

#### HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

#### NOVEMBER 2019

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#### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

#### NOVEMBER

19-SYSTEM WIDE CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING AT 6:15PM

23-SEMI FORMAL

25-DEC 6-GRAD PHOTOS

29-TRIVIA NIGHT

DECEMBER

4-ADVENT MASS

12-HT CHRISTMAS &

THE ARTS AT 6:30PM 20-CHRISTMAS LITURGY, ASSEMBLY, TURKEY

DINNER & DRESS UP DAY

24-JAN 6-CHRISTMAS

BREAK

JANUARY

15-DRESS DOWN DAY

16-GRADE 8 INFO NIGHT 6:30PM

21&22-EQAO MATH GR9

24-30- EXAMS

<u>FEBRUARY</u>

3-SEMESTER 2 BEGINS

4-SEM 2 PHOTO DAY

4 & 5-GRAD PHOTO RE-TAKES

13-REPORT CARDS ARE MAILED HOME

17-FAMILY DAY (NO SCHOOL)

#### School Cash Online

Holy Trinity Catholic High School is encouraging all parents to switch to the convenience of paying online for school activities, trips and team fees. Here's how to Register Online:

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Step 1: Please go to: <u>https://bhncdsb.schoolcashonline.com</u>

Step 2: Register by selecting the "Get Started Now" and following the steps.

Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, please select the 'click here'

option, sign in and add each of your children to your household account.

The option to pay by **Credit Card** is now available to everyone.

Please note that with the convenience of credit card payments, all pricing will include an administration fee.

### **Uniform Policy Reminders**

Shoes must be solid black, no logos or stitching of any other colour.

Dress shoes are recommended.

<u>Sandals must be solid black</u>, no other colours. They must be solid on the foot. Beach or sport sandals are not acceptable.

Kilts can be no shorter than 4 inches from the middle of the knee. Students in violation of the kilt rule will be given one verbal warning and a letter home. Subsequent infractions will result in students being required to wear uniform pants for the duration of the semester.

R.J. McCarthy shorts are permitted and should not be altered in any way.

#### Uniform Violations

Any violation of the uniform policy will be recorded and the student will lose their privilege for the next dress down day.

**ATTENDANCE REMINDER**: Absent? Please report the reason for the absence by calling 519-429-3600 ext. 302, Maegan VanHamme. Also, students must sign out BEFORE leaving, with parental permission, if leaving before the closing bell!

**REMEMBER:** Spirit Wear Fridays. Every week.



INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTICE!

HOLY TRINITY

#### IS ZONE 1

However, on days when buses are cancelled for a certain zone, all buses passing through that zone are cancelled. Please check the transportation website. www.stsbhn.ca

## CHRISTMAS AND THE ARTS

Thursday, December 12th is our annual Christmas Concert featuring the Concert Band, the Jazz Band, the Vocal Music Class and the Sr. Instrumental Music Class. The Concert starts at 6:30pm in the lower cafeteria and admission is free.

Also, the Art Department wants to help you with your gift giving! Check out our artistic craft tables at the Concert.



Come out and help us celebrate Christmas and the Arts.

## **GRADE 9 EXAM PREPARATION WORKSHOPS**

TLC will be offering exam preparation lunch and learn workshops for grade 9 students writing their first set of high school exams. Students will have a chance to sign up for these one lunch hour workshops. Workshops will take place from December 9-13, 2019: This workshop will teach students how to effectively budget time, study for, and write exams.

I Topics covered will include:

- How to generate a study schedule to balance the process of writing four exams and finishing four culminating activities.
- Different methods of creating study notes -- cue cards, online inter-active tools and foldables.
- Effective ways to use their study notes.
- Tips and tricks to writing exams. For example, strategies to write multiple choice, short answer and long answer questions.

#### EQAO MATH TEST REMINDER

Any student currently in Grade 9 Applied or Academic Math will be writing the EQAO Math test on Tuesday, January 21st and Wednesday, January 22nd. The test takes place over two days and is written during their regularly scheduled math class. Good luck students.

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Miss Aitken received a cheque for \$3200 from Fair Facilities Manager, Aaron Culver. Thank you to all of the students who volunteered to take shifts parking cars at the Norfolk County Fair. This money will directly support Holy Trinity's Sports Teams, as well as students travelling to Guatemala for our Board Mission Trip.





# Grade 10 and 11 Parent Info Night

Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

HTlibrary

Offered by the Guidance Counsellors of HT

## Let us help you help your child!

There are so many options and pathways in high school that it can be overwhelming for both parents and students. This night will equip you to make informed decisions. We will share some of our most valuable resources – including websites for exploring college, university and the trades – and introduce you to the new program for course selection called My Blueprint.



#### News from the Guidance Office

The Guidance Counsellors have been busy interacting with grade 9 students at the grade 9 retreats, meeting individually with the grade 12 students, welcoming grade eights to our school, and visiting with students as they sign up for appointments.

We will be visiting with grade 11 period 2 classes in December to review important vocabulary for post-secondary destinations. We request that you encourage your senior level students (grade 11 AND 12 students) to visit the colleges and/or universities to which they are planning to apply. Many of the colleges and universities have open houses and tours.

Guidance has been assisting with research by taking students to the Ontario University Fair at Simcoe Composite as well as to the Ontario College Fair at Fanshawe College in London.

