



HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL, KINGSTON

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The season of **Advent** helps to prepare us for **Christmas**, and is the start of the liturgical year in our Church. On a daily basis, groups gather in the Foyer to light our Advent wreath candles and to share some prayers. The season of light is particularly powerful as the days are shorter, the weather is colder, and many of us settle into the doldrums of **November**. With the school calendar as it is this year, we will spend almost all of Advent together. It is my hope that we come together as a community in this hopeful season.

At this time of year, I encourage all to give generously to assist those who are in need. May the true spirit of the season and Christmas touch each of you and your families. Here at **Holy Cross**, students and staff will be entering into the spirit of this season together through our Advent campaign, our Advent liturgies, and our daily interactions in and around the school building.

Congratulations to all of our fall sports teams for representing **Holy Cross** on the court, the field and the trails. Each athlete and coach put forward their best efforts and represented the **Crusader** spirit well – we will cherish the many individual and team highlights throughout the fall season. We are proud of all of your accomplishments. I highlight here, for congratulations, the **Senior Girls' Basketball Team** who won **OFSAA Silver**, the **Boys' Golf Team** (**Carter Kelly, Connor Lyon, Noah Steele, and Eric Macrow**) who finished eighth at **OFSAA** as well as **Diana McDonald** who finished tenth individually at **OFSAA Golf**, the **Junior Boys' Football Team** who captured the **KASSAA** crown, **Chris Kimmerer** who qualified for **OFSAA Cross-Country**, and the **Sr. Boys' Football Team**, the **Junior Girls' Basketball Team** and the **Junior Boys' Volleyball Team** who were all city finalists.

As we near Christmas, so many arts and technology initiatives are underway, it's awe-inspiring. I note in particular the wonderful performances of **The Secret Garden** – another Kingston area first - and the corresponding art and photography display. The talent at this school, directed by Ms. Stacy Check Drumm, is simply amazing. We look forward to the **Holy Cross bands** getting us into the Christmas spirit during our lunch hours and at the **Katharine Splinter Memorial Concert**.

I wish students, teachers and support staff good luck in their endeavours to complete the semester with the best results possible. I hope that all have a wonderful Christmas holiday, surrounded by the love of family and friends.

Paul A. Walsh

PASTORAL NEWS

We have begun another **Advent Season** here at **Holy Cross** with many special liturgies and events planned for the coming weeks. Students and staff will be participating with their classes in our **Advent Reconciliation Services** on **Thursday, December 6th** in

the **Library**. All are invited to an **Archdiocesan** celebration for the feast of the **Immaculate Conception** on **Friday, December 7th** at **7:30 p.m.** at **St. Mary's Cathedral**. We will be celebrating the **Eucharist** together at our **Advent School Mass** on **Thursday, December 13th**.

Congratulations to members of **C.I.C.S.** who were part of this year's **Toronto Street Retreat** from **November 12 – 13th**. The students did a **Street Walk** with **Patrick Sullivan** of **Sanctuary Ministries**, took food, socks and love to the homeless through an evening **Street Patrol**, and then finished up by helping prepare and serve lunch to

