

Sacred Heart School Updater

We are Gifts to Each Other

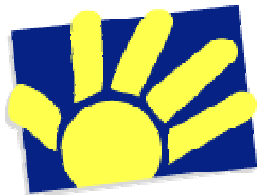
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Wingham, Ontario

April 2009

From the Principal's Desk:

This past month has been a trying and difficult one for many in our school community. It is at times such as this that we are truly fortunate to belong to a Catholic school community as we are able to pray for those experiencing difficulties and offer support. We will continue to pray for those in need.

This is Holy Week, the annual remembrance of the Lord's suffering, death, and resurrection, It has always been the most important event of the Christian calendar right from the beginning. The early Christians observed the special days of Holy Week in a spirit of prayerful gratitude, overwhelmed by the sacrifice of Jesus for us.

Mrs. Waechter's class presented the Passion of Jesus to the school community on Holy Thursday. Thanks to the grade 5/6s for their effort in preparing this solemn event for our students.

Please accept our best wishes for a blessed Easter with your families.

Prayer for Easter

Lord, You have arisen forever
In my heart!
May the sunrise
Remind me to shine in Your light.
May the caress of a gentle breeze
Remind me of Your compassion.
May the fragrance of a flower
Remind me to blossom in Your love.



May the singing of birds
Bring a song of joy to my lips.
And in the closing of each day
May I remember to quietly pray.
*Wherever I am, whatever I do
May my thoughts in joy return to You!*

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- Susan Helene Kramer

### First Communion

We are excited for our grade 2s who will be making their first communion on Sunday, May 3. Thanks to Father John and Ms. DeJong for their efforts in preparing our students for receiving this Sacrament.

### School Improvement:

Our staff met last month to outline areas of strength and growth through the School Effectiveness Framework process. It assists in identifying next steps as we move to improve learning and instruction at Sacred Heart. Our next SMART goal is that 75% of all students will be able to provide responses to text that demonstrate higher order and critical thinking in the area of summarizing/retell, main idea.

### Virtues for April

Our virtues for the month of April are: Integrity, Tact and Honour.

### *What is Integrity:*

Integrity is standing up for what you believe in and living by your highest values. It is being honest and sincere with yourself. Without it we couldn't trust each other in what we do or say. We need to listen to our conscience and do the right thing.

***What is Honour?***

Honour is living with a sense of respect for what is right. You show great respect for others and yourself and the rules by which we live. Without respect, people act disrespectfully and do things which make them and others feel ashamed. People respect and look up to those who are honorable.

***What is Tact ?***

Tact is telling the truth kindly and with consideration for how your words affect others. It is knowing what to say and what is better to be left unsaid. It is thinking before speaking. People without tact can be rude and blunt. They may tell the truth but in doing so are hurting others. Being tactful builds bridges between people.

**Virtue Winners for March**

Congratulations to our March virtue winners:

| <b>Forgiveness</b>                 | <b>Honesty</b>                                                                 | <b>Truthfulness</b>                                              |
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| Jack R<br>Patrick F<br>Katherine D | Sarah M<br>Zoe B<br>Darcy F<br>Morgan G-N<br>Joshua S<br>Eric N<br>Elizabeth D | Grace VN<br>Cody S<br>Rebecca M<br>Julie S<br>R.J. W<br>Philip T |



**Next Recognition Assembly:**

Please join us on April 24 for the April recognition assembly. The time has not yet been set and we will inform you as the date nears.

**School Mass:**

Our next school Mass is May 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00. We hope you can join us.

**Lent Activities:**

Well done, Sacred Heart! Our Lenten soup sales netted over \$200. Thank you for your generosity. Also, the response has been very favourable in our Share Lent campaign. We have one week left for donations, so if you haven't had the chance to donate, there is still time. Items for share Lent include sugar, rice, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap and salt.

**Sacred Heart Students Doing it Right!**

Several of our students have gone above and beyond the call of the classroom in the past few weeks with their successes.

Congratulations to the following students:

Alyssa C and Liam G represented Sacred Heart at the Public Speaking Contest . Alyssa placed third in her division.

Liam G also won a poster competition sponsored by OPHEA. His win gained a special presentation for Sacred Heart called Everyone Jump.

