

Holy Rosary Catholic School

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2018



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WELCOME to Mrs. MacInnis

We are excited to welcome Mrs. Kathleen MacInnis to our front office this month. We have been looking forward to her arrival and invite you to drop by and introduce yourself in the coming weeks.



HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL IS COMPLETELY ONLINE NOW FOR ALL PURCHASES!

Simply visit <https://alcdsb.schoolcashionline.com/> and register to pay all school fees online. No more hunting for change for milk or pizza or trying to find a cheque to write for a school trip. It's really easy to do. Get started today!

The screenshot shows the 'School Cash Online' website. At the top, there are navigation links: HOME, ITEMS, ABOUT US, SUPPORT. The main heading reads 'Paying for school items just got easier! Sign up to get started today.' Below this, there is a section titled 'What is School Cash Online?' with a sub-heading 'School Cash Online is an easy to use and safe way to pay for your children's school fees.' and a 'Learn more' link. To the right of this text is an image of orange sneakers. Below the text are two buttons: 'Get Started Today' and 'Sign Into Your Account'. The background of the page features a school bag, a calculator, and various school-related icons like 'Learn', 'A+', 'Read', and '1+1=2'. At the bottom, there are sections for 'Best In Class Security Gives You The Best Protection' (listing CSAE 3416 Certified, PCI Compliant, and SSAE 16 Certified) and 'Why Use School Cash Online?' (listing benefits like Convenient, Easy To Use, Safe, and Saves Time).

Effective Monday, January 15th, milk and pizza orders will **ONLY be available online**. We are now a cashless school. If you registered your email address with the school on your child(ren)'s student information forms back in September, you will have now received an email from the school with the ordering information for both milk and pizza.

MILK CARDS ARE AVAILABLE at 13 milk cartons for \$10 or 26 for \$20. Milk will continue to be delivered to students on a daily basis but will only be available via milk cards and no longer available for purchase on a daily basis.

PIZZA will only be available for ordering on a monthly basis. Orders must be in by midnight on the first Tuesday of every month. After that, the option to purchase pizza will disappear from the ordering screen.

If you have any questions about how to register, simply call the school office and speak to Mrs. MacInnis for assistance.



All students in **Grade 7** will be taking part in a **Confirmation Retreat** at Holy Rosary Catholic Church on **January 17th**. The Retreat is led by the CWL. Lunch will be provided. Students need only bring indoor shoes. Snowdate is January 18th.

As well, all students in **Grade 2** will be taking part in a **First Communion Retreat** at Holy Rosary Catholic Church on **January 15th**. The Retreat is led by the CWL. Lunch will be provided. Students need only bring indoor shoes. Snowdate is January 17th.



HOLY ROSARY'S 3rd ANNUAL DANCE-A-THON!!!



Information and pledge sheets will go home with all students on January 26th. All money raised will go directly to supporting our students in their curricular and extracurricular activities.

The Dance-a-thon will take place on February 9th!

There are prizes for top fundraisers, top class, early-bird prizes, and a grand prize of a "Family Night Out" (dinner and the movies). Every \$5.00 donated earns a ballot toward great prizes. If you have items you would like to

donate for prizes, please drop them off at the office. If you are able to volunteer on the day of the dance-a-thon (any amount of time), leave a message with Mrs. Ackerman at the office. Please return all pledge sheets to the school (even if unused) by February 9th.

SAVE THE DATE



Holy Rosary Catholic School
Graduation
Monday, June 25th, 2017

GRADUATION PHOTOS



Tuesday, March 6th in the morning
Sibling photos also taken this day

So much exciting news to share...we are moving to an online booking system for parent-teacher interviews. Parents will be able to book interviews at times that are convenient to them, on a "first come-first served" basis with the new system. Watch for more information to come home in the next couple of weeks.

ORAL HEALTH SCHOOL SCREENING NOTIFICATION

Date of Screening: January 25th & 26th, 2018

Dental Screenings are being conducted at your child's school for:

- Students in Grades JK, SK & 2, including those with special education needs.
- Students in Grades 4, 6 & 8 may also be screened.
- Any student as requested by the child/parent.

IMPORTANT:

- Parents who do not wish to have their child screened are required to advise the school, in writing, each school year before the scheduled screening date.
- Selected students with urgent treatment needs may be rescreened at a later date.