THIS MONTH AT HOLY CROSS

- Saturday, December 1 .. Closing Night, *The Secret Garden*, 7 p.m.
World AIDS Day
- Sunday, December 2.....First Sunday of Advent
- Mon, Dec 3.....International Day of Persons with Disabilities
Grade 11 Post-Secondary Info Assembly, Period 1
CICS Advent Collection Begins
Queen's Student Teachers Return
- Week of 3 – 10Grade Nine Transition Survey
- Tuesday, Dec 4.....Grade 11 Post-Secondary Info Assembly, P1
Improv Tryouts, 2:45 – 4 p.m., Room 246
- Wednesday, December 5.....Winter Season Team Photographs
Grade 11 Post-Secondary Info Assembly, P1
Improv Tryouts continue, after school
- Thursday, December 6..... Season Team Photographs
Grade Level Reconciliations
Nat'l Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence Against Women
Improv Tryouts continue, after school
- Fri, Dec 7.....Crusader Bands Performance, Foyer, lunchtime
Queen's Online to Success Registration Deadline
Feast of the Immaculate Conception, 7 pm, St. Mary's Cathedral
- Sat, Dec 8.....Saturation Saturday Jr Girls' Volleyball Tournament
- Mon, December 10.....International Human Rights Day
- Tues, Dec 11.....Crusaders Bands Performance, Foyer, lunchtime
- Wed, December 12.....Nat'l Day of Prayer for Aboriginal People
Crusader Bands Performance, Foyer, lunchtime
- Thursday, December 13.....Advent School Mass
Katharine Splinter Memorial Christmas Concert, 7, Gymnasium
Advent Bake Sale, Bridges Program, Foyer
- Fri & Sat, 14 & 15.....Archbishop Spence's Jr Boys' Bball Tourney
- Week of 17 – 21Spirit Week
- Monday, Dec 17.....Student Council Bake Sale, lunch, Foyer
- Tuesday, December 18.....Kingston Street Retreat
Gingerbread House Making Contest, lunch, Cafetorium
- Wednesday, December 19.....Coffee House
Christmas Carol Karaoke, lunch, Cafetorium
- Thursday, December 20.....Advent Collection Ends
Winter Solstice
Tacky Christmas Sweater Day (with uniform)
- Friday, December 21.....Tentative Non-Uniform Day
Final Instructional Day before Christmas
The Hobbit, Periods 1 and 2
- Monday, January 7First Day of Classes in 2013

the less fortunate at the **Good Shepherd Refuge**. **CICS** will be following up on this experience with a **Kingston Street Retreat** on **Tuesday, December 18th**. Our **Advent Fundraising Campaign** this year will involve collecting money from our home form classes to provide "**Winter Warmth**" survival kits for homeless youth here in **Kingston** as well as help build a home for a disadvantaged family in **Kingston, Jamaica** through the "**Food for the Poor**" organization. We will also be delivering a few **Christmas Hampers** to families in need just before **Christmas**. If you would like to be involved in providing a **Christmas Hamper** for a local family in need please call me in the **Chaplaincy Office** at **Holy Cross (ext. 3436)**. May God bless our students, staff and families with a holy Advent and a peaceful and joyful **Christmas**.
Chris Forster, Pastoral Services

STUDENT COUNCIL

December is an exciting and generous month. **Student Council** has more than enough fun and charitable events planned to make it an outstanding three weeks as we head toward the **Christmas Break**. We are assisting in two **Advent charities** this year. One is to raise funds to build a house in **Jamaica** and the other is "**In From the Cold**", a charity whereby we will make 50 kits containing useful items for homeless youth in **Kingston**. During the first three weeks of **Advent**, students are encouraged to bring in donations to their homeroom class. The first Friday of **December** is a **Jamaica Colours Day**. For \$2 (not pre-paid), students can wear casual clothes that have **Jamaican** colours (black, yellow, and, green) to raise money for the **Jamaica** mission trip in **February** of next year.

Student Council will be hosting a **Coffee House** on **Wednesday, December 19th** at 7pm for only \$5!! Auditions will take place after school **Monday** and **Tuesday** of the first week of **December** if you wish to perform (sing, play an instrument, band, dance, etc.) **Christmas Spirit Week** will fill the week leading up to the holidays with fun and excitement: **Student Council** is organizing a **Christmas Spirit Week** from **December 17th** to the **21st**.

