



Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, October 17, 2017

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Congratulations to Deliah S., Abby E., Austin H., Elizabeth C., Mallory H., Jasmine C., Clorissa N. Cayte S., Tisha C., Marlow B. and Jack S., who received training Wednesday, October 4th to prepare them for their roles as Bus Patrollers. Their role is to: assist smaller children and help keep the bus a safe place; kindly remind students to follow the rules; inform the bus driver if there are any problems; and to assist the bus driver if they are asked. They were also trained in emergency and evacuation procedures.

Joanne Prentice



Student photos (Kindergarten to Grade 8) will be taken on **Monday, October 23rd**. Sibling pictures **WILL NOT BE TAKEN ON THIS DAY.** They will be taken on retake day, Monday, Nov. 14th. There will be a form sent home for sibling pictures.

**Reminder: Draft IEPs are coming home today.
(As applicable)**



Dress Purple on October 24th
In support of Children's Rights to Safety
and Well-being!

PIZZA DAY



Pizza day is **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26th**, order forms are coming home today.

ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS

If you require a Police Check to be a volunteer at our school, please come to the school office with your identification. Please know we need to see you in person to verify your identity on the form.

REMINDER
October 27th, 2017 - Faith PA Day
Staff will be engaged in
Professional Development off site.



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BEST FOOT FORWARD

On Friday, October 6 the Best Foot Forward Environmental Education Conference brought together delegates from Eco Schools teams across the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board. Our Lady of Mercy School was invited to bring 3 student delegates to represent our school's Eco-School Team. Abby, Leah, and Anthony were happy to take on this role on behalf of the team and enjoyed a wonderful day of learning at the H.R. Frink Outdoor Education Centre in Belleville. Students learned and laughed through their activities which included a performance by the Paddling Puppeteers, Metis Jigging, an interactive presentation by the Canadian Raptor Conservancy and others. Students also proudly received, on behalf of Our Lady of Mercy School, our new gold sticker for our Eco-Schools Plaque to bring back to the school. Based on our work last year Our Lady of Mercy has achieved Gold Certification as an Ontario EcoSchool!

Beaver Scouts and Cub Scouts

There is information available in the office or online at www.scouts.ca

Halloween Candy Guess

How many do you see? How many can there be? Guess how many candies are in the Jar, whoever is the closest wins the PRIZE! The Faith Life Committee is having a HALLOWEEN CANDY GUESS. Cost of a GUESS is 25 cents. Guessing begins Tuesday October 17th and winners will be announced on Thursday October 26th.



The Faith Life Committee is hosting a Halloween Dance October 31st

The Primary Dance – K's to Gr. 3 will take place from 11:00 to 11:30

Grades 4 – 8 Dance: 1:00 – 2:30

Pop and chips will be sold during the dance.

Admission is 50 cents in costume, \$1.00 with no costume. Pop will be \$1.00, and chips will be \$1.00.

Permission slips will be coming home soon.



Senior Girls' Soccer

The girls' soccer team had an amazing experience at Thurlow Fields in Belleville on Friday, October 6. The team showed incredible stamina by playing four games of soccer without any extra players for substitutions! The girls' faced tough competition and despite not winning any games, they all had a great day! Congratulations on a fantastic effort, girls!

Senior Boys' Soccer

The boys' senior soccer team travelled to Thurlow Fields in Belleville on Friday, October 6th. The first game we lost to Sacred Heart 2-1. We were victorious in the second game by a larger margin. We lost the third game in a shoot-out., even though one of our players kicked a field goal. . We waited a long time for results to determine our place in the "B" finals. We won that game 3-0, ending the tournament on a good note. The whole team would like to thank Mrs. Crawford for bringing us fruit and snacks for our breaks.