Corbin S, Wyatt M and Victoria J were busier than bees at the Optimist Spelling Bee. Corbin, 1<sup>st</sup> and Wyatt, 2<sup>nd</sup>, advance to the next competition in Seaforth on April 18<sup>th</sup>.

**LSAC Corner:**

Come one and all to our Lasagna Supper school Fundraiser on April 24 at the Knights of Columbus Centre. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Kerri Dunn 519-357-4308.

**Music Corner**

In March, several students and families of the Grade 8 class had the opportunity to see STOMP in concert. STOMP is a percussion group that combines dance with rhythmic performance on anything from brooms and garbage cans, to inner tubes and lighters. It was an awesome performance.

Coming up, the Thursday chime choir will be performing at the Stratford Festival for the Performing Arts, Thursday, April 16. (Drivers needed)

This year, Sacred Heart is registered to participate in Music Monday on May 4. Most classes have started learning the song to be sung by schools nationwide in a public awareness campaign for Music education. To learn more about Music Monday check out the web site at:

<http://coalitionformusiced.ca/html/sec2-events/musicmonday/>

The Wednesday chime choir and the Grade 8 bucket drumming class will be performing at the Huron Arts Festival at St. Anne's, Tuesday, May 5. (Students will be bussed)

Please note the following changes to the chime choir schedule:

Wednesday & Thursday April 15/16  
no chimes  
Thursday April 23 - no chimes  
Thursday May 7 - no chimes

Mrs. Ross

## **Students' Corner**

Error: The editor mistakenly identified a piece of writing in last month's newsletter as belonging to Cassidy when in fact, McKenna Bross is the author.

### ***Featured Class: Grade 3/4 Mrs. Weiler***

*In the following pieces, students demonstrated ability to write procedurally.*

How to Open Your Textbook to Page 127

Victoria

Step 1. Pull out your chair 29cm, just enough to reach inside your desk.

Step 2. Get your math textbook out of the desk on the left side. Make sure it says Mathematics 3.

Step 3. Set it on top of your desk.

Step 4. Open to any page at the beginning of the text at the bottom left corner

Step 5. Flip to a page that says 127 in the bottom left corner.

How to Put on Velcro Shoes  
Brody

1. Get your Velcro shoes and put them on the floor.
2. Undo the two pieces of Velcro on the left shoe
3. Lift up the tongue
4. Put your foot in that shoe.
5. Make sure your foot is in your shoe all the way.
6. Push the velcro back down on the piece of Velcro.
7. Repeat 2,3,4,5,6 with the right foot.

### ***Featured Class : Grade 8 Mrs. Kaufman***

*In this task, students had to write a 30 second radio commercial for a fictitious business. All students had their commercials produced by CKNX as part of this process. They sound professional!*

### **Erin's Clothing Shop**

Spring, Spring, Spring is coming soon. Be there, Be there, Be there at the "Get ready for spring sale".

It's time to ditch those drab duds and slip into something new from Erin's Clothing Shop. Just slip across the street from the post office, and indulge in our new daily shipments. Find brands like REXX, Tommy Hilfiger, and Moxy, all at Erin's and now get 2 shirts with 1 free!

So Erin's, Erin's, Erin's is the perfect place to go, go, go!

By: Mary Kate, Ally, & Liz

### **Travelogue Assignment**

A travelogue is almost like an advertisement for a place that someone has visited before. The difference is that it *NEVER sounds* like an ad. Instead, it sounds like something a person would write in a letter, postcard, or diary entry, writing about the place he/she has visited.

Here is a sample:

Skull Island – by Alex

“Welcome to Skull Island” is what I heard when I got off my plane from Toronto. So far as I walk around, I see lots of nice green palm trees and lots of tropical fruit. The only way to get to Skull Island is to take a pontoon boat to get there.

On the first day of arriving from Toronto I checked into an exquisite hotel where everyone is friendly and mannerly. After checking in I went to one of the magnificent beaches and scuba-dived in the crystal clear blue tinged water with all of the tropical fish that call Skull Island beaches home. Then after swimming I went to the Skull Island Day festivities to watch the dazzling parades and the awe-inspiring fireworks. When all the excitement was done, I went to The Palm Tree a magnificent restaurant where I enjoyed some local classics such as clams and oysters. After all the partying I went back to the gorgeous hotel to sleep until the next day.