- **Monday, December 17th - Student Council Christmas Bake Sale** at lunch in the **Main Foyer**
- **Tuesday, December 18th - Gingerbread House Making Contests** at lunch in the **Cafeteria** (payment required to participate and prizes given)
- **Wednesday, December 19th - Christmas Carol Karaoke** at lunch in the **Cafeteria** (payment required to participate and prizes given)
- **Thursday, December 20th - Tacky Christmas Sweater Day** (regular uniform still worn) and pictures with **Santa Claus, Mrs. Claus**, and elves/reindeer at lunch in the **Main Foyer**
- **Friday, December 21st** - Period 1 and 2 students who sign up and pay will be excused from class to see **The Hobbit** in theatres at **Cineplex Odeon** on **Gardiners Rd.**

I wish you all the best **Christmas** holiday you have ever had and encourage you to participate in the events planned for this month. "Only in the moments when we our lost, do we best understand where we are."

Matthew Mark, Communications Officer

BRIDGES CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE

The **Bridges Under 18** students are enthusiastically preparing some mouthwatering treats for their annual Christmas bake sale being held on **December 13th, 2012** in the main foyer during the lunch hour. Bring some change and try some of our new selections. You won't want to miss out on this event!

ECO-CORNER

"When a thing is wick, and someone cares about it, and comes to work each day, like you and me, will it grow?" asked the character **Mary** in song during this year's musical production of **The Secret Garden**. The answer that followed, of course, is yes. That is what the **Green Team** strives to do throughout the year, care for the environment and watch it thrive. The **Green Team** took the responsibility of running the refreshment table for this year's musical in an effort to reduce waste and provide locally produced treats. **The Secret Garden** is a perfect fit for highlighting **Holy Cross'** own secret garden – our organic vegetable garden located on the south side of the property in the east end. Thanks to the efforts of members of the **Green Team**, the garden has produced vegetables that have been donated to a local soup kitchen and to our own cafeteria over the past two years. The refreshment table had garden themed decorations and included a slide show with pictures from our vegetable garden. The fresh apple cider sold at the table was from a local apple orchard and was served in reusable glassware rather than throwaway plastic. Staff made delectable scones inspired by the English setting of the play. All profit from the table is going towards automatic energy saving lights for the **Holy Cross** bathrooms. If that wasn't enough to keep the **Green Team** busy, we also went on a field trip to **Wolfe Island** on **Friday, November 30th, 2012**. There, we braved the frigid temperatures and got a tour of the **Wolfe Island Wind Farm**. Cows and horses that roam the island came up to greet us and we saw the eighty meter tall wind woodbines that power **Kingston**. At the **Ryan Centre Outdoor Education Centre**, we received a certificate for being part of the **Ontario Ecoschools** program for four years. **Mike Bibby** was our tour guide for the day. He explained to us that despite the doom and gloom surrounding environmental activism, conservation is actually an underlying message of hope. That outlook is the message behind the **Ryan Centre**, **The Secret Garden** and the **Green Team's** efforts. *Keep it Green HC!*

EQAO GRADE NINE ASSESSMENT OF MATHEMATICS In **January 2012**, **Holy Cross** students who are currently enrolled in a **Grade 9 Applied or Academic** course will join others in a provincewide standardized **Grade Nine Math Test**. This mandatory assessment will involve multiple choice questions, short answer and extended responses. This test will be administered on **Thursday and Friday, January 18 and 19th, 2013**. *Please note that for students in the academic program, this accounts for ten per cent of their final mark; for students in the applied level, an exemption from final exam may take place if they: 1) have term work at level three or four, 2) submit an EQAO review book at level three or four, and 3) score level three or four on the EQAO assessment.* Teachers will inform their students of exemptions prior to final exams.

INFORMATION FROM SPECIAL EDUCATION

Post-secondary Transition Planning: grade 12 students on IEPs attending a postsecondary institution (college/university) are encouraged to prepare their transition portfolio. If interested, contact **Ms. Gavan Knox** in **Room 117** or phone **613 – 384-1919 ext. 3426**.

The application deadline for the **Online to Success Course** offered for grade 11 and 12 students with learning disabilities / ADHD is **January 15th, 2013**; course runs from **March-May, 2013**. Interested grade 11 students are asked to contact **Mrs. Hulse, ext. 3428**; grade 12 students, contact **Ms Gavan Knox, ext. 3426**. Grade 9 students on IEP's taking the **EQAO Math Assessment** in **January** are being interviewed by **Mrs. Poels** to ensure that they receive the needed accommodations. See <http://www.eqao.com/Students/Secondary> for details.

