



Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, November 12, 2019

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OCTOBER MERIT AWARDS



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

School Council Meeting




**TONIGHT
at 6:30 p.m.**

(All are welcome to attend.)

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE



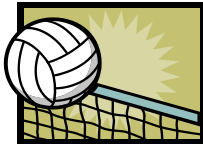
 We will remember them. Nous nous souviendrons d'eux. Staff and students came together for Remembrance Day to honour the sacrifice of veterans and to pray for continued peace in our world. [#RemembranceDay2019](https://twitter.com/RemembranceDay2019)
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SENIOR VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENTS



The Board-sponsored Senior Volleyball Tournaments will be held on **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21st** in Belleville. The Senior Boys' Team will be playing at St. Theresa Catholic Secondary School and the Girls' Team will be playing at Nicholson Catholic College. Good Luck to the teams!

Ms. Balemba & Mrs. Ronholm, Team Coaches



Our Pizza Days for November will be on November 14th and November 28th. Please consider using CASH online to pay for pizza.

FREE SPAGHETTI LUNCH



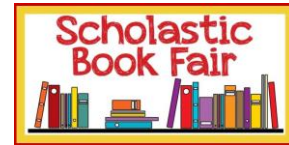
School Council will be offering a Free Spaghetti Lunch for **ALL** students tomorrow **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13th**.

Advent Wreath Workshop Make your own Advent Wreath



Please join us in our workshop on **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28th**, 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 \$15.00 per wreath. Sign up forms went home on November 8th and we ask that you return the form by November 21st if you wish to participate. **PLEASE NOTE that payment for the Advent Workshop is also available on our School Cash Online Website.**



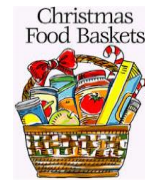
Our Scholastic Book Fair is fast approaching. The Fair will run from Monday, December 2 to Friday, December 6th in the Learning Commons. Students can shop during recess, as well, the Book Fair will be open Monday to Thursday from 8:30 - 8:45 and 3:15 to 3:45 for families and parents to visit the fair.

All proceeds from the Book Fair benefit our school Learning Commons.

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, 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.



FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

We are currently sold out of tickets at the school. **PLEASE RETURN ANY UNSOLD TICKETS ASAP.** All tickets need to be returned no later than **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH**. Thank you all for your participation in this annual fundraising event.

Seats for Eats

Campaign Coming Soon

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

BRRRRR!



SANTA’S GIFT SHOP RETURNS



DECEMBER 6th

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 2nd, 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 2nd as our storage space is limited.

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.

ALGONQUIN AND LAKESHORE CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD SURVEY

We Want To Hear From You!

Help us build the future of Catholic education through this quick survey!

Your participation is important to how we move forward with a Multi-Year Strategic Plan.

The Multi-Year Strategic Plan is the Board's way of ensuring that our students continue to receive quality faith-based education and prepare them to be caring and contributing members of their community.

The Multi-Year Strategic Plan is comprised of strategic directions and initiatives, which are constantly being reviewed and checked by senior administration to ensure that these continue to meet the Board's goal of quality Catholic education.

As we embark on creating a new Multi-Year Strategic Plan, we want your input!

You will be asked to share your thoughts on one open-ended question.

To join the conversation, visit www.alcidsb.on.ca and complete our survey through Thoughtexchange.

Thank you for your participation.



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The next P.A. Day will be Friday, November 29th.

Your input is valuable to our Students’ Success. Please consider the answering a short survey. Postcards were sent home awhile ago. **Survey ends November 15th.**