



Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, March 20, 2018

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SCHOOL JAM FUNDRAISER!



ORDER FORMS WENT HOME TO EACH FAMILY YESTERDAY. Jam orders are due Wednesday, April 4th. **PLEASE RETURN** all order forms and money to the school **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** The jam will be available for pickup at the school **MAY 9th and 10th**. Families are responsible for picking up their orders as well as for distributing the jam to their customers. Please make a special effort to sell the jam as well as to return the orders and money to the office as soon as possible. Thank you for your support of this fundraiser.

JUNIOR BASKETBALL



A congratulations is in order for the Junior Polar Bears basketball team who participated in the annual basketball skills competition at York River Public School. Their hard work and dedication allowed them to place second overall for the competition. The highlight of the tournament was when the team combined for 28 shots made in the free throw competition placing them first in the event. The team was also, by far, the most spirited group as they loudly cheered on their teammates in every event. I would like to thank each player for their participation and the amount of effort they put into practice on a daily basis.

Mr. Cousins

SENIOR BASKETBALL



On Monday, March 5th, the Senior Boys Basketball Team travelled to St. Theresa's for the yearly tournament.



We won our first few games by quite a lot of points which got us into the finals, and we won the A final game by quite a lot too. Let's just say we played very well. We are very happy to have won the A Championship, and we also showed good sportsmanship. We thank Mr. Fitzgerald for coaching our team, and we thank Mr. Rumleski for teaching us basketball skills and running us through drills. We would also like to thank Mr. Norm McDowell for providing both the boys' team and the girls' team with pizza from Topper's Pizza in Belleville. Overall it was a great, fun day, and everyone got to participate.

Tanner P.



The Senior Girls had a blast at their Basketball Tournament. We played and grew closer as a team. We never let the scores bring us down and had a wicked dance party in the locker room. After the bus picked us up, we went to Toppers Pizza. All of us had an amazing time at the Basketball Tournament.

Jordyn Y



Dear Parents/Guardians, our classroom teachers from Kindergarten to Grade Six have been working with FreshGrade as a tool to document the learning of our students and their experiences – photos, comments, and other educational artifacts in “All About Me” portfolios.

You will recall in the Spring of 2017 that you were asked to sign a consent form (as required under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)) for your child's work to be included in these electronic portfolios. At that time, you were asked for your email so that your child's portfolio could be viewed by you and you would then have the ability to comment on your child's work.

Earlier in the school year you were sent an email from FreshGrade (notifications@freshgrade.com) that is entitled: **Welcome to “???” Portfolio**. We have noted that not as many parents have taken the opportunity to view and/or comment on their children's work as we would have expected. We believe that there is a very real possibility that the invitation went to your junk mail and/or you deleted it in error. We have also learned that should you not act on the invitation in a timely manner that the links to the portfolio will expire.

So the teachers have already or soon will be re-inviting you to view your child's portfolio. We ask that you accept the invitation and take the time to view and comment on your child's work. **Please know that for every comment that you make on your child's work / portfolio in the next week (i.e., between today and the end of Easter Monday), we will enter your name in a draw for one of three \$10 Tim Hortons gift cards.**



WORKSHOP

6:30 P.M.

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2018

A reminder to please be sure to send back your permission/registration form if your family would like to participate in our Easter Crafts workshop this Thursday.

**OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH
EASTER MASS SCHEDULE**



Holy Thursday
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:00 p.m.

Good Friday
Stations of the Cross
2:15 p.m.
&
Celebration of the Lord's Passion
3:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil – Saturday Evening
7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday
9:00 a.m.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING
UPDATED IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION**

Notices went home before March Break to parents of students whose immunization information is incomplete or not updated. **PLEASE NOTE:** If you received a "suspension" notice from the Health Unit it is the parent's responsibility to communicate any updates directly to the Public Health Unit. The school is not responsible for forwarding this information on your behalf.



TO OUR GRADE SEVEN PARENTS

Thank you to the Grade Seven parents who have already submitted their money towards our 2018 graduation ceremony. Just a reminder to please send in your donation of

\$25.00 as soon as possible. It is very much appreciated. **You can make this payment online if you have registered for SCHOOL CASH ONLINE.** Please look for the "Grade 7 Pre-payment for Graduation", as the item.



Milk cards are available on-line, (as are pizza orders, on a monthly basis). To register for online purchases, please see our website, and scroll down to School News to "Register Now".



"All God's Creatures Great and Small"

Please continue to send in your photos of you with your furry friend. We are continuing this initiative which is a collaborative effort between the Lifestart Inside Group and the Faith Life Committee, **until the end of March.** For each photo submission, please send a monetary donation to help raise funds to care for animals in our community. All monies collected will be donated to Home Again.

Project Prom Coming to N.H.H.S.



Prom Project makes gently-used formal wear (dresses, suits & accessories), for girls and boys. The clothing is provided **free of charge** and yours to keep. The shopping event will be held on **APRIL 4th from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.** at North Hastings High School gymnasium.