



Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, October 30, 2018

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A **HUGE THANK YOU** to our wonderful volunteers who, once again, made the Spaghetti Lunch a great success! **To our Cooking, Serving and Kitchen Clean-up Volunteers:** BOBBI-JO BODDEN, ANGELA BRETHOUR, LAURA HETU, HEATHER PARKS, TANYA STOREY, RENEE WEALCH & DAWNICA ZHEN. **To the following who made spaghetti sauce:** LORI CANNON, PAT FLAGLER EDWARDS, LAURA HETU, MARY-ANN HICKS, JAKI McARTHUR, MELANIE PORTER & LINDSAY WHITE: **To DARLENE STOREY and her helpers for the gym set-up and clean-up:** WESLEY B., AARON C., McKAYLA C., KELLY CRICK, OWEN P., KAIDEN W., ETHAN W., & CAMERON W.

SCHOOL BUS PATROLLER TRAINING



Our Student School Bus Patroller Training will be held here at O.L.M **TOMORROW MORNING.**

DRESS PURPLE DAY



You Are Not Alone! OLM students and staff speak up by wearing purple for Purple Shirt Day and supporting 'BREAK THE SILENCE' for Kids across Ontario.

N.H.H.S. HALLOWE'EN CONCERT



Na-na-na-na! Hey-hey-hey, goodbye! **HUGE THANK YOU** to the NHHS BANDS FOR HYPING OUR STUDENTS UP FOR HALLOWEEN with an afternoon concert. Lots of dancing, singing and joy!



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ANNUAL TERRY FOX RUN



A **HUGE THANK YOU** to our students, staff, parents and community members who supported our Terry Fox Fun on September 27th. The results have been tallied, and through the generous donations collected, our school has raised **\$3,537.85** towards the Terry Fox Foundation. The classroom and students that collected the most donations will be announced on October 31st at our assembly. Congratulations to all who participated in this year's Terry Fox Run!

*Christina Balemba
Grade 7/8 Teacher
Terry Fox Run Co-ordinator*



The Faith Life Committee is hosting a Hallowe'en Dance TOMORROW.

The Primary Dance – K's to Gr. 3 will take place from 11:00 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

The Grade 4 – 8 Dance will take place from 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Admission is 50 cents in costume, \$1.00 with no costume. Pop and chips will be sold during the Junior/Intermediate dance (Pop \$1.00 and Chips \$1.00).



REMEMBRANCE DAY POSTER AND LITERARY CONTEST

Our students in Grades 4 to 8 will be working on their submissions for this year's Remembrance Day Contest. All submissions are due no later than **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd**.

School Mass



Friday, November 2nd
9:00 a.m.
(Please come and join us!)



LOCKDOWN DRILL

The safety of our student is our number one priority. In partnership with the local OPP, we conduct two school lockdown drills each school year. A school lockdown alerts staff and students that an imminent danger exists inside or just outside the school. School personnel lock classroom doors and windows. Students and staff move away from the windows and doors and remain in their classrooms until directed by emergency personnel that it is safe to leave. Preparing for a possible emergency helps provide clarity to students and staff about their role and assurances that there are practiced steps they can take for their safety. We will be having our first drill on **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2nd** in the afternoon.



PROGRESS REPORTS, (and IEPs as applicable), will be coming home **NOVEMBER 6th**, for Kindergarten to Grade 8.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS & GUARDIANS



Some of the teaching staff have noted that parents are asking for their email or asking to be a friend on social media platforms.

Please know that the teachers have been strongly discouraged by their union from entering into electronic communication with parents using email or social media.

Please also know that should you attempt to contact teachers using email or social media that they will not be responding to either your messages or requests. Please continue to reach out to staff via phone calls or notes to them, as well as to comment on your child's work via FreshGrade.

If you do need to email us (e.g., a photo has been requested), please send your communication to flhpomer@alcdsb.on.ca and we will forward the information to the appropriate member of staff in a timely fashion.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



PIZZA DAY IS THIS THURSDAY

REMEMBRANCE DAY



We will be having a Liturgy & Prayer Service as well as pausing to observe a minute of silence on **NOVEMBER 9th**. Poppies will soon be available in the school office for students to purchase. **Please remember our contributions directly support Canada's serving and retired Veterans and their families, while ensuring Canada Never Forgets.**

PICTURE RETAKE DAY



Picture retakes will be taken on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12th**. Also Sibling pictures will be taken on this day (only with written request from parents prior to picture day).



FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

We are in the final stages of completing our "Twelve Days of Christmas" annual raffle. Additional information will be coming home soon!

FUN FRENCH FACTS

DID YOU KNOW?

Approximately 60% of English words are of either French origin or Latin origin words that also exist in French!

Encourage your child to be a lifelong learner of French!