Students on IEP's use their accommodations during the final exams. Students who decline this right need to provide a letter from their Parent/Guardian which authorizes this change to the IEP. Letters are to be addressed to **Ms. Daniel, Vice Principal**.

The **Social Society** welcomes all students to participate in activities

on Thursdays during lunch in Room 136.

Thank you to all Parents and Guardians who returned the IEP contact forms. Have a question about IEPs? Contact us at **613-384-1919 ext.3426**.

CRUSADER ATHLETICS

The **Winter Season** has begun. Up to date information on schedules can be found on the **KASSAA** website <http://www.kassaa.ca>. Additional sporting information can be found on our athletics web page and our twitter account (**@gr33narmy**). Special sporting events upcoming at **Holy Cross** include: the **Crusader Christmas Classic Basketball Tournament – November 30th** and **December 1st**, **Saturation Saturday Junior Girls Volleyball – December 8th**, and the **Archbishop Spence's Jr. Boys' Basketball Tournament – December 14th** and **15th**. The **Memorial** is scheduled for **January 17th** at **6 pm** and **8 pm** in the **Holy Cross** gym.

COUNSELLORS' CORNER

Looking for a Job or Volunteer Hours...

Students are reminded to regularly check the postings on the Job & Volunteer Board located outside Student Services.

Course Changes for Semester Two

Students intending to make changes in their Semester Two timetable are asked to do so by **Friday, December 14th**.

College/University Applications

Post-secondary application workshops and information sessions have concluded. Although the deadline for applications to **OUAC** (University) is **January 16th** and **OCAS** (College) is **February 1st**, the **Holy Cross** recommended date is **December 15th**. All PIN numbers for university applicants have arrived, and students should have stopped by **Student Services** to pick up theirs. PIN numbers are not required for college applications; however, students do require their OEN number which can be found on their report card.

Shad Valley: A pre-university experience for grade 10, 11 and 12 students. **Shad Valley** offers an ambitious curriculum of academics, collaborative projects, and physical/recreational activities. An application form, personal accomplishment profile, reference letter and essay are part of the application process. There are two application intake dates: **December 5th, 2012**. **January 16th, 2013**. Applications are available in **Student Services**.

Catalyst Grade 11 Women's Conference

The **University of Waterloo** is hosting the 3rd annual **Catalyst Grade 11 Women's Conference**. From **May 3rd** to **May 5th 2013**, attendees will experience what it means to be an engineer and what it is like to be a student at **Waterloo**. By participating in a number of hands-on workshops, meet and greets with female students in engineering, competing in a design competition and experiencing life in residence they will build a better understanding of the profession of engineering and post secondary education. The registration fee for this event is \$100 and includes meals, some snacks and residence accommodations. Contact **Mara Fontana** at **519-888-4567 ext 38880** for more information.

House of Commons Page Program

Grade 12 students accepted to a university in the **National Capital Region** with an academic average of 80% are eligible to apply to the **House of Commons Page Program**. Work begins in late **August 2013**, and the work schedule will be coordinated with their university schedule. Students must also speak fluent French to be eligible. For more information please go to www.parl.gc.ca/hocpage. The deadline to apply is **Thursday, December 23rd, 2012**.

Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program

"The skilled trades are more important to **Ontario's** future than ever before. Establishing the **College of Trades** recognizes the sector's professionalism, and will help **Ontario** produce the skilled workers we need to compete in tomorrow's economy." – **John Milloy, Minister of Training Colleges and Universities (October 27th, 2009)**.

What is an Apprenticeship? – An apprenticeship is a hands-on training program for people who want to work in skilled trades or occupations. About 90% of an apprenticeship involves on-the-job training by employers; the remaining 10% involves theoretical training at a college or with a training provider.

