

Holy Cross School News

November 2016

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

A number of significant activities will be taking place this month at our school. Holy Cross School Remembrance Day Commemoration is scheduled for Thursday, November 10th, at 10:30 a.m. in the MPR room at the school. This event is an opportunity for all students, staff, parents and guardians to take part in the service. Lest We Forget.

Every year parents have an opportunity to meet with all teachers to discuss their child's academic progress. Be sure to mark Wednesday, November 30th, from 3:00 – 7:30 p.m. and Thursday, December 1st, from 8:30 – 11:30 am in your calendar and schedule a conference with your child's homeroom teacher.

I will also be available at that time should you need to discuss other issues.

Tuesday, November 1st, - Early Dismissal 2:00pm

Thursday, November 10 – Early Dismissal 11:30 pm

Friday, November 11 – No School (Remembrance Day)

Wednesday, November 30 – Parent Teacher Conference (3:30 -7:30 pm)

Thursday, December 1st, - NO SCHOOL

Parent Teacher Conference (8:30 – 11:30 am)

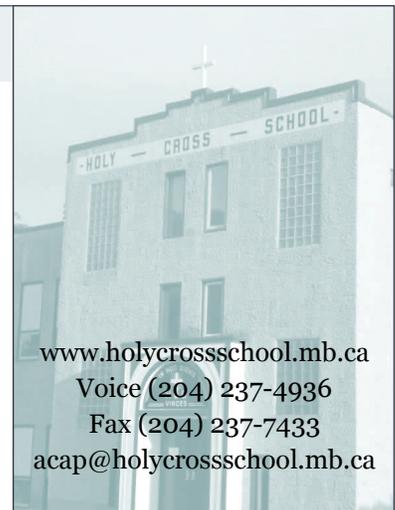
Friday, December 2nd, - NO SCHOOL (PD Conference)

If there are any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to either call or come and see us at the office.

Respectfully,

Alexander Cap, B.Ed., M.Ed.

Principal, Holy Cross School



IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER

- 1– All Saints Day Mass 10:30
- 1 – Early Dismissal 2:00 pm
- 1– HPV Vaccine Gr. 6 & Gr 8 Boys
- 10–Remembrance Day Service in the MPR 10:30am
- 10–**NO SCHOOL– PM**
Report Card writing
- 11– **NO SCHOOL**
Remembrance Day
- 17–School Board Meeting 7pm
- 18– WE DAY (Gr. 7&8)
- 21– Report Cards sent home
- 29– PAC Meeting 7pm
- 30–Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:30 pm

DECEMBER

- 1 – Parent Teacher Conf.
NO SCHOOL
- 2–**NO SCHOOL**

“I came that they might have life, and have it abundantly.” John 10:10

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM HOURS

Before 7:00 AM	No supervision provided.
7:00 AM – 8:20 AM	Before School program hours. Unless students are enrolled in the Before School program, they should arrive at the school no earlier than 8:00 AM.
8:00 AM – 8:20 AM	School open to receive pupils. Supervision provided.
8:20 AM – 3:00 PM	Regular school hours. Supervision provided.
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	School open for pickup of pupils. Supervision provided.
3:00 PM – 5:30 PM	After School program hours. Unless students are enrolled in the After School program, they should be picked up no later than 3:30 PM.

REMEMBRANCE DAY



All students who bring in a loonie may wear red and receive a poppy.

Monies raised will go to the Veterans' Association.

SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Students must be in the proper school uniform. This includes Gr. 3-8 gym clothing as well. Students that are not in proper uniform will have a note sent home. The second time the student will have to call home for replacement clothing. Remember all clothing must be purchased through Top Marks. Uniforms may be ordered online at www.topmarks.ca. School code is HOL01.

CONGRATS TO OUR LEAK DETECTORS

Science Club students did the hard work of checking their school bathrooms, labs and gym change rooms for dripping taps, leaky showerheads or running toilets.

They also reported their findings to school maintenance and got the leak fixed. All of the classrooms involved took on the task of educating the rest of their school about water conservation through a variety of different projects and presentations, and by planning ongoing leak audits at school and at home.

Participants will be receiving a shower timer, a Leak Detector water bottle, and FortWhyte family pass!

Keep up the good Work!
Dr. Bajaj



Science Club- bake sale

On Thursday, October 27 morning and afternoon “Science Club” had a Bake Sale bake sale for the support of Science Fair. The sale was a great success. Young Scientists from the Science Club would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who participated.





Roots of Empathy
Racines de l'empathie

This month the Grade 5 class completed Theme 1 of Roots of Empathy, “Meeting the Baby”. They learned that their Roots of Empathy “teacher” would be Baby Louis along with his mother, Maria Jeanson. Before meeting the baby the class made a list of predictions of what they thought Baby Louis might be able to do at 3.5 months of age. They learned some basics about newborn abilities and how newborns learn through their senses. All babies are born with 100 billion neurons and when those neurons are connected with synapses their brains grow and develop. They learned that babies develop along a continuum, mostly learning skills in a similar order, but that every baby develops at their own pace. Finally, the class learned about temperaments. We all have different temperaments and our temperaments affect how we react to situations and how we learn.

The highlight of the month was when Baby Louis and his mother came to visit the classroom. Baby Louis was very interested and curious to meet the Grade 5 students. He looked around the green blanket at all the students, making eye contact, smiling and cooing. The students noticed that when they laughed he would react and make sounds back at them. The students weighed and measured Louis and learned that he grew about 4 inches and nearly 4 pounds in the last 2 months! They asked his mother about the skills they made predictions about, and she answered either “yes” or “not yet” to the various predictions. In observing Louis and talking to his mother they learned that Louis is a low intensity baby (does not react very strongly to situations) and that his activity level is medium-low. Intensity and activity level are the two temperament traits that we are focusing on for the month.



The students are being encouraged to be detectives and watch baby Louis for clues to see if he is enjoying an activity or if he is getting tired of it, to notice if he is getting tired and wants to sit with his mother. By observing the baby’s body language and understanding how the baby is feeling, they will soon learn how to observe each other’s body language to understand how others are feeling. We are talking about how everyone has different feelings in different situations and that all feelings are acceptable and valid.



TABS FOR WHEELCHAIRS

A special welcome to all the new families of Holy Cross School, and of course, to all the returning families! As you saw in September's newsletter, our school is involved in saving tabs. They can be off canned drinks, beer cans, fruit cups, pet food cans, etc.

Holy Cross was the school that started this program in **1998** and as of today, we have approximately 90 schools, 85 companies/groups and hundreds of individuals throughout the province saving with us. We even have people saving in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and some parts of the United States,

In June, we presented our 17th specialized wheelchair to Jessica. You can see a little clip of the presentation on Winnipeg CTV NEWS at <http://bit.ly/28RaniO>.

This year, we are saving for **Delaney**, who is a **grade 11 student** at **St. Boniface Diocesan High School**, our neighboring school right next door. She will receive her specialized wheelchair on June 22, 2017. You can read more about Delaney on a poster that is in the main hallway of the school.

Each class will once again have a water jug, marked with the class name, and when a class has filled two jugs, they will get a no uniform day, a movie, and a drink. There is a chart in the main hallway, right beside Delaney's picture, which shows you each classroom's progress. We hope that all our **new families** will start saving tabs for this very worthwhile cause!

Our goal in the next two years is to be able to present one specialized wheelchair in 2017 and **two chairs in 2018** because that year will be the **20th Anniversary of Tabs for Wheelchairs**.

In order to achieve this goal, we need to have all of our school population involved in actively saving tabs and to spread the word to your relatives, friends, and neighbors. Good luck and looking forward to see how well we can do this year!