On the second day I found a group of ten people who were going up to the mountain to hike up it. When we got to the mountain to hike up, I couldn't believe my eyes. This mountain was stunning! While hiking up I saw many animals like parrots and ferrets. When I came back from hiking, I went to the Olympic Stadium. When all this was done, I went to a five star restaurant where Mexican food is on the menu and the food was a mouth-watering taco with tomatoes and lettuce all grown in their organic garden.

On day three I went to Super Ultra Mega Putt Putt Mini Golf and Ultra Fun Bounce House where I played an awesome game of mini golf and met up with some old friends who I haven't seen since grade five who moved to Skull Island. After Mini golfing I went to the beach and went to the Farmer's Market and bought some pineapples and mangoes for a fruit salad. Finally I went to go wake boarding which is always fun to do because it's a thrill when the boat shows up and you grab the tow rope. When I was done I found a small café and I bought what the locals call a sunrise meal which includes one egg with two slices of orange.

On day four I heard some people talking about a show being filmed called “Hurl” where people eat a lot of food and go on roller coasters. I decide to check it out and I should have brought a raincoat or got a new place because I almost got hit with flying food. After watching “Hurl” I went to the indoor baseball stadium and watched the Skull Island Skeletons play the Bermuda Triangles. The Skeletons lost but I guess you can't win them all. After I went to an old school pizza joint called Mario's and got a slice of pizza which I recommend that everyone tries. Then I went to the awe-inspiring gorgeous hotel.

Skull Island what a great place to travel to and have fun swimming in the crystal clear water and touring Olympic Stadium. Who would have thought of Skull Island as a place of so much fun and good eats. The people at Skull Island are really friendly and caring. If your walking around you should notice that it has been litter free for two years.

## Community Complex Programs

*Turn off the Screens week April 27-May 3 2009*

**Children:** Childminding Monday, Wednesday & Friday  
9:30-12

### Ages 14-18 and Adults

- Half price day pass \$3.00
- Free Squash courts & Equipment use  
Apr. 27-May 3
- Fri. May 1, Swim Free 7:30-9:00
- Apr/May Fitness class and Aquatic schedule available at northhuron.ca

## Belmore 42<sup>nd</sup> Maple Syrup Festival

*All events in the Belmore Community Centre*

| Thurs, April 9 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                               | Saturday, April 11 <sup>th</sup>                                                                                                                                               |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senior's Day</li> <li>• Pancakes 9:30-4:00</li> <li>• Craft Show/BINGO</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pancakes 8:30-7:00</li> <li>• Craft Show</li> <li>• Kids' Room</li> <li>• Dance 9-1</li> <li>• Contacts 357-3238, 357-2308</li> </ul> |

**Adults \$9.00, Children 6-11 \$5.00,  
5 & under FREE.**

### Changing Families

***A Concurrent Group For Children & Their Mothers Who Have Been Exposed to Domestic Violence***

This ten-week closed group will begin every spring and fall. The group will be held on Wednesdays and is of no cost. Subsidy for child care and transportation available. For more information and to register call: **Connie at (519) 524-5333 or 1-800-265-5506 or Kelly, Arletta or Krista at (519) 524-1620.** Offered by Huron Women's Shelter, Second Stage Housing and Counselling Services

## Upcoming Events At Sacred Heart

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| Apr. 10 | Good Friday                                                                 |
| Apr. 13 | Easter Monday                                                               |
| Apr. 17 | Gr. 2-4 Swimming                                                            |
| Apr. 21 | Gr. 2-4 Swimming                                                            |
| Apr. 22 | P.A. Day                                                                    |
| Apr. 23 | Rosary Apostolate<br>Big Sweep<br>Basketball Tourney                        |
| Apr. 24 | Lasagna Supper<br>Recognition Assembly                                      |
| Apr. 29 | Rock Star Day                                                               |
| May 3   | First Communion- Catholic Education Week –<br>Change the World Week-Kickoff |
| May 5   | Huron Arts Festival                                                         |

## North Huron Wecast