Each child in the target group described above will receive an Oral Health School Screening Report Card.

This screening should **NOT** replace your child's regular visit to the dentist.

For more Information contact
Hastings Prince Edward Public Health:
Phone: 613-966-5500 Toll-free: 1-800-267-2803
TTY: 711 or 1-800-267-6511

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Raising Healthy Kids



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SUPPORT CATHOLIC EDUCATION - Catholic parents, guardians, electors and supporters are encouraged to continue to ensure that they are registered as English-Separate Supporters. The support of residential ratepayers is directly linked to attendance rights and indicates a firm commitment to the system essential to maintaining the existence of Catholic schools in Ontario. If you are not listed as a Separate School Supporter and wish to remedy this please visit our web site

www.alcddb.on.ca and choose the link named "Direction of Tax Support" for information. Thank you!

BUS SAFETY AND LOADING ZONE

To maintain a high standard of safety for our students while travelling on the school bus, we ask that all parents be aware of the rules of conduct for our students. You, as parents, can assist us immeasurably by being aware of the regulations and making sure your children understand and follow them. **Riding the bus is a privilege.**



This privilege may be withdrawn if a student behaves in a manner that threatens his/her safety or the safety of others. Let's work together to protect all of our students. For information on bussing, Tri-Board Student Transportation's website is www.triboard.on.ca. Please sign and return all pink incident slips from bus drivers to the office the next day.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Students leaving early: The end of the school day is a very busy time. Lessons are wrapping up, often with vital information being imparted to complete assignments. Homework is being packed away. Reminders about the next day are being shared. Agendas are being written. It is essential that students remain for the entire instructional time until 3:10. We respectfully request that parents refrain from picking their children up “just 5 or 10 minutes early”, as it disrupts teaching time, interrupts instructions in the classroom and often means students miss information they need to have. Please also understand that gathering in the office or foyer of the school to wait for children creates confusion and can be quite noisy in an area where Mrs. MacInnis is still working. For the safety of our students, we ask that adults wait outside in the parking lot until dismissal after the last recess at 3:30.

Contact Information: Please ensure your contact information and emergency contact numbers are up-to-date. In order for the ‘Safe Arrival Program’ to function effectively, we must be able to reach a parent/guardian if you have not called the absence in. It is also imperative that we are able to reach parents should there be an emergency.

Late Arrivals: Please be reminded that school begins each day at 9:15. We recognize that late arrivals cannot always be avoided if a student has an appointment or if there is a transportation problem, but arriving late should not be a regular occurrence. First and foremost, students arriving late are missing important instructional time in their classrooms but it also affects the other students whose learning is interrupted with each late arrival. We thank you for your efforts in ensuring your child arrives by 9:15.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS WITH VULNERABLE SECTOR

Believe it or not, school trips are already happening and we are always in need of volunteers to accompany us. In order for adults (including grandparents) to volunteer on school trips or within the school, we must have an **original** Criminal Background Check with Vulnerable Sector on file at the school. The school will provide you with a letter to obtain this check. There is a fee associated with getting a check from the Belleville Police Services or Picton OPP.

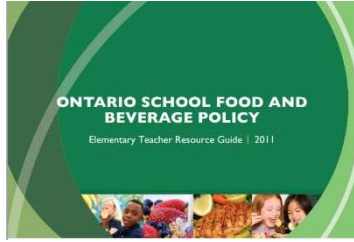


PEDICULOSIS (HEAD LICE)

Parents are asked to frequently check their child's head for pediculosis. We are appreciative of the parent calls to the school informing us of any findings of head lice. Should your child have head lice, you will be notified by school personnel and asked to treat your child's hair. **The child may return to school the next day if there is no evidence of nits.** Information about how to remove them is available from your **family doctor, board website, health unit and most pharmacies.** Letters to parents will be sent home if head lice are present in their child's classroom so that they can keep a close eye out. Please remember that head lice are a social nuisance and not a health hazard. However, they are very difficult to get rid of and your cooperation in notifying us is greatly appreciated.

HEALTHY AND ACTIVE SCHOOLS

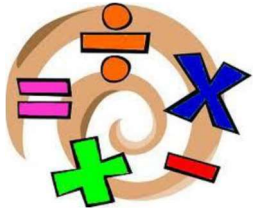
Holy Rosary school staff are diligent about protecting student health and safety by reminding parents to refrain from sending in food such as cupcakes or candy for school celebrations, including birthdays and special holidays.



