

#### HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 2018

# IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

#### NOVEMBER

24-SEMI FORMAL
26-DEC 7-GRAD PHOTOS
28-SYSTEM WIDE CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL
MEETING AT 6:15PM
29-TRIVIA NIGHT
DECEMBER
12-ADVENT LITURGY

THE ARTS AT 6:30PM
21-CHRISTMAS LITURGY,
ASSEMBLY, TURKEY
DINNER & DRESS UP DAY

24-JAN 7-CHRISTMAS

BREAK

#### <u>J A N U A R Y</u>

16-DRESS DOWN DAY 17-GRADE 8 NIGHT 6:30PM 22&23-EQAO MATH GR9

25-31- EXAMS

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### <u>FEBRUARY</u>

1- P.D. DAY
4-SEMESTER 2 BEGINS
5-SCHOOL COUNCIL
MEETING AT 6:15PM
5-GRAD PHOTO RETAKES
6-SEM 2 PHOTO DAY
14-REPORT CARDS ARE
MAILED HOME
14-DRESS DOWN DAY

18-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:

Step 1: Please go to: <a href="https://bhncdsb.schoolcashonline.com">https://bhncdsb.schoolcashonline.com</a>

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. Soon, the option to pay by **Credit Card** will be made 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.

Jumpers have been discontinued, they <u>can no longer be worn</u>.

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.



#### **CHRISTMAS AND THE ARTS**

Thursday, December 13th is our annual Christmas Concert featuring the Concert Band, Intermediate Band and the Glee Club. 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.

# 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.

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#### **GRADE 9 EXAM PREPARATION WORKSHOPS**

TLC will be offering exam preparation workshops for grade 9 students writing their first set of high school exams.

November 26-30, 2018: Study Skills and Time Management

Students will learn how to generate a study schedule to balance the process of writing four exams and finishing four culminating activities. The work they completed throughout the year counts for 70% of their final grade and exams/culminating activities count for 30% of their final grade.

They will also learn different methods of creating study notes -- cue cards, online interactive tools and foldables.

December 10-14, 2018: How to Effectively Study for and Write Exams

Students will learn effective ways to use their study notes, as well as, 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 22nd and Wednesday, January 23rd. The test takes place over two days and is written during their regularly scheduled math class. Good luck students.

#### I SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Please come out to our next School Council Meeting held on Wednesday,
November 28th at 6:15pm. Following that, the Board Office will run a Board
Wide School Council presentation from 7:00-8:00pm.

I Everyone is welcome to attend.



## 9th Annual Hospitality Christmas Fundraiser

Please join us on Friday December 7th

in the hospitality room from 9:30am - 11:00am and enjoy breakfast § some delectable delights prepared by the hospitality students! Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used toward the Christmas turkey baskets for our families in need here at HT!

Breakfast will be served from 9:30am-11:00am and includes pancakes and a beverage for \$6.00. We will also be selling delectable delights and

prices will range from .75 cents - \$7.50.

The Tech Design program will be selling fresh Christmas arrangements and farm fresh potatoes.

The Hairstyling & Aesthetics program will be raffling various products!

We hope to see you there!



#### **NEWS FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE**

The Guidance Counsellors have been busy meeting with each of our grade 9 and grade 12 students, welcoming grade eights to our school and visiting with students as they sign up for appointments.

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. All Ontario campuses offer Fall Open House events and ongoing tours.

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

For students interested in the trades, a presentation was given by Ms. Deroo and Fanshawe College. If your child missed the session and is interested in the trades, please contact Ms. Deroo and set up an appointment.

The deadline for applying to college is Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019. 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 November 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.

The deadline for applying to university is January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019. 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.

The "Financing Your Education" workshop and Gr. 12 Parent Information session held on Oct. 17<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 <a href="https://www.trinitycatholic.ca">www.trinitycatholic.ca</a>, click on Student Services and click on Financing Your Education. The "Scholarship and Bursary Package" can be found there.

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.

Grade 12 students can be kept informed of happenings in Guidance by texting @htgrad2019 to 905-231-3078. Parents are welcome to join as well.



## **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.

## **Vehicle Registration**

Students that have started driving their vehicle to school during the school year are reminded to register their vehicles and license plates with Mrs. deHaan at the main office.

## **Last Call for Italy March Break 2019**

Titans, tour Venice, Florence and Rome this March Break with your friends.

There are only 7 spots left on this tour!

Don't miss out on this trip of a lifetime.

See Mr. Roche or Mrs. Crimless for more information.



## Drama Play - "You Can't Take it with You"

"Life is pretty simple if you just relax. But the trouble is, people forget that." Come and remember how to relax and laugh as the grade 11 and 12 Drama classes present, **You Can't Take It With You** by Moss Hart and George Kaufman. This comedy is sure to put you in the holiday spirit as we are reminded that it is the people, not possessions, that make the season bright. Show dates are December 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00pm and Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm. Tickets are \$5 December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, and \$10 December 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Holy Trinity Trivia Night

\*\*In Support of the Giving Tree\*\*

Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018
\$100 per Team (Max 4 people per team) 19+ event

Doors open at 6pm and questions start at 7pm

Light Refreshments and snacks available

Contact: vsuglio@bhncdsb.ca or bcolumbus@bhncdsb.ca

