

Believe , love, act - "The greatest among you will be your servant" (Mt. 23:11)



November 2011 Newsletter



"Justice"

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A Prayer for Justice, Peace, and Remembrance Day

All Saints Day-Nov. 1 - All Souls Day-Nov. 2 - Remembrance Day-Nov. 11

God of justice and peace, we praise You and thank You for the gifts that You have given our children in this month of Remembrance. May we bless the memories of those in our families who have gone before us to their heavenly reward. May we bless the memories of those who have died in the name of justice and peace. May we bless those who are working in our families, communities, country and around the world to achieve peace and justice. We ask that you help us make our children responsible citizens who help us to bring about Your sense of justice in our community. May they speak justly as did Mother Teresa of Calcutta and model justice to nature as did St. Francis of Assisi. Amen.

School Mass—Friday, Nov. 11th at 1:30 pm—Mr. Alderson's grade 6 class is taking care of this mass at Immaculate Conception Church. Everyone is welcome.

Toonies for Terry—Thank you to all who donated cash for Terry Fox—we raised **\$117.95**.

Gr. 8 Garage Sale in Gym — Tuesday, Nov. 22nd—something for everyone. Most items are .50 to \$1. There will be a draw. Thanks for supporting our gr 8 year end trip to Ottawa.

Principal - Mrs. Donna Ball
Teacher In Charge - Mr. Craig Smith
Secretary - Mrs. Wendy Campbell
Trustee - Mr. Lorne Corkery
Trustee - Mrs. Christine Dunn
Supt. Of Schools - Mr. Dale Godin
School Council Chair - Mrs. Kim Driscoll & Mrs. Christina Jones

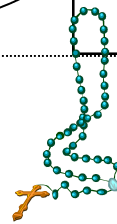
School Council News

Thank you for your support with our School Dance-A-Thon! It was a huge success and everyone had fun. We thank School Council for their amazing efforts. The support of the whole Immaculate Conception Community was awesome once again. We raised just over \$3700.

Please join us at our **next School Council Meeting** to be held on Tuesday, November 8th - 6:30 - 8:00 in the school library.

Rosary Apostolate Program

We are blessed that on the first Wednesday of every month volunteers come in to teach and pray the rosary with our students from Kindergarten to Grade 8. We extend our thanks to those volunteers.



Santa Shop is here on — Nov 30th & Dec. 1st

Homework Help is an interactive website that provides mathematics support for students in grades 7 through 10. It is a free, confidential, 24/7 service being offered by the Ministry of Education and the Independent Learning Centre. Homework Help offers interactive mathematic tutorials, listen and learn videos, a mathematics glossary, as well as one on one personalized tutoring delivered by Ontario certified mathematics teachers. Students can self-register now at <https://homeworkhelp.ilc.org>. To register, students will need their Ontario Educational Number (OEN) which can be found on any student report card. For more information on Homework Help contact your principal, classroom teacher, or Jonathan Berlingeri, Student Success Consultant, at jberlingeri@pvnccdsb.on.ca or 705-748-4861 x168.

Picking up Students at Dismissal—if you plan on picking your child up early or at dismissal time, we MUST know first thing in the morning. Please use the agenda for communicating this request. **A phone call at the end of the day is for emergency situations only!**
Thank you for your cooperation.



**Student Transportation Services of Central Ontario (STSCO)
Winter Newsletter - October/November, 2011**

Dear Families, Parents and Guardians:

The winter season is once again fast approaching and it is very important that we recognize the need to review winter weather procedures with students. In addition to reminding students dress warmly for conditions and carefully obey all traffic rules when walking in the community, we would like to emphasize the following for those who are bussed to school:

Prior to the beginning of the school day, inclement weather or poor road conditions may force the cancellation of school transportation services. In this event, bus delays and cancellations will be posted on the www.stsco.ca website. Also, area radio stations and media outlets will broadcast related information (see list below provided for your convenience).

Remember that if a bus is cancelled in the morning, it will not run in the afternoon.

