



## Mary Ward CSS Weekly Update:

### For the week of Monday January 13<sup>th</sup> – Friday January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Hello Parents & Guardians. Below, please find our Mary Ward Weekly Update. This will also be posted on our Mary Ward portal page (Under “For Parents” tab) which can be found at:

<https://www.tcdsb.org/schools/maryward/ForParents/wardweeklyupdate/Pages/default.aspx>

## Welcome to Week 18

### Tip of the Week:

- Our **Math Department** offers extra help through peer and teacher assistance every Monday- Thursday from 3 – 4 p.m. in the Math Department. Please encourage your child to attend to receive additional assistance, to have help preparing for tests, to get help with their unit work. **Additionally, Mr. Bullock** offers test preparation for MCR3U every Tuesday after school.

### Reminders of the Week:

- Grade 12 University/College mark submission date is this **Friday January 17th**. Please be sure to discuss this with your child/TA. All grade 12 students applying to university/college (OUAC/OCAS) **MUST have 7 units completed and in the computer by JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>**.

**Grade 9 Religion Course coming to completion date (Half course):** The grade 9 religion course is a half credit course and will be ending with the final exam on Thursday, January 24th. There are 7 curricular units in the course. Monday, January 21st is the last day to hand in units or write tests in order to qualify to write the exam. Students may have “0” in one unit and still qualify to write the exam and finish the course on time. Students who are behind but can manage to complete 5 units by January 24th will qualify to complete the course in “Early Summer School” during the first 2 weeks of February. Students who are unable to complete 5 units by January 24th will fail the course. Students who have ESL courses, or have an IEP, are exempt from these timelines and may continue to work on this course, however they are encouraged to complete it before the March Break. Please discuss this with your grade 9 children.

**Gr. 10 Day of Service:** All grade 10s will be participating in a Day of Service at either the Good Shepherd Refuge or the Scott Mission as their Retreat this year. This day of service will count as part of Unit 8 for Grade 10 Religion. Further details can be found on the permission form. The first 3 dates are almost full but there is still space for Jan. 29, Feb. 5, and Feb. 26. Students who take Religion in French are to sign up for Feb. 5th. Permission forms can be picked up in the Religion Department for \$11 (covers bussing).

**Winter Activity Day (W.A.D.) 2020:** Winter Activity Day will be taking place on **Friday January 31st, 2020**. This day is a long-standing tradition here at Mary Ward. Very few schools in the TCDSB secondary panel continue this type of an event as it is very time consuming in terms of planning and organizing. We feel however, that this is such an important community bonding time here at Mary Ward so we are able to put the time and energy into making this happen. ***We would, however, ask for your support in ensuring that your children take part.*** On W.A.D., students will pre-select from a list of over 21 various fun activities from volunteering, skiing/snowboarding, 3:3 basketball, ice skating, rock climbing, etc.... There is literally something for everyone and for all budgets. No one should be excluded from participating due to financial difficulties.

This coming Thursday January 16<sup>th</sup> and Friday January 17<sup>th</sup>, students will pick up specific permission forms for the W.A.D. activity of their choice. **Collection of forms and money will then take place on Tues. Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> and Fri. Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>.** Some activities have limited availability so we operate on a first-come, first-serve basis. I will forward parents/guardians an electronic copy of the options available to all students. Any students who is not participating will be expected to attend supervised study at school. ***I strongly encourage all students to participate in W.A.D. 2020. Generally, we have strong participation numbers so I would urge you to avoid making appointments or permitting your child to stay home that day.***

**School Cash Online:** Earlier this week, I sent out through School Messenger, an email detailing registration for School Cash Online at Mary Ward. The TCDSB has adopted this platform several years ago and it simplifies the collection of forms and money. Many of our parents/guardians are currently using this platform. We are moving to a full implementation, so we are encouraging all parents to create a School Cash Online account, if you have not already done so. **We will be collecting student activity fees for the 2020-21 school year using School Cash Online this year, as well as Winter Activity Day registration, graduation, prom, etc. These dates are coming soon. I would urge parents to read the one-page tutorial on how to register.** It is very simple, and it makes life as a busy parent/guardian much easier.

### **Monday January 13<sup>th</sup> – DAY 1**

- Athletics: Jr. Girls Volleyball Game @ Ward vs O'Connor, start @ 4:30 p.m.
- Athletics: Sr. Girls' Volleyball Game @ Ward vs O'Connor, start @ 3:30 p.m.

### **Tuesday January 15<sup>th</sup> – DAY A**

- Athletics: Jr. Boys Basketball Game @ Ward VS YOC, 3:30 p.m. start.
- Athletics: Sr. Girls' Volleyball Game @ Notre Dame, depart @ 1:50 p.m., start @ 3:30 p.m.
- Parent Council meeting 7 p.m.

### **Wednesday January 16<sup>th</sup> – DAY B**

- Lock down #3 drill???
- Athletics: Jr. Girls Volleyball Game @ Charbonnel, start @ 3:30 p.m.
- Athletics: Sr. Boys Basketball Game @ Ward vs Brule, start @ 3:15 p.m., dismissed from location.
- **Grade 12 university applications DUE**
- Excursion: Taping of Mass @ Loretto Abbey. Transportation to and from school. 1 p.m. Students previously registered for trip.

## **Thursday January 17<sup>th</sup> – DAY 2**

- Athletics: Jr. Boys Basketball @ St. Pat's, depart @ 1:50 p.m., game @ 3:15 p.m., dismissed from location
- Athletics: Sr. Boys Basketball Game @ SJPII, depart @ 1:50 p.m., start @ 3:15 p.m., dismissed from location
- Excursion: Snow tube Gr. 10 HPE @ Lakeridge Ski Resort. Be @ school @ 7:30 a.m., depart @ 8:00 a.m. and return @ 2:30 p.m. Students previously registered for trip.
- Event: Stewardship of Creation Swap. Ms. Largo's grade 12 Religion students. Aux Cafeteria periods 4 & 5.
- Students return to TA at 2:30 p.m. to facilitate pick up of various Winter Activity Day permission packages.

## **Friday January 18<sup>th</sup> – DAY 3 - Suggested Target Date - Unit 8**

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- Athletics: Jr. Girls Volleyball Game @ Ward vs Newman, start @ 3:30 p.m.
- Athletics: Sr. Boys Basketball Game @ O'Connor, depart @ 1:50 p.m., start @ 3:15 p.m. dismissed from location
- Athletics: Sr. Girls' Volleyball Game @ Ward vs Newman, start @ 4:30 p.m.
- Gr. 10 Retreat to Good Shepherd or Scott Mission be @ school @ 7:00 a.m., depart @ 7:30 a.m. return @ 2:30 p.m.
- Excursion: HRT3M1/HRT301 trip to the ROM, meet at site @ 10 am, dismissed from site @ 2 pm. Dismissed from site.
- Students return to TA at 2:30 p.m. to facilitate pick up of various Winter Activity Day permission packages.