perform at **Agincourt High School** in the morning and then will spend the balance of the day at **Canada's Wonderland**.

Grade Twelve Vocal Concert

On **Wednesday, June 9th, 2010** the **Grade Twelve Vocal Class** will present their final gala concert. The performance will take place in the cafetorium and curtain time is **7:30 p.m.**. Tickets are only **\$5.00** at the door. Come out and enjoy an exciting evening of vocal performance.

ECO-CORNER

April was a great month for 'green' activities at **Holy Cross**. During **Earth Week**, grade level assemblies entitled **'We've got the Power'** were held in the cafetorium. This year's 25 minute presentation focused on reducing our carbon footprint by making smart choices in our energy use, the things we buy, and the food we eat. During the week, we also hosted a visit from the two coordinators of the **Kingston Sustainability Centre** as well as students from the environmental club at **St. Marguerite Bourgeoys** elementary. Over 30 classes also participated in the **'Calculate your Carbon Footprint'** and **'Act of Green'** activities. With the excellent help of several grade 9 classes, we also completed a **garbage audit**. The results revealed that only 32% of our garbage was actual waste. The rest was made up of paper (23%), recyclable containers (24%), and compostable waste (21%). A **final energy audit** also found that over 90% of lights and about 75% of monitors are being turned off when not in use. This is a drastic improvement from the fall! We would like to thank all staff and students that were involved in the **Earth Week** celebrations. *Keep it green, HC!*

Eco-tip: Did you know that one cheeseburger results in the production 3-6 kg of greenhouse gasses? This large carbon footprint comes from the different stages of cattle growth, transportation, and refrigeration. Try following the **David Suzuki Foundation** challenge to Canadians to eat

a meat-free meal once a week. Your planet and body will thank you!

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Mother's Day is a time for warm thoughts and fond memories, for expressing the feelings and words that often go unspoken, for letting those special people in our lives know that they are loved and appreciated. This spring, Mother's Day is celebrated on **Sunday, May 9th**. May God bless all mothers with the peace and happiness they so richly deserve.

JUNE SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENTS AND EXAMINATION PERIOD

The last day of classes for all students this year is **Tuesday, June 15th**. **Final summative assessments** will take place from **Wednesday, June 16th to Tuesday, June 22nd** for students in all grades. A more specific calendar will be available mid-May. Morning examinations begin at **8:30 a.m.** while afternoon examinations start at **12:00 p.m.**

SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION

Summer school will operate at **Bayridge Secondary School** this summer beginning on **Monday, July 5th** and concludes on **July 29th**. Summer school is operated by the two Boards of Education in the Kingston Area: Limestone and our own Algonquin & Lakeshore Catholic District School Board. Further information regarding Summer school in available in Student Services. **Students may select to take courses to improve on a mark already achieved or enrol in a new credit course.**

SCHOOL TEXTBOOKS

We are very pleased with the responsible way in which students are dealing with textbooks. As we have requested, students are bringing in books needing repair. Prevention like this avoids students having to pay charges for repair or replacement at the end of term. It is the student's responsibility to personally return the textbooks they were **issued** to the **Textbook Room** to ensure that their account is cleared. **Do not** leave textbooks in the classroom or exam room. **Holy Cross textbooks are due back no later than the day of the individual student's last exam.**

ATHLETIC AWARDS BANQUET

The **2009-2010 Athletic Banquet and Awards Presentation** will be held on the evening of **Wednesday, June 2nd**. Tickets are **\$5.00 for students** and **\$10.00 for adults**. They go on sale **May 25th** in the main lobby. The banquet begins at **5:30**, followed by the guest speaker at **6:15**. Awards presentations begin at **6:30**. Teachers have been given nomination forms; parents and students are also welcome to submit nominations for deserving athletes. A link to the form is available on our website and nominations may be submitted electronically to huntert@alcdsb.on.ca. Students are to dress in casual business style which may include shirts and ties for the gentlemen, and dresses for the women. No jeans please.

HOLY CROSS CHEERLEADING

This year's phenomenal **HCSS Cheer Team** is heading to **Mississauga** the weekend of **May 1st and 2nd** to compete against the best teams in the country at the **Canadian National Championships**. Good luck girls as you continue the tradition of excellence in athletics.

JUNE AT HOLY CROSS

June 2.....	Green and Silver Athletics Awards Banquet
June 3.....	Final School Mass
June 9.....	Gr. 12 Vocal Music Concert
June 4 & 7.....	EQAO Gr. 9 Mathematics Assessment Days
June 14 & 15.....	Exam Review Days
June 16, 17, 18.....	Final Summative Assessments
June 21, 22.....	Exam Days
June 16 - 23.....	Textbook Return Period
June 20.....	Father's Day
June 21.....	First Nations Day, Summer Solstice
June 23.....	Locker Clean-up and Clear-out Deadline
June 24.....	HC Class of 2010 Final Course Documentation Due
June 25.....	Deadline for changes for IEPs
June 28.....	Exam Return Day
June 29.....	Graduation Mass and Ceremony
June 30.....	Locks are removed from lockers, PA Day #6
JULY 2010	
July 1.....	Canada Day
July 5 - 29.....	Summer School Begins at Bayridge SS

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2010

This year's graduation ceremony will be held on **Tuesday, June 29th** beginning at **7 p.m.** at the school. A **Graduation Mass** will be celebrated by **Father René Labelle** at **St. Paul the Apostle Church** on **Taylor-Kidd Blvd** at **12:00 p.m.** for the graduates, their families and friends and staff. Please mark this date on your calendar.

Community Involvement Hours

A number of projected graduates have not completed Community Involvement Hours. Documentation is to be submitted to Student Services by **Friday, May 14th**. So get to it!

Following is a list of students who, at this point, are **potential** graduates and eligible to take part in the **June 2010** graduation ceremony. The completion of thirty (30) credits (including compulsories) forty (40) hours of Community involvement and the successful completion of the literacy test, are the key components of the diploma requirements. The community involvement hours (40) are to be completed and submitted to Student Services by **Friday, May 14th, 2010**. It is **the student's responsibility** to ensure that **all** requirements (including night school courses and on-line courses) have been completed or will be completed. The final marks for on-line and night school courses must be submitted to Student Services by **Monday, June 14th, 2010**. Please contact your counsellor if you have any concerns.