As a parent or guardian, it is recommended that you:

- know your child=s school bus route number;
- know the name of the bus company operating the route;
- listen to your local radio station or visit the www.stsco.ca website in the morning for delays or cancellations;
- provide for getting your child safely to and from the school bus pick-up and drop-off location;
- ensure that your child is at the school bus stop 5-10 minutes prior to the scheduled arrival time of the school bus; and
- review contingency procedures with your child and cover such areas as what to do if the bus is late or cancelled and generally what to do when inclement weather is encountered on the way to or from the bus stop.

If you need to confirm your child=s route number, you can call the STSCO Telephone Information Line (705-748-9240 or toll free 1-866-433-4441). When calling, you will need your child=s 9-digit OEN student number, located beside their name on their report card, as well as their birth date. For those who may not be aware of their child=s OEN student number, please contact your school to obtain that information.

The STSCO Telephone Information Line (705-748-9240 or toll free 1-866-433-4441) can also be used to check if there are any large scale bus cancellations (i.e. county or regional) on the day of the call.

In keeping the above information in mind, you and your children will be better prepared to deal with issues which may arise in relation to transportation during the winter months ahead.

Joel Sloggett, C.A.O.

Student Transportation Services of Central Ontario (STSCO)

Peterborough City and County

(also including Campbellford and area schools):

THE WOLF - 101.5 FM

THE KRUZ - 100.5 FM

COUNTRY 105 - 105.1 FM

ENERGY 99 SEVEN - 99.7 FM

Dancethon Fundraiser News:

Congratulations to the following students: 1st Prize: docking station—**Alicia Marren** - grade 5—raised \$250; 2nd prize—Paper Jam guitar and amplifier—**Max Ayotte**—gr 5—raised \$200 and 3rd Prize—gift card to EB games—**Julia Kemp**—gr 2—raised \$170.

Draw for 5—\$50 gift cards for Lansdowne Place (Special thanks to Mrs. Gorman and her gr 8 graduates of 2011 for generously donating 3 of these gift cards) students who won are: JK/SK—**Lilli Bidgood**; gr 1/2: **Julia Kemp**; Gr 3/4 - **Miguel Ferreira**; Gr 5/6: **Sydney Delaney** and Gr 7/8: **Erica Inward**. Extra draws for top classes: 1st—grade 5 \$800.50—tonic karaoke gift card—**Megara Horton**; 2nd—gr 2 \$498.30—stomp rocket—**Salome Casas-Martinez** & 3rd—gr 7—\$492.25—Tonic karaoke gift card—**Lucy Driscoll**

November Dates to Note...

Tuesday, Nov. 15 - Progress Reports go home
 Tuesday, Nov. 15—Picture Retakes (if needed)
 Friday, Nov. 25—PA Day
 Wed., Nov. 30—Sacrament of Reconciliation (Gr 2)



Message from the City of Peterborough Remembrance Day falls on Friday, November 11th, 2011. There will be no garbage, green waste or recycling collection service on Friday, November 11th. Collection for Remembrance Day will move to Monday, November 14th, 2011. Please ensure all garbage, green waste and recycling is at the curbside by 7:00 a.m.

Book Fair 2011

Thank you to all families and staff who supported our Scholastic Book Fair. Thanks to you, we received \$900.00 worth of free books for our library.

Our "**Battle of the Books**" book club has started for students in grades 3-6 who are interested, and meetings will begin next week. All interested students may participate in the club, and team tryouts will take place in December to see who will be representing our school at the annual competition in February.

**Safety In Our School**

By law we are required to conduct 6 fire drills and 2 lock down drills each year. We will be doing 1 more fire drill and our 1st lockdown drill during November. In the Spring—3 more fire drills and 1 lock down will be held.

Popcorn sales in support of our school continue on Wednesdays at lunch recess.



Poppies are available at School from Nov. 7—10. Students are asked to bring some change in for a donation.

