



HOLY CROSS

Catholic Secondary School

August 2016

Principal's Message

As summer approaches, we look back on what has been an eventful year at Holy Cross. I'd like to thank our vibrant school community—too many of you to name here—for all the support you have given our staff and students during 2015-2016.

Our graduation ceremony was held June 29th and started with a very well attended and moving celebration of the Mass led by **Father Leo Byrne** at St. Paul the Apostle Church. In the evening, Masters of Ceremonies, Mr. **David Orser** and **Ms. Jennie Melo Jordan**, outlined the influence of pop culture to start the night, while Valedictorian, **Anna Stafford**, ended the evening by reminding our grads about how they have changed in such a short period of time. Our staff collectively wishes the Class of 2016 all the best and the continued blessings in all that they do. For more graduation news, please check www.hctoday.ca.

Our pastoral theme for next year is "Created in God's Image" (Genesis 1). Our goal, to build a stronger community that embraces our diversity while celebrating what we have in common, will be evident throughout the 2016-2017 school year. Watch for the many opportunities we will provide: your participation is what makes it all work.

As noted in previous Newsletters, we are moving to a paperless Student Agenda for 2016-2017. Also, we are migrating information from our old website onto a new one. Students are reminded that if they wish to keep their student files, they must save them to a portable storage device ASAP. Files will be wiped over the summer and then in September students will receive new user ids in the form of a 'digital passport'. There will be growing pains as we make this transition: bear with us.

Another change will be the update to our library space, converting it into a "learning commons" for September. If you are in the area, drop in and check out the progress.

Please accept my sincere 'thank you one and all' for this past year and my prayers for a joy-filled, safe summer with your family. See you in September. **Ian Stuart, Principal**

Staff News

We welcome back to Holy Cross **Ms. Shannon Perugino**, who will be teaching in the Arts and Social Sciences department. To retiring staff Ms. Shelley McLean, Mrs. Karen Lowe, Mr. Nick Brady, and Mrs. Janet Pawliuk, and last-minute retiree, Mr. Sean Murphy, farewell and best wishes. To EAs Marcie Powis, Ted Daniel, Paula Wylie, Joanne Fenlon, and Chris Switzer, good luck as you move to new responsibilities in our Board. On a sad note, we offer condolences to the family of **Mr. Mario Cortis**, teacher-librarian at Holy Cross for many years, who passed away July 2nd, 2016, after a three-year battle with pancreatic cancer.

In Memorium

The entire Holy Cross community offers condolences to Patrick Green, Class of 2016, and his mother, Karen Green, and family, on the tragic passing of his father Patrick Pidgeon, honoured Canadian Forces veteran, Corrections Canada employee, Volunteer Firefighter, who died while fighting a fire on Saturday, July 16th, 2016.

Requiescat in pace.

Summer Hours at HC

Daily, Monday to Thursday,
from 8:30 to 4:00

Closed on Fridays.

Board Shut Down

All school closed for the week
of August 1st to August 5th

Visit our website at www.hctoday.ca



Say goodbye to the HC library and hello to the new Learning Commons. Progress as of July 22nd.

First Year Forty Group Celebrate with Lunch

The spirit of volunteerism is alive and well at Holy Cross, as is evidenced by the large group of students in grade 9 who completed the community involvement requirements of the Ministry of Education Graduation Diploma in one year. **Requirements for the Crusader Certificate are changing.** The bar has been raised. We are now asking students to earn 80 community service hours in four years in order to earn special recognition at graduation, starting with the graduating class of 2019.



Kudos to our own **Mr. Scarpazza** for organizing an excellent presentation in conjunction with his grade 11/12 Tech Design course and Kingston Third Bridge Crossing design project. Guests included: Kingston & the Islands MPP **Sophie Kiwala**, City of Kingston Councillor **Lisa Osanic**, Ontario Ministry of Transportation Engineer **Frank Vanderlaan**, and MTO Structural Engineer **Kaurie Casista**. Guests spoke to Mr. Scarpazza's Tech Design class and Mr. Dusome's Construction class. Each guest spoke about the challenges of design, funding, construction, process, bridges and specifically Kingston's third bridge crossing. In addition, careers in technology were also discussed. Tech Design students had original drawings and models of Kingston's third bridge crossing on display about which they spoke to our guests. Check out HCToday for an article and photos on the event.

