



# Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, November 26, 2019

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## OUR SPAGHETTI LUNCHEON



Great day of Sr. Volleyball on November 21<sup>st</sup> at @nccschool and @StTSecondary for our intermediate students. Congrats to the Boys for their win as “B Champs” and to the girls for a strong showing! @ALCDSB\_ACW @alcdsb

## A SPECIAL BREAKFAST



Thank you to our wonderful School Council & volunteers – Renee, Bobbi-Jo, Lindsay, Angie, Lisa, Heather & Tanya for the delicious spaghetti lunch we enjoyed on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to our Eco-Schools team for washing our forks to help reduce waste. @EcoSchoolsCAN @alcdsb

## SENIOR VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT



Thank you to Vicky & Kellie of @food4learning for coming to us on November 20<sup>th</sup> & providing a Community Breakfast. Thank you also to the chef & team from @batawaskihill for the delicious spread. The students loved trying some new treats such as sea weed & olives – who knew? @alcdsb





**FUNDRAISING RAFFLE**

We are currently sold out of tickets at the school. **PLEASE RETURN ANY UNSOLD TICKETS ASAP.** All tickets need to be returned by this **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>**. Thank you all for your participation in this annual fundraising event.

The Scholastic Book Fair is fast approaching. The fair will run from **Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> to Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** in the Learning Commons. Students can shop during recess. As well, the book fair will be open Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30-8:45 and Tuesday and Wednesday from 3:15 to 3:45 for families and parents to visit the fair.

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

**Advent Wreath Workshop**



**IS THIS THURSDAY  
6:30 p.m. UNTIL 8:00 p.m.**



**OUR PIZZA DAY IS THIS THURSDAY**

**SANTA'S GIFT SHOP RETURNS**



**DECEMBER 6<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 2<sup>nd</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 2<sup>nd</sup> as our storage space is limited.

**PA  
Day**

**The next P.A. Day will be THIS FRIDAY**

**BOOK FAIR IS COMING**



## DECEMBER SCHOOL MASS



**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00 a.m.**  
**(Please come and join us.)**

Christmas  
Food Baskets



### *Seats for Eats Campaign Coming Soon*

Watch for more information about “Seats For Eats” at our Christmas Concert. Forms will be coming home today and are due by December 10<sup>th</sup>.



### **PEDICULOSIS (HEAD LICE) CONTROL**

We have been informed by some families that head lice have been found.

Please be vigilant in checking your children on a regular basis. If you discover evidence of lice, please inform the school immediately and we will continue to check here at school as well.

Head lice feed on blood and cement their eggs, commonly called nits, to strands of hair at the scalp. The nits take approximately 7-10 days to hatch. The bite of a louse causes itching, which can be aggravated and infected by scratching. If you find evidence of head lice or nits, information about how to remove them is available from your **family doctor, health unit and most pharmacies.**

## BRRRRR!



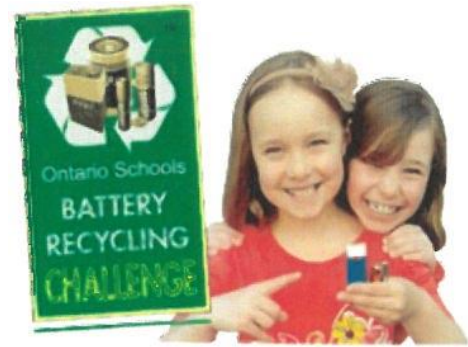
Winter is here! Please be reminded that outdoor recess during the lunch period is 40 minutes and there can also be a lengthy wait at the end of the day for individual buses to arrive. Please be sure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor play at school; snow pants; warm, water-proof gloves/mittens;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

### **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.

# GET INVOLVED MAKE A DIFFERENCE



## DEAR PARENTS,

Your child's school has signed up for the Ontario Schools Battery Recycling Challenge (OSBRC) by Raw Materials Company. The Challenge officially starts on October 21, 2019 (Waste Reduction Week) and runs until April 22, 2020 (Earth Day). The Challenge is bigger and better than ever, and every school has a chance to walk away with a prize!

## WHAT IS THE OSBRC?

The OSBRC is a recycling competition between 200 elementary and secondary schools across Ontario. Its purpose is to teach children and their families about the proper way to handle, store and recycle batteries at home and at school. Since 2014, OSBRC schools have recycled more than 8 million single-use batteries. The OSBRC prize pool has paid out more than \$80,000 to winning schools and every year, 10% is donated to the SickKids Children's Hospital.

## STUDENT MISSIONS

With your consent, your child can sign up for Student Missions. If they complete 3 missions they will be entered into a draw for one of ten \$50 VISA Gift Cards. If they complete all 5 missions by Family Day, they'll have a chance to win a family trip to Great Wolf Lodge in Niagara Falls! We also added three bonus missions this year to give students extra chances to win! For more information and to register, please visit:

[www.rawmaterials.com/ontario-school-recycling-challenge/student/](http://www.rawmaterials.com/ontario-school-recycling-challenge/student/)

## YOU CAN HELP!

Collect single-use alkaline batteries from your home, family, friends and work. Before you send them to school, please tape the terminals on all 6V, 9V and button cell batteries. To learn more about how to store batteries in your home and how to prepare them for recycling, please visit: [www.rawmaterials.com/page/education/prepare-batteries/](http://www.rawmaterials.com/page/education/prepare-batteries/)

Primary single-use alkaline batteries only. Alkaline batteries come in common sizes including AA, AM, C, D, 6V, 9V and button cell. Primary "lithium" and rechargeable batteries are not part of this program. To recycle them and all other types, please visit [makethedrop.ca](http://makethedrop.ca)

Sincerely,

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