Gwen Buccini
Tabs for Wheelchairs Coordinator

HOLY SNACKS MENU.....NOVEMBER 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
31 HALLOWEEN SURPRISE! (Suggest you PRE-ORDER)	1 Oven Baked Taquitos w/rice	2 Taco Skillet w/salad	3 P I Z Z A L U N C H	4 Grilled Cheese w/tomato soup	WE ARE AWARE AND WE TAKE CARE.....HOLY SNACKS IS <u>PEANUT AND TREE NUT FREE!</u> NONE of our meals OR ingredients contain ANY peanuts or tree nuts.
7 Quasadillas w/fruit OR veggies	8 Lean Tacos w/rice	9 Spaghetti w/homemade meat OR tomato sauce, salad	10 EARLY DISMISSAL	11 NO SCHOOL	All meals are prepared in our commercial kitchen in compliance with Food Safety and Quality Control Policies and is regularly inspected by Manitoba Health Inspectors.
14 Homestyle Creamy Mac&Cheese w/salad	15 Sloppy Joe on a bun w/veggies	16 Grilled Cheese w/tomato soup	17 P I Z Z A L U N C H	18 Perogies w/salad OR w/veggies	Please note our new prices effective as of October 1, 2015. In order to keep costs at a minimum, utensils are only provided when purchasing a menu item. Others will have to pay .05
21 Taco Skillet w/salad 28 Veggie Stirfry	22 Oven Baked Taquitos w/rice 29 Lean Tacos w/rice	23 Lasagne Casserole w/salad 30 Pizza Noodle Bake w/salad	24 HOT DOG LUNCH 1 1 NO SCHOOL	25 Homestyle Creamy Mac&Cheese 2 NO SCHOOL	We encourage students and staff to purchase MEAL cards or SNACK cards. We also encourage all students to pre-order so you're sure to get lunch. <u>DAILY ENTREES \$6.00</u>
SIMMERS	Home made soup will be available 2 – 3 x per week, or <u>when pre-ordered the day before</u>\$3.00/bowl. Combine it with a salad, sandwich, or wrap, and a beverage for \$6.00 Steamed Rice will also be available 2 – 3 x per week, or when pre-ordered. \$3.00/bowl.				
DELI	Assorted sandwiches and wraps will be available <u>when pre-ordered the day before</u> \$3.50-4.00 each. Combine it with salad or soup, and a beverage for \$6.00 (Varieties include chicken salad, tuna, egg salad, veggie, ham or turkey)				
SALADS	Fresh salad is available daily for \$3.50-4.00 . Included with daily entrée, alone, or combine it with soup or sandwich for \$6.00 Specialty salads include Chef, Caesar, Southwest, Spinach..... \$4.00. Veggies & Dip \$3.00 *** Available only on select days***				
SNACKS	Veggie Chips/Chips \$1.00 Granola Bars \$1.00 <u>Available as Pre-orders:</u> Yogurt Parfaits \$2.50 Fruit Cups \$1.50		White Milk \$1.00 Chocolate Milk \$1.00 Juice Boxes \$1.00 Bottled Water \$1.00 UTENSILS \$0.05 CONDIMENTS \$0.25 (Applies to anyone who has NOT purchased meal)		

*** MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE BASED ON AVAILABILITY***

PEANUT/TREE NUT FREE



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Day 4 EARLY DISMISSAL 2pm All Saints Day 10:30 Mass HPV Vaccine Dose 1-Grd 6 Boys & Girls, Grd 8 boys only IA Gr 7	2 Day 5	3 Day 6 IA Gr 8	4 Day 1	5
6	7 Day 2	8 Day 3 Top Marks Exchanges	9 Day 4 Principals Meeting IA Gr 7	10 Day 5 Remembrance School MPR Service NO SCHOOL P.M Dismissal 11:30a.m.	11 NO SCHOOL REMEMBRANCE DAY 	12
13	14 Day 6 IA GR 8	15 Day 1	16 Day 2	17 Day 3 School Board Meeting	18 Day 4 WE DAY IA Gr 7	19
20	21 Day 5 Report Card Distribution	22 Day 6 IA Gr 8	23 Day 1	24 Day 2 Visit From The Symphony	25 Day 3	26
27	28 Day 4 Advent Service IA Gr 7	29 Day 5 PAC Meeting	30 Day 6 PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES 3:30-7:30p.m. IA Gr 8			