Communicating over the summer

Teaching staff are in and out all summer. Voice mail is available, simply call the school and access the voice messaging system. Alternately, please contact the main office. Summer hours for our main office and Student Services are below:

Monday to Thursday, from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

August Dates of Importance

Note the changes to scheduled textbook pick up days by grade from previous years:

Tuesday, August 30th — grades 10, 11, 12 from 9:00 to 3:00;

Wednesday, August 31st — grades 10, 11, 12 from 9:00 to 3:00 and in the evening, for all grades, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm;

Grade 9 Orientation Days, Thursday and Friday, September 1st and 2nd, from 8:30 to 2:30.



Left: The Holy Cross Vocal Music concert was held on June 14th. Students from **Mrs. Check-Drumm**'s class performed individually and as an ensemble. To the left, **Ethan Reid** sings 'Gethsemane' from *Jesus Christ Superstar* and below, the ensemble sings 'Bohemian Rhapsody' by *Queen*.



Attention Returning Students

This is a reminder that student timetables for the 2016- 2017 school year are available online. Students can access their timetable by using the Maplewood Portal on the HC Today website. **Student timetables will not be mailed over the summer.** A copy will be available in the text book room during text book pick up in late August, early September. Student Services staff have worked diligently to have timetable issues resolved, but there are always adjustments that need to be made. In fact, enrolment for September is much stronger than anticipated, so adjustments will be made to balance classes. Please keep in mind that timetabling is fluid as numbers change, teaching assignments will change. What you see now, may not be what you see later!

2016 HOLY CROSS SUMMER UNIFORM SHOP

Additional hours in the Tuck Shop:

Monday, August 22, 10am to 3pm
 Tuesday, August 23, 10am to 3pm
 Wednesday, August 24, 10am to 3pm
 Thursday, August 25, 10am to 3pm
 Monday, August 29, 1pm to 6pm
 Tuesday, August 30, 9:30am to 3pm
 Wednesday, August 31, 9:30am to 3pm
 Thursday, September 1, 2pm to 7pm
 Friday, September 2, 8:30am to 11:30am

The Uniform Shop will re-open on the first day of school (Sept 6th) at 9am to 3pm.

The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Thursday once school starts from 9am to 3pm. You can call directly to the Uniform Shop (613-634-1709) and place an order by M/C, Visa or American Express. Cash and debit must be done in person. The Uniform shop does not accept cheques. Ordering can also be done on-line at www.halperns.ca or by calling the Call Centre at 1-800-668-8261. For Best Selection and To Avoid Back Orders Shop Early.

IF YOU WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE SHOPPING DAY ON JULY 27, YOU CAN VISIT THE UNIFORM SHOP AT HOLY CROSS ORDER ON-LINE AND HAVE ITEMS SHIPPED TO YOUR HOME AT WWW.HALPERNS.CA ORDER BY PHONE THROUGH THE CALL CENTRE AT 1-800-668-8261 (TOLL FREE) AND HAVE ITEMS SHIPPED TO YOUR HOME.

DESCRIPTION=MALE	COLOUR	STYLE	PRICE
Dress Pant Crested	Grey	H1302M-HE	\$44.99
Dress shirt long sleeve Crested	White	H3000E	\$29.99
*Men's Golf Shirt s/s Crested	Hun Grn	H4802E	\$25.49
*Men's Walking Short Crested	Khaki	100M-HE	\$29.99
Socks	Grey or Black	8100M	\$6.95
Tie- 48" 54" 60"	Green/Grey	36245C	\$18.99
Belt	Black	Belt12	\$19.99
Zip Mock Neck Sweater	Hun Grn	H4306ME	\$49.99
DESCRIPTION=FEMALE	COLOUR	STYLE	PRICE
New Dress Stretch Pant Crested	Grey	10SOSX-HE	\$49.99
Dress stretch Pant Crested	Grey	US11350I-HE	\$49.99
Blouse long sleeve Crested	White	H3123E	\$31.99
Blouse short sleeve Crested	White	H3125E	\$29.99
Kilt '	Plaid	6123	\$74.99
Tights (Mandatory with Kilt)	Black	7000L	\$16.95
Zip Mock Neck Sweater	Hun Grn	H4306LE	\$49.99
*Ladies Golf Shirt s/s Crested	Hun Grn	H4821E	\$26.99
*Ladies Walking Short Crested	Khaki	103L-HE	\$29.99
DESCRIPTION=UNISEX	COLOUR	STYLE	PRICE
V-Neck Sweater Crested	Hun Grn	H3400E	\$39.99
Vest Crested	Hun Grn	H3500E	\$34.99
Button Cardigan Crested	Hun Grn	US13320	\$42.99