How long does an Apprenticeship last? – Most apprenticeships take 2 – 5 years, depending on the trade. There are usually 2 or 3 in-college training segments associated with the overall apprenticeship term.

Can a student start an apprenticeship while attending high school? – Yes! The **Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program (OYAP)** provides opportunities for senior students (grades 11 and 12) to become registered apprentices while finishing high school.

Does the ALCDSB have any examples of OYAP student involvement? – Yes! Over the past 5 years there has been significant interest and growth in OYAP enrollment. For example, in 2008-09, 242 students were enrolled in cooperative education placements in skilled trade areas. Of this group, 46 students were formally registered as apprentices with employers, and 35 received their Level 1 apprenticeship training at either St. Lawrence College, Loyalist College or Local 183. Note: College tuition fees for OYAP students enrolled in the Carpentry, Hairstylist, Brick and Stone Mason, Automotive, Cook, Early Childhood Education, and Construction Craft Worker programs are paid for by MTCU.

How do high school students get involved? – Information about OYAP may be obtained from the guidance departments or cooperative education teachers in any of the Board's high schools. (Web information at www.oyap.com)

Who Should Consider OYAP? - Students who:

- Are at least 16 years of age and have completed 16 credits
- Are either in grade 11 or 12 and have an interest in a career in a skilled trade

Additional support or information is available from **Jim Johnston** or **Paul Denison, OYAP Coordinators** with the Board. Jim may be reached at **(613) 532-3985**; Paul may be reached at **(613) 849 – 8550**.

The Canada Online University and College Fair Tour

The **Canada** and online **University and College Fair Tour** with 40+ post-secondary institutions are available until **January 15th**.

Atlantic School Fair - register on line at atlanticfair.ca

Western Canada Schools Fair – register on line at westerncanadafair.ca

Central Canada Fair – register on line at centralcanadafair.ca

Grade 9 Honour Roll

Sara Allegrini, Michael Allen, Abbey Anson, Emily Barker, Maureen Barnes, Kara Barr, Natasha Barton, Vanessa Beckett, Victoria Belecque, Francesca Benjamin, Tristin Bertrim, Jonathan Besselink, Nicholas Best, Kourtnei Bickerstaffe, Nicholas Boutillier, Alice Bowyer, Katrina Bracken, Nolan Breault, Ciara-Shay Brown, Bradley Byron, Jonathan Campbell, Alicia Christie, Jesse Collins, Tara Coombs, Kyle Cox, Tess Danforth, Adrianna denOuden, Alison Dodwell, Avery Esford, Alycia Forshner, Cassandra Forshner, Montana Fox, Stephanie Gagnon, Danielle Geary, Caelen Gemmill-Brady, Cedar

Golle, Sabrina Goncalves, Kiana Gouveia, Jordan Grady, Bailey Greenwood-Vidal, Kate Hall, Carter Hoffman, Alyssa Hollinsworth, Cassidy Hollywood, Zachary Hutcheson, Brandan Ignazzitto, Maria Jankovic, Maria Johnson, Rylie Kane, Arianna Kemp, Avery Kent, Christopher Kimmerer, Ryan Kinsella, Zachary Kish, Katryn Klein, Brigitte Lachance, Sydney Lewis, Christen Lindsay, Kaitlyn MacDonald, Stephen Makarucha, Jag Masters, Jade Mau, Matthew McGlashan, Michaela McGrath, Murray McLaren, Shayla Moore, Taylor Morrison, Matthew Muller, Timothy Mullin, Jensen Murphy, Brandon Nadeau, Jewel Neill, Benjamin Ottenhof, Christina Papadakis, David Patterson, Claudia Pawlak, Sarah Peebles, Grace Pereira, Kaitlyn Philip, Talia Phillips, Wyatt Plain, Christiaan Prent, Monica Rafter-Sickling, Gillian Reid, Mikayla Reid, Luke Richardson, Alexxa Roy, Skylee Ryan, Jenna Shoniker, Hannah Smith, Florbela Soares, Rowan Sousa, Elizabeth Spinozzi, Nikolai Stakheiko, Victoria Stinson, Kento Stratford, Courtney Street, Felicity Stroman, Abigail Sutherland, Genevieve Symons, Elliot Tang, Rajiv Tanwani, Jessica Thompson,, Madison Turner, Scott Varey, Brianna Vincent, Jessica Wannamaker, Alexander Wassef, Abigail Watson, Meagan Weir, Braden Wylie

