



HOLY ROSARY HIGHLIGHTS

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HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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STUDENT ILLNESS

Please keep students at home if they are sick and do not send students to school if they have fevers, coughs or stomach upset. Review proper handwashing techniques to stay healthy and stop the spread of germs. Staff will not administer medication to students at school without a doctor's note. Please ensure you call the office to report all absences. A doctor's note is required for all absences of 5 or more days.

FIRST TERM REPORT CARDS AND PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

First term report cards will be sent home with all students on February 12. The request for Parent/Teacher Conference form has been sent home with this newsletter. Please complete and return the form to your child's teacher by Monday, February 5 to ensure that you book a time to meet to discuss your child's progress. This is the final formal parent/teacher conference time of the school year. **Parent/Teacher conferences will take place Tuesday, February 13 and Thursday, February 15 from 5:30 pm to 8 pm.**

MINDFUL PARENTING WORKSHOPS

The Holy Rosary CSPC presents **Mindful Parenting: Developing Resilience and Mindfulness in Ourselves and our Children, Thursday March 1 at 4 pm or Thursday, April 12 at 7 pm.** In this experiential workshop, expert Sara Marlowe will help parents learn mindful practices to support us to respond more effectively to stress in our children and ourselves, strategies to build resilience in children, practices to foster empathy and mindfulness practices to share with the entire family. Join us and bring a friend!

CARNAVAL FUN: FEBRUARY 5 TO 9

Our annual winter Carnival will be held on February 9. Children will be playing outdoors all morning so please ensure they are prepared for outdoor weather fun! Each day next week will celebrate the spirit of Carnival and children are invited to participate in the following events: Monday, Feb 5, Tuque Day; Tuesday, Feb 6, Arrow Sash (scarf around the waist); Wednesday, Feb 7, Crazy Hair Day; Thursday, Feb 8, Jersey Day; Friday, Feb 9, Red and White Day.

COLD ALERTS AND WEATHER RELATED CONDITIONS/CLOSURES

Throughout the winter months, the TCDSB Twitter @TCDSB, and the board website www.tcdsb.org are the best sources of information relating to cold weather alerts, cancellations and closures. And remember to check the Toronto Student Transportation Group website for any school bus delays throughout the year. <http://www.torontoschoolbus.org/> and to sign up for email alerts for transportation.

SPIRIT WEAR AND CRESTED ITEM UNIFORM SALE

Holy Rosary Spirit Wear and crested uniform items from Varsity Canada are available for sale online at <https://varsitycanada.com/schools/HolyRosary/>. Orders will be accepted online until February 16. Items ordered in our winter campaign will be arriving in March.

FUN FAIR: SAVE THE DATE!

Holy Rosary will be holding a spring fun fair on Wednesday, May 30, 2018! The fun fair will be from 3:30 to 7:00 pm in the school yard. **Volunteers are needed for the day of the event, but only in one-hour time slots.** We want everyone to enjoy the fun fair with their family. Please email holyrosaryparentcouncil@gmail.com to volunteer.

ECO SCHOOL CERTIFICATION

This year we are working towards Ontario Eco School Certification. We will be holding eco-events and initiatives all spring, designed to raise awareness and improve practices around waste management, energy conservation, greening and more. Join us February 2 for Sweater Day, when we will lower the heat and bundle up with warm clothing to promote energy conservation.



STUDENT IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

Krysanía Ramos, grade 4 student, performed in the National Ballet of Canada's 2017 performances of The Nutcracker. Krysanía danced as a lamb in the annual show. Congratulations Krysanía!