Parents may want to acknowledge their child's special day with themed pencils or stickers. This also allows parents of students with severe allergies to rest at ease, knowing that food that could possibly contain allergens won't be consumed by their child. The Ministry of Education's School Food and Beverage Policy (PPM 150) is a step in creating healthier schools. Educating students and parents about healthy eating will also translate into healthier citizens, contributing to a reduction in chronic diseases such as heart disease, type 2 diabetes, and certain types of cancers.

Please note that any treats sent to school for sharing that do not meet the standards of PPM 150 will be returned home. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us help your children become healthy, active, and contributing citizens.

Math Homework Help



Students from grades 7 to 10 can get free online math tutoring through the Ontario Ministry of Education's Homework Help website at <https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org/>. Tutors will be available Sundays through Thursdays from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. Your child will need his/her OEN (Ontario Education Number), which can be found at the top of the report card, in order to register at this site.

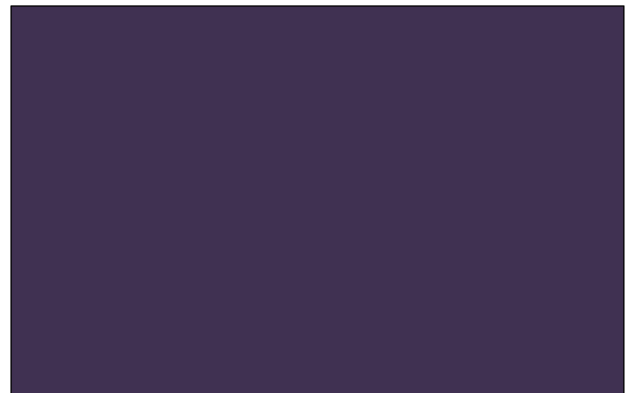
SCHOOL COUNCIL MONTHLY UPDATE

Up and coming Events

WINTER SEMI-FORMAL DANCE!!! Friday, January 19th, 2018 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm at St. Theresa Catholic Secondary School. Students in Grades 6-8 in the ALCDSB are invited. Fun DJ, canteen and lots of parent-volunteer chaperones, as well as supervision being provided by Belleville Police Services.



Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 27th at 6:15 pm in the Learning Commons. Everyone is welcomed and invited! Child-care can be available with advance notice. Please come out and see what School Council is all about!





Mrs. Allen's Retirement Celebration






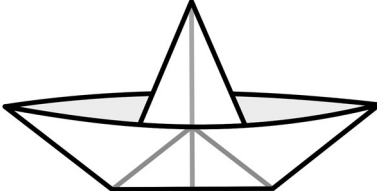
Interlink Rehearsal with Mrs. Terpstra's class and the seniors from the Richmond Retirement Residence

Big Kid Entertainment taught us about inclusion and stereotypes in Cinderella's Frog Prince



A visit from Trustee Sean Kelly at our float for the Santa Claus Parade

JANUARY 2018

	<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>	<i>SATURDAY</i>
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 BACK TO CLASSES	9 SCHOOL COUNCIL AT 6:15	10	11	12 SCHOOL MASS AT 10:00	13
14 	15 FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT FOR ALL GRADE 2S ***** QUEEN'S ROBOTICS VISITS GRADES 6/7/8	16 QUEEN'S ROBOTICS VISITS GRADES 6/7/8 	17 CONFIRMATION RETREAT FOR ALL GRADE 7S 	18	19 MRS. MILLER'S CLASS VISITS THE FRINK CENTER ***** SCHOOL COUNCIL'S WINTER SEMI-FORMAL	20
21	22	23 Tyrannosaurus Pets Wild Zoo Party visits Holy Rosary 	24	25 ORAL HEALTH SCREENING 	26 ORAL HEALTH SCREENING ***** Dance-a-thon pledge forms come home	27
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Upcoming dates to remember:

February 2: PA Day

February 6: Terrific Kids at 9:30

February 9: Valentine's Dance-a-thon

February 13: Speeches in the gym

February 14: Ash Wednesday (and Valentine's Day_

February 20: Report 1 and IEPs go home

February 21: Interviews after school and in the evening (online booking system)

February 22: Ski trip to Brimacombe

February 27: School Council at 6:15

February 28: PINK SHIRT DAY