Award winner for best overall average: Kiana Gouveia

Grade 10 Honour Roll

Sarah Agent, Adam Alcorn, Madisson Almeida, Devan Anderson, Emma Arbuckle, Rebecca L Austin, Emma Bagshaw, Mitchell Barr, Benjamin Barrett, Taylor Beaubien, Kristen Bilkovski, Nicole Blacklock, Jordan Braida, Dylan Broad, Madison Brooks, Jessica Bulhoes, Arianna Bullett, Gabriel Burgman, Jacob Cabral, Eleanor Callery, Jordan Carlo, Austin Check, Woo-Jin Cho, Christina Choi, Claire Choiniere, Emily Constantinidis, Annabelle Corsi-Johnson, Madeline Costa, Kenya Costa-Dookhan, Brittany Coulter, Celeste Cunningham, Alyssa Dantes, Sydney DeLonghi, Owen Donnelly, David Dyck, Rachel Falcone, Brianna Faulkner, Madison Fellger, Sarah Flisikowski, Sydney Fonseca, Benjamin Gagnon, Sammy Gentile, Lisa Ginn, Anneke Golemiac, Christina Goodfellow, Megan Gougeon, Michael Guanzon, Jake Gurnsey, Aydan Harper, James Hickey, Amanda Ho, Tyler Horth, Bradley Howe, Anna Jinarak, Cole Johnston, Troy Kenney, Chris Kim, Chris Kincaid-Thompson, Hannah King, Meagan Kirbyson, Katerina Kirkham, Mikhala Kotack, Chelsea Lackey, Kyle Lavorato, Chaerin Lee, Dayeong Lee, Chad Lees, Timmerie Lewis, Rachel Losier, Katrina Lott, Brittany Loyst, Taylor MacDonald, Kathleen MacGregor, Rebecca MacKinder, Joseph Mark, Joseph Marshall, Brent Martindale, Miguel Martins, Brooklyn McCulloch, Tylynne McEvoy, Tara McGlashan, John McGrath, Megan McGuire, Julia McKeown, Roland McKeown, Samantha Memme, Sam Mills, Brenna Murphy, Rachel Murphy, Kelsie Norman, Christa Ohlman, Jonathan Pankow, Felicia Pascoal, Samantha Pascoal, Riya Patel, Kailey Peirson, William Peirson, Jeremy Pendergast, Ryan Penney, Melina Pineau, Mikayla Power, Taylor Pratte, Brianna Robb, Madison Robertson, Anisha Sandhu, Abbygail Satura, Melanie Simourd, Zach Skolnick, Emma Stewart, Caitlin Sullivan, Julia Szczesniak, Alexandra Tassielli, Jordan Taylor, Marissa Taylor, Jessica Therrien, Brianna Tinline, Jarred Troywalchuck, Nikayla Van Asperen, Tessa vanZevenbergen, Jessica Waltner