*Golf shirts and Walking shorts "Spring Uniform" Only in May & June

Contact Us

Check on-line for more information at www.hctoday.ca

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Attention Students and Parents - All Grades

Report cards are available for pick up in the Main Office. The Graduation CD will be included for all recent graduates. **Report cards will not be mailed to homes.** Keep in mind, you may view all marks on-line through Maplewood. Report cards that are not picked up over the summer will be handed out to students in their homeroom



Looking Forward to September

July 27th - Halpern's Uniform Sale in our Cafeteria from 3:30 to 8:00 p.m.

August 30th — Grade 10 to 12, Textbook pick up from 9:00 to 3:00 pm

August 31st— Grade 10 to 12, Textbook pick up, 9:00 to 3:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 pm

September 1st and 2nd—Grade 9 Orientation Days—sign up by calling the school. All grade 9 students are welcome to register. If you cannot commit to the two days, simply drop in when you are able on either of the two days to get organized for the first day of school.

September 6th—the first day of school. Information on classes will be posted in the foyer on the pillars as in years past. See you in uniform for Day # 1!



Members of the OFSSA medalist Senior Boys' Soccer team, led by coaches **Mr. Pat Murphy** and **Mr. Tim Sicoli**. Congratulations also to OFSSA convenors, **Mrs. Joanna Besselink**, **Mrs. Kim Hulton** and **Mr. Paul Melim** for all their work behind the scenes to make the Holy Cross hosted OFSAA Soccer Championship such a success.

News from Holy Cross Catholic School Council

Holy Cross Catholic School Council is pleased to welcome our new Crusaders! We hope you had an opportunity to shop for gently used school uniform items at the annual "Nearly New Sale". This year's sale was held on Wednesday, July 13rd and on Wednesday, July 20th during the day. Funds raised go towards supporting financially needy families in our school community.

Crusaders In Community Service (CICS) Executive

Recently six students were appointed to serve on the Crusaders In Community Service Executive for 2016-2017:

- **Naomi Gazendam, Faith Lollar (Co-Chairs)**
- **Hanna Aikman (Secretary)**
- **Marie Lynch (Communications)**
- **Cici Siju, Hannah Gibbons (Senior Reps)**
- **Kendra Page (Junior Rep)**

These students all have experience working on various social action projects here at Holy Cross and next year they will inspire even more members of our school

community to put their "Faith Into Action". If you have a charitable group or a social action project that you would like to see supported here at Holy Cross please see any member of the CICS` Executive.

Chris Forster, Chaplain, and Jeff Brady, Staff Advisor

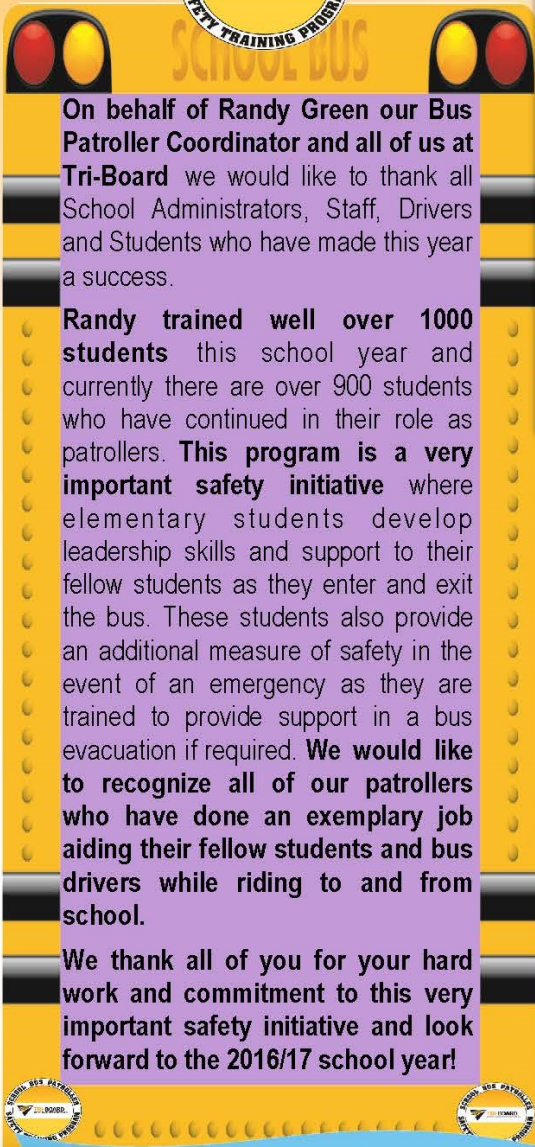
Catholic School Council meets regularly, once per month, in the school library resource centre. All members of the Holy Cross community are cordially invited to attend these meetings. Current projects include planning our annual spring speaker events for students and for parents. Stay tuned for news about 2017.