Jacob Aalders, Carl Allen, Julia Allen, Zach Allen, Emily Almeida, Phillip Andre, Samantha Arniel, Rachel Arnold, Sarah Arnold, Jason Arsenault, Rebecca AuCoin, Alexander Baldwin, Andrew Baldwin, Luke Ball, Omar Ballantyne, Emma Barbosa, Kaitlyn Barbosa, Brittany Bauder, Jamie Beauchamp, Pierre Bedrossian, Sarah Bell, Cory Benn, Jenna Bergeron, Martin Bigger, Kaitlin Bilkovski, Roger Black, Amie Boily, Chantel Bolarinho, Jeffrey Borges, Andrew Bowles, Kayla Bowser, Eric Branco, Myranda Branco, Alexandra Braunstein, Andrew Breeze, Gavin Brockway, Brianna Brooks, Marcus Burke, Alexander Burt, Benjamin Burton, Ryan Callaghan, Christopher Campbell, Shyleen Campbell, Christian Cantarutti, Shelley Cao, Eddie Carreiro, Kaci Carter, Andrew Carty, Bradley Carty, Leah Carty, Brendan Caverley, Tigh Chapman, Ashlee Charlton, Johnson Chen, Olivia Chung, Jamie Clayton, Kanon Clifford, Torrin Clinkinboomer, Brianna Cloutier, Bradley Cole, Emilija Cooke, Steve Correia, Madeline Corsi-Johnson, Fallan Cowan, Giovanni Crocco, Brandon Daines, Andrew Dantes, Jeffrey Davies, Michael Davis, Jordan Dawdy, Ryan deHaan, Jordan denOuden, Kianna Derue, Emily Deschamps, Mark Desousa, Phillip DeSousa, Shayna DeSousa, Sarah Dillon, Joshua Dorey, Georgio Doulas, Christopher Doyle, Conor Doyle, Adam Drew, Emily Dunn, Katie Dunphy, Kyle Dunphy, Kayla Dye, Brock Edwards, Kyle Egan, Justin Emmerton, Mitchell Evans, Kevin Feeley, Andrina Fellger, Sarah Ferguson, Kyle Ferreira, Christine Ferris, Adam Finn, Lauren Fisher, Tellie Fitt, Corey Flude, Taylor Fox, Alexandra Frappier, Phillip French, Aaron Gazendam, Michael Gencarelli, Rebecca Geniole, Ryan Giddy, Samm Gike, Brandon Gilmour, Jeffrey Ginn, Dustin Girard, Matt Gooding, Christopher Grady, Cameron Gray, Bobby Green, Tyl's Anne Grenier, Dominic Guagliardo, Mary Anne Guanzon, Andrea Guimont, Siera Halligan, Mary Hanley, Lucas Hargrave, Andrew Harper, Alex Hart, Travis Haycock, Erin M Hayes, Jillian Hebbard, Brock Higgs, Sean Ho, Benjamin Holmes, Taylor Hoy, Lacey Hudson, Sam Hume, Eric Hurt, Brynn Hutzler, Myles Impens, Joseph Ireland, Matthew Jalink, John Janiec, Scott Jarvis, Shane Johnson, Amy Jordison, Richard Kearns, Marion Kellar, Brendan Kelly, Alexander Kemp, Jamie Kenny, Hillary Kerr, Kyle Kinsella, Sharalee Knight, Alexander Korponay, Luke Koshowski, Joshua Kotack, John Lane, Megan Latour, Benoit Laurendeau, Alexander Lawrie, Joey Lee, Soo Lee, Nick Lefebvre, Nathan Levac, Laura Lewis, Simon Li, Sarah Lindsay, Aertai Liu, Virginia Lott, David Loyst, Litesha Lucas, Joseph MacDonald, Kaity MacEachern, Kelly MacFarlane, Emily MacKay, Adam Mahoney, Alexandra Makula, Amanda Manion, John Manion, Colin Mantle, Matthew Marchand, Olivia Marino, Hannah Mark, Adrian Marshall, Samantha Martin, Tyler Martins, Bianca Maschi, Katie Maschi, Paul Maschi, Jessica Masterson, Dylan Mastrianni, Manju Mathew, Melissa Mattson, Jerai Mau, Curtis McAuley, Lindsay McCarthy-Mowbray, Alysha McCormick, Mathew McCracken, Peter McGregor, Nicholas McMullin, Bradley McMurray, Andrew Meiklejohn, Ben Millan, Cole Miller, Fiona Mills, Marcus Mills, Dustin Mitchell, Jacob Montani, Megan Moore, Tyler Moore, Steven Moreau, Hugo Moreira, Luke Morrison, Brooklin Murphy, Dillon Murphy, James Murphy, Maria Murphy, Graham Mushet, Trevor Neeteson, Ellice O'Brien, Olivia O'Hearn, Jennifer O'Neil, Marlee Palmer, Jessica Pansarella, Chelsea Pardy, Brian Parfett, Howard Park, Michael Parks, Erica Pascoal, Nick Pascoal, Kristin Patry, Kirsten Pemberton, Calvin Perault, Kirsten Petersen, Jonah Petric, Laura Petrunka, Tashya Popis, Jordan Pugh, Landon Punched, Jordan Reda, Courtney Reid, Tye Robidoux, Melisa Rose, Kyle Rots, Savannah Rousselle, Adam Royce, Matthew Running, Courtney Ruttan, Colin Saccary, Corey St-Onge, Peter Sanfilippo, Joan Savelberg, Gerry Sears, Zachary Sears, Jessica Shannon, Matthew Shephard, Graham Sigurdson, Leandra Silver, Erika Simone, Olivia Simpson, Andrew Slaughter, Douglas Smiley, Jacob Smith, Shelly Smith, Erika Sorensen, Danielle Spafford, Logan Speer, Jordan Spencer, Jennifer Spinozzi, Patrick Stafford, Brett Stavinga, Kim Stevenson, Matthew Stevenson, Cassie Stewart, Christina Stewart, Nicholas Sullivan, Stephen Sullivan, Kendra Sweet, Danielle Sylvester, Grace Sylvester, Stephanie Talledo, Laurissa Tassielli, Donald Thomas, Jessie Treneer, Tessa Turkeli, Ashley Upton, Brina Vaillancourt, Kristina Vanderhelm, Travis Vankoughnett, Evan VanZuylen, Erik Veenendaal, Kaitlynn Velej, Joshua Vickers, Joshua Vickery, Nicholas Vidotto, Ali Visintin, Nick Ward, Caolan Weima Majury, Katie Wheeler, Joseph Wilkinson, Deborah Williams, Adam Wilson, Brittany Wood, Jacob Wray-Baker, Mahalia Wreggitt, Patrick Wreggitt, Dabin Yang, Alex Zandarin, Yi Zang.

RETURNING GRADE TWELVES

Any students who are interested in returning for a fifth year, or portion thereof, of high school must first meet with **Mr. Walsh**. Please schedule an appointment. Currently, there are 106 Grade Twelve students who have registered to return next year.