Award winner for best overall average: Sarah Flisikowski

Grade 11 Honour Roll

Madison Arsenault-Ball, Adam Benn, Blake Bentley, Cassy Bertrim, Korrah Bland, Lindsay Bowser, Jon-Ross Bradshaw, Kieran Broekhoven, Heather Brousseau, Monique Caron, Andre Castillo, Michaela Chambers, Joshua Chevarie, Olivia Cotman, Braedon Couvreur, Nick Cumming, Celeste Cunningham, Cleo Danforth, Michaila Deguire, Fernando de Matos, Miriam DeRoos, Callista DeSousa, Alexhya Desrouleaux, Marissa DiNardo, Joshua DiRocco, Stephanie Donovan, Amanda Douglas, Alesha Drew, Marissa Dwight, Cariston Fawcett, Andrea Findlay, Darby Flynn, Mariah Ford, Madison Fox, Andre Frappier, Nicole Geary, Danielle Gervais, Bianca Goncalves, Ben Gooding, Jesse Goodsell, Samantha Gourdiere, Caleb Gray,

Dillon Gregory, Sara Hadley, Ryan Haire, Robert Halligan, Dayna Hearn, Alexis Heffernan, Emily Ho, Tanner Hoffman, James Hollingsworth, Luke Holmes, Sarah Hudson, Jennifer Jang, Riley Joyce, Ryan Kaiser, Savannah Kimmerer, Zachary King-Beland, Holly Klein, Shelsey Kralik, Zachary Lahey, Alexandra Lansdown, Keira-Lyn LaPierre, Kourtney Lappan, Tina Leadbeater, Carly Lindsay, Caroline Lollar, Mikayla MacDonald, Eric Macrow, Michael Makula, Lisa Marshall, Kianna Mau, Katie McCann, Gabriella McCullough, Morgan McLaren, Peter Mills, Haleigh Morrison, Miranda Neal, Paulina Neocleous, Kaitlyn Northcott, Daniella O'Connor, Oyin Olu-tunda, Annie Ottenhof, Maggie Ottenhof, Nicolas Pacheco, Lindsay Pascoal, Noah Petric, Andrew Pho, Hannah Pho, Rosie Planetta, Katrina Pollitt, Melissa Porter, Corey Prinsen, Delnaz Rabadi, Paulina Rodrigues, Victoria Sammon, Brian Sempowski, Simon Smith, Jake Sousa, Taylor Steele, Andrea Streicher, Rebecca Su, Hannah Sutherland, Sarah Tabbert, Monika Tackaberry, Jaya Tanwani, Mark Taylor, Sara Valiquette, Duncan Vicente, Julia Vidotto, Bhavik Vyas, Tianna Weatherdon, Taylor Whalen, Mikala Wheeler, Jennifer Whittaker, Nicholas Zelizniak

Award winner for best overall average: Tanner Hoffman

Provincial Math Contest Winners were also recognized at the **Honour Roll Ceremony**. **Rebecca Su** was the recipient of both a Medal and a Certificate of Distinction for her performance in the **Fermat Math Contest**. **Rebecca** also wrote the grade 12 **Euclid Math Contest** and received both a Certificate of Distinction and a school medal. For the **2012 Cayley Math Contest**, **Tessa VanZevenberg** received a Certificate of Distinction, and **Chris Kim** received a Certificate of Distinction and a school medal. For the in the **2012 Pascal Math Contest**, **Carter Hoffman** received a school Medal and a Certificate of Distinction, and **Nicholas Best** received a Certificate of Distinction.

NEXT MONTH	
Tues, January 1.....	World Day of Prayer, NEW YEAR'S DAY Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Feast Day
Monday, January 7.....	First Instructional Day of the New Year Holy Cross Semester One Field Trip Moratorium Begins
Monday, January 14.....	National Non-Smoking Week Begins
Wednesday, January 16.....	Gr 11 Vocal Concert Weedless Wednesday OUAC deadline for equal consideration School Mass
Thurs & Fri, Jan 17 & 18	Gr 9 EQAO Mathematics Test
Thursday, Jan 17.....	Memorial Basketball Games Culminating Activities and Review Begins
Tuesday, January 23.....	Last Full Day of Instruction, Sem 1
Thurs – Wed, Jan 24 – 30.....	Exam Days
Friday, February 1	P.A. Day (no classes)
Monday, February 4.....	1 st Full Day of Classes, Semester 2

