



# Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, November 13, 2018

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To **MRS. COLE'S JK/SK CLASS** for raising the most money for this year's Terry Fox Run. They have won a free Pizza Party (date T.B.A.). The following are the top fundraisers from each class: **LANDON R.; CARLEIGH B.; BRIANNA C.; ADDIE M.; EMMETT S.; LIAM C.; MATTHEW S.; and MEGAN J.** These students will also be included in the Pizza Party.

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

### BUS SAFETY PRESENTATIONS



**Intertrain** will be coming to our school **THIS THURSDAY** for Bus Safety Presentations. The K-3 student presentation will feature 'Buster The Bus' beginning at 1:30 p.m. and the 4-8 student presentation will feature a 'Game Show Format' beginning at 2:15 p.m.



**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR OCTOBER STUDENT MERIT AWARD WINNERS!**

### *School Council Meeting*



**IS TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 p.m.**  
(All are welcome to attend.)

### SENIOR VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENTS



The Board-sponsored Senior Volleyball Tournaments will be held on **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>** (alternate date is Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>) in Belleville.



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The Senior Boys' Team will be playing at Nicholson Catholic College and the Girls' Team will be playing at St. Theresa Catholic Secondary School. Additional information and permission forms will be coming home with the team members.

*Ms. Balemba & Mr. Cousins, Team Coaches*



Our next Pizza Day is on  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**FREE SPAGHETTI LUNCH**



School Council will be offering a Free Spaghetti Lunch for ALL students on  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28<sup>th</sup>.**

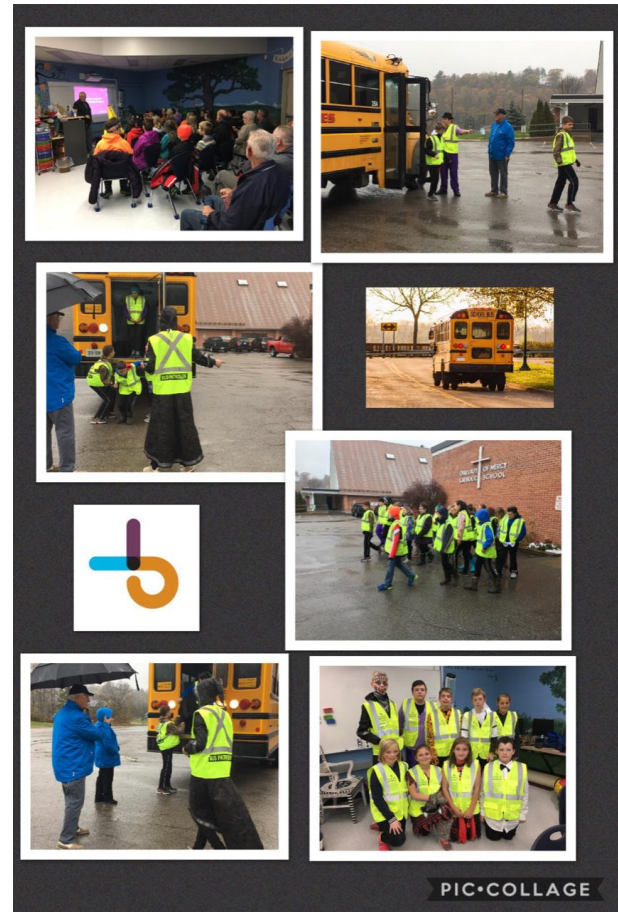
**Advent Wreath Workshop**  
Make your own Advent Wreath



Please join us in our workshop on **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29<sup>th</sup>**, from 6:30 until 8:00 p.m. as we learn more about Advent, and make our own fresh cedar Advent Wreaths. The workshop will be held in the gymnasium at OLM. Please bring your children! The wreaths are simple, quick and fun to make. Cost is \$13.00 per wreath. Sign up forms went home on November 7<sup>th</sup> and we ask that you return the form by November 23<sup>rd</sup> if you wish to participate. **PLEASE NOTE** that payment for the Advent Workshop is also available on our School Cash Net Website.

For more information, please contact *Lori Cannon* or *Tara McEnergy* at the school.

**BUS PATROLLER TRAINING DAY**



Students from Our Lady of Mercy C.S. and York River Public School came together for Bus Patroller Training. Thank you to Randy Green and Nicole Aubertin of TriBoard and R & L Bus Lines for providing this valuable experience for our your leaders.



The **SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR** is fast approaching. The Fair will run from **MONDAY, DECEMBER 3 to FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7** in the Learning Commons.

Students can shop during recess. As well, the Book Fair will be open Monday to Thursday from 8:30-8:45 and 3:15 to 3:45 for families and parents to visit the fair.

*All proceeds from the book fair benefit our school Learning Commons.*



**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30<sup>th</sup>**

Staff will be involved in Professional Development Workshops both on and off site.

### *Christmas Calendar Raffle*



The Raffle Ticket Sales are well underway. Please return all sold and/or unsold tickets no later than **MONDAY, DECEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Thank you all for your participation in this annual fundraising event.

### **INCLEMENT WEATHER BUS DELAYS & CANCELLATIONS**



Parents of bussed students are reminded to review/update their emergency contact information with the school and listen to local radio stations for bus delays/cancellations. Parents can also log onto the Transportation Department's website at [www.triboard.on.ca](http://www.triboard.on.ca), look at "Is My Bus Running" at the top left side of the webpage. Select a school and view the status of all routes into that school OR

type in a bus number and view the status of that individual bus route. Click on the "sign up" area on our home page (upper right area of home page) to receive an email/text notification of cancellations/delays affecting the bus you sign up for.

### *Remembrance Day Liturgy & Prayer Service*



We are very proud of all our young students who participated in our Remembrance Day Liturgy Service last Friday.

### **SANTA'S GIFT SHOP RETURNS**

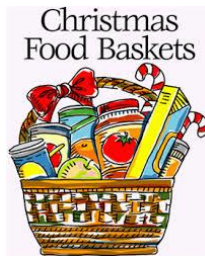


**DECEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>**

The children in our school will have the opportunity to do their Christmas shopping again this year at Santa's Workshop. Starting the week of December 3<sup>rd</sup>, we are asking parents and students to start gathering donations. Any clean, gently used items that could be given as Christmas gifts, including toys, books, games and/or any item that would be appropriate for adults. The children will be buying items to give to their parents and siblings as gifts. As the items are given for gifts, it would be very much appreciated that

all items donated be as clean as possible. We often have a shortage of “Dad Themed” items so any donations that would be appropriate for “him” would be appreciated.

**All purchases are 25 cents each. We do ask that donations not be dropped off before December 3<sup>rd</sup> as our storage space is limited.**



### *Seats for Eats*

### *Campaign Coming Soon*

Watch for more information about “Seats For Eats” at our Christmas Concert.

**BRRRRR!**



Winter is here! Please be reminded that outdoor recess during the lunch period is 40 minutes and there can also be a lengthy wait at the end of the day for individual buses to arrive. Please be sure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor play at school; snow pants; warm, water-proof gloves/mittens, warm scarves & hats; and of course, boots. It is also a good idea to send in extra pairs of dry mittens and socks.

### **ELECTRONIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS**



**PLEASE NOTE** that if you are signed up to receive electronic newsletters and calendars, the Board Office has advised us that due to recent email issues the Board has been

experiencing, the [o365@alcdsb.on.ca](mailto:o365@alcdsb.on.ca) account that is used to send out newsletters gets blocked periodically. In an effort to eliminate this issue the Board has changed the email address the newsletter comes from to the school flhp email at [flhpomer@alcdsb.on.ca](mailto:flhpomer@alcdsb.on.ca).

If you are not signed up and wish to receive electronic copies of the bi-monthly newsletter and monthly calendar, you can do so by going to our school website at <http://schools.alcdsb.on.ca/omer> and enter your email address. After you have signed up please let the office know and we will cancel the paper copies going home to your family.