**Halloween Hard Candy Drive—
November 1—4**

The JK children will be having a Hard Candy Drive. They will be collecting wrapped, hard candy drive, which is one of our Social Justice Projects this year.

This Canadian Food for Children project will help children in third and developing nations. The hard candy helps to activate the salivary glands and prepare the digestive tract for food. Please encourage your child to participate by donating some of their Halloween treats—specially, wrapped, hard candy. **Daily collections will occur from November 1—4th and we thank everyone for your generosity.**

Hot Lunch Dates in November

Wednesday, Nov. 2nd—cheese pizza slices—\$2 each will be sold at lunch & milk is available (at lunch today—\$1 each (either white or chocolate) - **THIS IS A TRIAL FOR THE MILK**

Thursday, Nov. 17th—cheese pizza slices—\$2 each will be sold at lunch & milk is available at lunch today—\$1 each (either white or chocolate) **THIS IS A TRIAL FOR THE MILK**

Thursday, Nov. 24th—Sub and apple juice—\$4 (order forms for this lunch will be sent home)



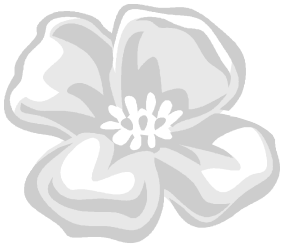
TRIAL DURING NOVEMBER - Milk will be available at ICS again on pizza days

Tips for Parents on Dealing with Bullying

- * Teach your child to report bullying to a trusted adult and to be specific about what is happening. Saying "She calls me names", or "He threatens to hurt me" is more effective than "She's bugging me!"
- * Let children know that you will take concerns seriously and take action to protect them. Often kids feel powerless when bullied and presume no one can help them.
- * Understand the difference between tattling and telling. Tattlers are trying to get someone else in trouble for breaking a rule. Telling is when a child lets an adult know that something bad is happening and that help is needed to stop it.
- * Bystanders usually encourage bullying, even when they hate it. Teach your child to be a positive bystander. If they see someone being bullied they should not watch, laugh or join in. Instead, they should make it clear that they are on the side of the victim, not the bully - and they should tell an adult what they saw or heard.

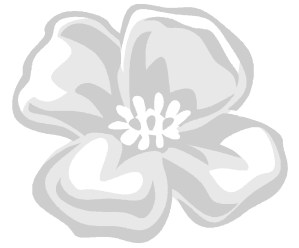
If your child is being bullied...



- * Let the school know.
- * Assure your child that bullying is not his/her fault, and that everyone deserves respect.
- * Remind children to ignore teasing by turning their heads or walking away. Humor can sometimes defuse the situation.
- * Teach assertiveness skills...your child should know he or she has the right to stand up to the bully and say "Stop it!" without being aggressive. You could explain it like this: "Say it like you mean it, but not in a mean voice."



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	October 31 Hallowe'en 	1 All Saints Day	2 Rosary Apostolate in a.m. Pizza available at lunch \$2 per slice; Milk—\$1 each Popcorn - \$1/bag	3 <i>Order forms for Nov sub lunch go home today—due back Nov. 11th</i>	4	5
6	7	8 Catholic School Council Meeting—6:30 pm	9 Popcorn—\$1/bag	10	11 Remembrance Day  School Mass at 1:30 pm—readings by gr 6 class	12
13	14 Lock Down Practice—AM	15 School Picture retakes; Progress reports go home	16 Popcorn—\$1/bag	17 Pizza available at lunch—\$2 per slice; Milk for sale—\$1 each	18	19
20	21	22 Gr. 8 Garage Sale	23 Popcorn—\$1/bag	24 Fire Presentation for JK—Gr 3 Sub Lunch	25 PA Day	26
27 1st Sun. of Advent	28 <i>Gr 1—Scientist in Classroom</i>	29	30 Santa Shop opens in Gym Popcorn—\$1/bag - Sacrament of Reconciliation for gr 2 students	December 1 Santa Shop continues in Gym		