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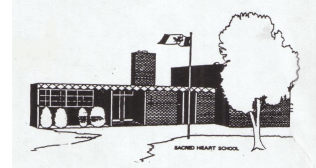
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From the Principal's Desk

Lent – We Change Our Lives

Lent is a journey of faith. During the time from Ash Wednesday to Holy Thursday we take special care to follow God's will for our lives. Lent is a time of reconciliation. We ask God's forgiveness and seek to follow Jesus in all things. Lent is a challenge and a time to practice living the gospel message by loving God and loving others, especially those with special needs. At Sacred Heart in all things, we strive to Be-the –attitude and keep Jesus as our model.



Gymnastics at School

This year we are embarking on a different form of activity for our students. Patti Wegg, long known for her dance expertise, has also offered sessions in gymnastics to interested classes. Our Parent Council has graciously provided funds for this event. Thank you so much ! And we look forward to beginning on February 13th for a period of 6 weeks.

Shrove Tues Pancakes

A reminder that pancakes will again be offered for students and staff on Tues February 20th. We ask that each person donate \$2 which will be sent as a Lenten alms donation. We thank the members of our Parent Council for this treat.



Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday February 21st an liturgy will be held at Sacred Heart School beginning at 9 am. Parents and community members are most welcome. All staff, students and families are reminded of the Ash Wednesday family masses which will be held in the evening at Sacred Heart and St. Ambrose churches. During the season

of Lent, weekly activities will be organized.



Visitors to Our School

Visitors are most welcome. In order to facilitate the safety of our students and staff, we ask that all visitors, including our parents, please remain at the front office. If you are dropping something off for your child, delivering a message to them or collecting them early, Mrs. Marks will be happy to help you. In this way we do not interrupt classes in progress, teachers are then aware of any changes in transportation for students and we keep the amount of traffic in the hallways to a manageable level. If Mrs. Marks is away from her desk, please report to the Principal's office and I will assist you. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Share Lent Activities

Our school will again be involved with Share Lent. All donations will be given to Canadian Food for Children. We are asking for donations of salt, bars of soap and rice, beginning the week of February 26th. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.(Mrs. Ippolito)

St. Anne's Presentation

Mr. Tim Marten's from St. Anne's Secondary School will be providing an information/workshop evening at our next Parent Council meeting, March 27th, beginning at 7pm. This is a great opportunity for junior and intermediate students and their parents, to hear information regarding the new Secondary School diploma requirements and sample pathways for various school and career destinations. He will be focusing on matching post secondary educational and career choices of our young people depending on their secondary school destination choices. He will provide important information on apprenticeship, college, university and work place decisions. Please come out and support this evening with your presence. If child-care is required please contact the school.

Respect Assembly

Our next Respect Assembly will be Monday Feb. 26th at 1pm. At this time Mrs. Susan Doig will be our guest

speaker. All parents and community members are welcome to join us.

Lenten Activities

Our school will participate in Lenten liturgies, beginning with Feb 21st. Liturgies will be at 2:30pm. The schedule will be as follows:
Tues Feb 27th; Mon. March 5th, Mon March 19th and Mon March 26th. Again, community members are welcome.

Out-Reach Programs

During February, the grade 2-3 class will be holding a Penny Table of new items. The proceeds will be put towards a school mission project. We are moving the date for this to Friday March 2nd, since we have had so many snow days parents and staff have not been able to bring their items into the school. Please consider donating an item for this table. Please send any items in care of Mrs. Ippolito.



Discussion on Catholic Schools and Their Future

On Tuesday February 27th at St. Anne's Secondary School in Clinton, an important discussion will be held regarding the future of Catholic Education, beginning at 5pm. In recent months there have been articles and comments made by politicians questioning the existence of our catholic school system. We must work together to ensure that there is no doubt we are a "system with a difference". To help decide our course of action as a system and community, we are looking for parents and members of our parish who would like to participate in a dialogue. If you are interested in attending this evening, **please contact the school for a package of information which outlines the evenings agenda.**

What Families Can Do

Ideas to Help Your Child succeed in and Enjoy Mathematics

Link Mathematics with Daily Life

Everyday, people face situations that involve mathematics, such as deciding whether one has enough money to purchase a list of items at the store, reading a map to find out where one is, building a budget, deciding on the shortest route to a destination, developing a schedule, or determining the price of an item on sale. Help your child realize that mathematics is a significant part of everyday life.

Annual Lasagna Dinner

Mark your calendar – March 31st is LSAC 2nd Annual Lasagna Dinner and Family Night – after 5:00 Saturday night Mass at Sacred Heart Church Hall. More details will follow.

Mario and The Magic Coat

Live on Stage, A Children's Theatre

"Magic tricks, songs and audience participation take the children on an exciting journey to learn that YOU CAN DO IT when you believe in yourself!"

Performance will be at the North Huron Westcast Community Complex on March 17th.

Tickets are \$9.00 each child or adult or \$39.00 for a family pass (up to 2 adults & 4 children)

St John Ambulance

A course is available for students ten years of age and older. It's called "What Every Babysitter Should Know".

This is a one day course designed to teach students skills they will need for babysitting as well as showing them basic first aid skills, all taught in a way that is both informative and fun. The course fee is \$65.00 per student. This includes a great handbook, a certificate upon completion, and a babysitter's first aid/handbag kit.

The next course is scheduled for March 16th at the Lucknow Recreation Centre

For more information contact Lisa Hibma 524-8943 or sjahuroncentral@hurontel.on.ca. Information poster available from the school.