Are your children returning to Holy Cross in the fall? We'd love to have you join us next year. For further details about meetings, or about Holy Cross Catholic School Council in general, please feel free to contact the school. **Frank Cameron, Chair**



TRI-BOARD TELEGRAM

June 2016



On behalf of Randy Green our Bus Patroller Coordinator and all of us at Tri-Board we would like to thank all School Administrators, Staff, Drivers and Students who have made this year a success.

Randy trained well over 1000 students this school year and currently there are over 900 students who have continued in their role as patrollers. This program is a very important safety initiative where elementary students develop leadership skills and support to their fellow students as they enter and exit the bus. These students also provide an additional measure of safety in the event of an emergency as they are trained to provide support in a bus evacuation if required. We would like to recognize all of our patrollers who have done an exemplary job aiding their fellow students and bus drivers while riding to and from school.

We thank all of you for your hard work and commitment to this very important safety initiative and look forward to the 2016/17 school year!

TB Summer Hours:

Closed Fridays
July/August

OFFICE CLOSED
July 18-29

Bus Planner

BP Web will be offline from JUN 30-AUG 17

Questions?
Bus Planner data: data@triboard.ca
All other inquires: info@triboard.ca

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SUMMER APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS

Students requiring transportation from a new address within their current school attendance area (moving or change of caregiver) may send a Transportation Application Form (found on triboard.ca) directly to info@triboard.ca

Your request will be processed and information sent to you via email. This is only applicable to students currently registered at the school and moving within that school's attendance area.

Any applications that do not meet these criteria will be returned to the parent/guardian indicating that we are unable to process their request and it must be forwarded directly to the school after August 29th, 2016.



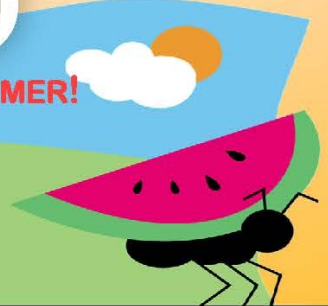
Summer School
Bayridge SS
July 4-29

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CATCH UP WITH TB ON SOCIAL MEDIA THIS SUMMER!

- ⇒ Safety Tips
- ⇒ Did You Know?
- ⇒ Service info
- ⇒ Helpful tips for parents & students



Parents: For Your Information Regarding Fees for September

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITY FEE

GRADE 9	GRADE 10 - 12	GRADE 12 (<i>Graduating</i>)
Student Council ID Card	Student Council ID Card	Student Council ID Card
HC Spirit T-Shirt	HC Spirit T-Shirt	HC Spirit T-Shirt
3 Toonie – Non-Uni Days to support cancer research	3 Toonie – Non-Uni Days to support cancer research	3 Toonie – Non-Uni Days to support cancer research
HC Yearbook	HC Yearbook	HC Yearbook
School Lock for locker		Grad Fee
Total Fee: \$80.00	Total Fee: \$70.00	Total Fee: \$105.00

Please make cheque payable to: Holy Cross CSS. For parents with more than one child at Holy Cross, a reduction of \$5.00 per additional child is available. There is a slight decrease in student activity fees this year due to providing an electronic



TEXTBOOK PICK-UP: A separate textbook deposit cheque in the amount of \$100.00, (post-dated to March 1st, 2017) is required by each student before textbooks can be issued. The student's name should be clearly printed in the memo section of the cheque.

This cheque WILL NOT be cashed if the student's books are returned in good condition at the end of each semester.