The deadline for applying to college is Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. College students are encouraged to apply before Christmas holidays as colleges are able to review applications as early as late November. Workshops on how to apply to college took place between November 11<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. We encourage you to review the college website <u>www.ontariocolleges.ca</u> with your child and visit college campuses as well.

The deadline for applying to university is January 15<sup>th</sup> 2020. University students are also encouraged to forward their applications before Christmas holidays. A tutorial session was held period 2, November 12<sup>th</sup> in the lower cafe – students received their PIN numbers at the end of the session and they are now able to apply. We highly recommend doing research on the university website at <u>www.ontariouniversities.ca</u>.

For those students interested in the trades, a presentation was given by Ms. Deroo. If your child missed the session and is interested in the trades, please have them sign up in Guidance for the grade 10/11 trades presentation taking place on November 27, 2019.

The "Financing Your Education" workshop and Gr. 12 Parent Information session held on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> was well attended. Information was provided by King's College, University of Western Ontario, on scholarships, bursaries, OSAP and relevant websites for all students. If you are a parent or student wanting to check out scholarships go to <u>www.trinitycatholic.ca</u>, click on Student Services and click on "Financing your Education". You will also see a link to the information we provided at the Financial night in October. Encourage your child to continue seeking ongoing scholarship and bursary information. It is also a good idea to check with your employer and organizations to which you belong to see if they offer scholarships/bursaries for your child.

Current Grade	Text instructions	Mobile App or Desktop Instructions
8	Text	Open web browser and enter:
	@htgrad2024	rmd.at/htgrad2024
	to (905)231-3078	Follow instructions to download app/receive emails
9	Text	Open web browser and enter:
	@htgrad2023	rmd.at/htgrad2023
	to (905)231-3078	Follow instructions to download app/receive emails
10	Text	Open web browser and enter:
	@ht2022b	rmd.at/ht2022b
	to (905)231-3078	Follow instructions to download app/receive emails
11	Text	Open web browser and enter:
	@htgrad2021	rmd.at/htgrad2021
	to (905)231-3078	Follow instructions to download app/receive emails
12	Text	Open web browser and enter:
	@htgrad2020b	rmd.at/htgrad2020b
	to (905)231-3078	Follow instructions to download app/receive emails
13	Text	Open web browser and enter:
	@ht2019b	rmd.at/ht2019b
	to (905)231-3078	Follow instructions to download app/receive emails

We encourage all students and parents to sign up for our REMIND APP to receive timely reminders from Guidance. Please text the appropriate message to the number below.

## **School Allergy Alert**

A number of students in our school have a condition called anaphylaxis. Anaphylaxis is a severe life threatening form of allergic reaction. An allergen is a substance capable of causing an allergic reaction. Possible allergic symptoms are many and may rapidly lead to severe permanent injury, coma and/or death. Students who suffer from this condition may go into anaphylactic shock and cease breathing within minutes when they come into contact with even a trace amount of the substance that they are allergic to.

It is vital that we all join together to ensure that our school is a safe, secure place where all students can come and be protected. We presently have students who are allergic to **peanuts**, **nuts**, **eggs** and **latex** as well as **insect stings** from bees and wasps. It is requested that staff and students do not bring any food items containing these food products or any products with latex (i.e. balloons).

Traces of the allergens can be transferred to bus seats, desks and personal belongings if anyone comes into contact with the above listed allergen products. To minimize the possibility of this occurring, anyone that comes into contact with the allergen products are encouraged to wash their hands.

Students are reminded that there is no eating or drinking on the bus. This is of extreme importance in consideration of the anaphylactic students that we want to keep safe on the bus.

Thank you for your cooperation and support regarding this matter. We are blessed to be able to count on all of our families to help us create and maintain a safe, secure school environment for all our students



## **Avoiding Winter Slips and Falls**

Winter brings wet, icy or snowy conditions which can be dangerous and everyone needs to take the right precautions. Our snow removal at the school is completed by an outside contractor and they do their best to keep snow and ice cleared from the parking lots and sidewalks of the school. The tile floors inside the school can also be very slippery in wet, wintery conditions. Significant care must be taken, especially when entering the school with wet footwear. We have tried to minimize the risk by laying down carpets to absorb the water in high traffic locations.

Some recommendations for avoiding slips and falls during the winter season:

- Select proper footwear. Rubber soled boots or shoes with a raised tread provide much more traction in snowy or wet conditions.
- Use caution around vehicles. Many slips and falls occur during entry or exit from vehicles.
- Take your time. It takes more time to navigate winter conditions safely. Avoid taking shortcuts over snow piles or walking where snow or ice removal is less than ideal.
- When entering a building, remove the snow off the bottom of your footwear and take advantage of the floor mats to remove any moisture from the soles of your footwear.

Avoid walking on wet or slippery areas if possible.

Be prepared for slippery conditions. Be aware of the surface conditions.

Please report any hazardous conditions to the main office.

## **Giving Tree Campaign**

"The annual Giving Tree Campaign will kick off Monday, November 11th - a great opportunity for staff and students to rally together and fundraise for those in our community who could benefit from some support this Christmas. Various activities and initiatives take place throughout the weeks leading up to Christmas to bring the community together in this effort. Last year nearly \$9,000 was donated and the same goal is set for 2019. Any support or donations for this very worthy cause are greatly appreciated!"



## JOIN US FOR OUR 2nd ANNUAL TRIVIA NIGHT—FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH

