

Immaculate Conception School

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March Catholic Virtue of Forgiveness

During this month our schools are recognizing the Catholic Virtue of **FORGIVENESS**. In our Catholic schools we work to honour and model forgiveness and many of our young students are in the process of receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Let us all continue to pray for God's forgiveness, and to model it for our children as we remind them "To err is human; to forgive, divine."

OUT-OF-BOUNDARY TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS

PVNCCDSB POLICY 1001

Each school has a defined attendance boundary. Transportation for out-of-boundary or out of Board students is ultimately the responsibility of the parent(s) or

guardian(s) of these children. Upon submission of a written request for transportation by May 31st to the school principal, transportation may be considered on existing routes if there is adequate space, provided no route adjustments are

Necessary and no additional cost is incurred by the Board.

TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM CHILD CARE FACILITIES PVNCCDSB POLICY 1001

The parent or guardian must annually apply, in writing, on the approved School Bussing Application for alternate pick-up/drop-off for child care centre/babysitter (Appendix B to Administrative Procedure AP-TRAN-1001). An application must be submitted to the transportation department for this type of alternate address pick-up and drop-off by May 31st each year for transportation for the following year. **Please contact the school for a Form.**

Catholic School Council News

Everyone is welcome to attend our next Catholic School Council meeting which will take place on Tuesday, March 9th, 2010 at 6:30 pm in the Library

Term Two Reports

Term Two report cards will be sent home on Monday, March 8th. Please review your child's work, add comments and sign page 3 and return it to the

school. Interviews will be conducted only if the teacher and/or parent/guardian requests it. Parents wishing to discuss their child's report card with the teacher are invited to contact the teacher to arrange

a mutually convenient time for an interview. The Provincial Report Card is intended to provide you with clear, detailed information about how your child is achieving and progressing in relation to province-wide expectations and standards, based on the Ontario curriculum. It also focuses on the development of learning achievement. Parents are encouraged to discuss the report card with their child - achievement, goals and plan.

Safety Alert !!!!!!!!!!!

Immaculate Conception School is always concerned with the safety of all our school community throughout the entire school year. To this effort, we continue to make appeals for safety, especially during drop-off and dismissal times. Please be aware of these issues.

1. The south side of Robinson St., across from the School is a **NO PARKING** zone from 8:30—5:00. This includes during dismissal times.

2. As many cars do park on the south side of Robinson St., we suggest that you remain on the north sidewalk near the school until the busses have left.
3. Do not park within the bus zones.
4. Be careful not to crowd the sidewalk near the busses.

**PLEASE DO NOT WALK
BETWEEN THE BUSES!
PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW**

**YOUR CHILD TO CROSS
THE STREET BY THEM-
SELVES!!**

**THE SAFETY OF OUR
SCHOOL—STAFF, STU-
DENTS AND CHILDREN—
IS FIRST IN OUR MINDS.**

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP.

Reminders will be distributed if needed.

ADHD—FACTS AND MYTHS (FOCUSING THE ENERGY)

Your child is counting on you to know the facts. ADHD is one of the most widely researched conditions. This research has increased awareness and understanding, but it has also created a media explosion of information, misinformation and conflicting opinions. Join Dr. Kerry Handelman for an evening discussing facts and dispelling myths. \$10 per person to attend presentation. **Space is limited. Register today, call 748-9455 and online @ www.adhd-canada.ca**

Keynote speaker: **Dr. Kenny Handelman**, Child, Adolescent & Adult Psychiatrist
Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital—Adjunct Professor of Psychiatry, UWO

Thursday, March 4th 7—9 pm

Peterborough Collegiate, 201 McDonnell St., Peterborough.

- Event brought to you by: Idasp. Learning Disabilities Association of Peterborough

Spaghetti Dinner “A Night in Italy”

Everyone is invited to our third annual Spaghetti Dinner at Immaculate, hosted by our Grade 8 class on Wednesday, March 24th. There will be two sittings.

1st sitting at 5 pm and the 2nd at 6:15 pm

**THE PRICE REMAINS THE SAME
AS LAST YEAR**

Cost: \$5.00 per child; \$8.00 per adult
OR \$20 for a family (up to 5 members).

Order forms will be sent out shortly.



Environment Club News



Remember 2009? On March 27, 2010 at 8:30 pm hundreds of millions of people around the world will turn off their lights for an hour to demonstrate their commitment to climate change. Every hour Canadians share taking small steps to lessen their

impact on the environment. From hanging your clothes to dry to using shared transportation, these small steps add up to huge changes for the better. **Sign up at Earth-HourCanada.org.** Check out local events that night. **Our school will participate on March 26th.**

Hot Lunches in March

Pizza—Thursday, March 4th

Hot Dogs—Friday, March 12th

Subs—Thursday, March 25th

Pizza—Wednesday, March 31st

There will be 2 bake sales in March

Thursday, March 4th— Miss Leont's class will provide the first bake sale and the second bake sale is on **Friday, March 31st** and it is provided by Mrs. Delaney's class

Every student in this class is asked to bring at least 12 individually wrapped items - cupcakes, cookies, popcorn, licorice, fudge, squares, etc. No peanut products in any items please. All items will be sold for .25¢ each

March Break—Sacrament Dates & Use of Video Camera on Bus Route STC 634B

March Break begins on Monday, March 16th - Sunday, March 20th inclusive. School resumes on Monday, March 23rd.

We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable spring break. Please remind your children to stay away from ice and open water.

Grade 2 Parents/Guardians: Sacrament of First Eucharist:
Sunday, May 2nd, 2010 at 10:30 am

Grade 7 Parents/Guardians: Sacrament of Confirmation:
Saturday, June 5th, 2010 at 4:30 pm

Video Camera on Route STC 634B

A letter is being sent home with all students on this bus route—parents/guardians are asked to read and acknowledge receipt of notice and return to principal on or before Monday, March 8th.

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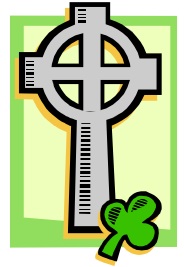
Terry Keating, Principal

Safe Arrival Program -
Please call the school to report
absenteeism before 9:00 am

**School
website:
[http://
schools.pv
nccdsb.on
.ca/
immac06](http://schools.pvnccdsb.on.ca/immac06)**

Ancient Irish Blessing

May the road rise to meet you
May the wind be always at your back
May the sun shine upon your face
The rain fall soft upon your fields
And until we meet again
May God hold you in the hollow of his hand.
And may God bless us, the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.



CROSSING GUARD OPPORTUNITIES

Calling all Parents, Grandparents, friends or neighbours.....Do you or someone you know want a rewarding part time career with a minimal time commitment and competitive salary. If so consider the benefits of becoming an adult School Crossing Guard. There is also the option of being a spare to cover our regular guards in their absence. If you would like more information about this great opportunity, please contact Peter Malin at 742-7777 ext. 1846

First Nation, Métis and Inuit News

March – Sugar Moon

The third moon of Creation is Sugar Moon. As the maple sap begins to run, we learn of one of the main medicines given to the Anishnaabe which balances our blood and heals us.

Grandfather Teachings: Wisdom

It is to be discovered on your journey through life...in a wild flower, in the face and words of an elder. If you listen you will hear it in every sound, if you look you will see it in all things!