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NEWSLETTER MARCH 1, 2010

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S "NOVA SCOTIAN" DESK:

3 CHEERS FOR CANADA.....HIP...HIP.....**HOARAY!!!**
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1 FOR US.... HIP...HIP.....**HOARAY!!!**

WAY TO GO CANADA....

Mr. J. Brophy
Holy Cross School
Principal



A FEW POST-OLYMPIC REMINDERS

Band Festival	Tuesday, March 2 nd	10:30-2:45pm	Grade 6-8
Grade 3 Assembly	Wednesday, March 3 rd	2:00pm	All welcome
<i>Spring Fling Meeting</i>	<i>Wednesday, March 3rd</i>	<i>7:00pm</i>	<i>All welcome</i>
Skiing	Thursday, March 4 th	8:00-3:30pm	Grade 5-8
Parent/Teacher Interview	Friday, March 5 th	8:00-2:35pm	Grade K-8
Spring Break	Monday, March 8-22 nd		
School Reopens	Monday, March 22 nd	8:35am	
School Reconciliation	Tuesday, March 23 rd	1:00pm	Grades 3-8
PJ Day	Friday, March 26 th		Grades K-8
Confirmation Retreat	Friday/Saturday, March 26/27 th		Grade 7
Choir Performance	Monday, March 29 th	10:00am	Grade 5-8

IN-HOUSE REGISTRATIONS

Thank you to all our families for submitting the necessary registrations for the 2010-2011 school year. This information is vital as we begin, **with excitement**, to make plans for next year and beyond.



PUBLIC REGISTRATIONS

We are currently in the process of accepting registrations for all grades (K-8). If you know of any family that is interested in attending Holy Cross School, please direct them to the office. **Spaces are limited.**



SHOES FOR THE NEEDY

The grade 6 class is sponsoring a “shoe” drive and they are asking that you drop off any gently used shoes to the grade 6 classroom by Wednesday March 3rd. All shoes collected will be given to the needy in our community as well as abroad.

SHOPPING CARDS

Our Shopping Card Program continues to generate great revenue for our school. This month we have amassed **\$1661.65** giving us a total of **\$14 963** for the year. **Great work Holy Cross!!!** In addition to helping cover the basic operating costs of the school, our fundraising programs (Shopping Cards and Walk-a-thon) has allowed us to subsidize the following items: school wide skating during Catholic School Week, P.E. equipment and sporting costs, symphony K-8, upgrades to bathrooms, future aesthetic improvements to our entrance and play area, security magnetic-lock on our front doors, resources for our language arts and math programs, and golf shirts for our fantastic choir. Without the support of the entire community, these advancements might not have been possible. Your children are, and will continue to be, the beneficiaries of everyone’s hard work. **This program does not cost you any extra money so get on board.... “It’s the place to be.”**

CANNERY CUP UPDATE

It is with a somber heart and a wrinkled brow that I have to announce; that we did not win the contest for the school that displayed the most spirit at the Vee’s hockey game. The accolade goes to Parkway Elementary. Congratulations are extended to all the students, parents, and staff for their great accomplishment.

SPRING BREAK WISHES

I wish you rest....
I wish you rejuvenation...
I wish you safety.....

The light of God surrounds us,
The love of God enfolds us,
The power of God protects us,
The presence of God watches over us,
Wherever we are, God is,
And where God is, all is well.

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S REJUVINATED DESK

Dear Parents:

March 26, 2010

Returning from March Break, there is a buzz of excitement as we welcome spring and all the growth that accompanies the season. We are planning on making some aesthetic improvements to our front entrance area and adding some flowers and plants to our playground. The goal is to make our great school look as welcoming from the outside as it is on the inside.

An Easter message:.....May the angels protect u...may the sadness forget u...
may goodness surround u...and may God always bless u...

Happy Easter!!!

Mr. J. Brophy
Holy Cross School
Principal

SPRING FLING UPDATES

A special thank you is extended to those families who have collected donations from local businesses for our **MAJOR** event. In the near future, parents will be contacting you to give you a personal invitation to use your "connections" to garner items for our live and silent auctions. These auctions are a vital component in determining the success of our evening. With the help of the **ENTIRE** Holy Cross community, I am confident this year's event will be a great bonding experience for our school families. Our next **Spring Fling** meeting will be on **Monday March 29th at 7:00pm** in the library. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. Your great ideas, support, and enthusiasm are needed to help make this event a celebration of **EVERYONE'S** talents. **Come on Holy Cross; let's get this party started!!!!** Tickets are on sale in the office.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be celebrated on **Sunday, April 25th at 11:00am in St. Ann's Church**. Bishop Cooney presiding. A final rehearsal is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 20th at 6:00pm**. All candidates and sponsors **must** attend.

SCHOOL SATISFACTION SURVEYS

In efforts to help us meet the needs of all families, your feedback on our school programs is required by **Wednesday, April 7th**. Please take 5-10minutes and fill in the survey. Your comments are valued and appreciated. Please click on the following link that will take you directly to the survey:

http://www.surveymk.com/s/NELSON_DIOCESE_PARENT_SURVEY

HOLY CHILDHOOD FUNDRAISER

As previously stated, Holy Cross School will be sponsoring a PJ Day on **Tuesday, March 30th**. Students wearing his/her pjs are asked to bring in a loonie to support Holy Childhood.

SCIENCE FAIR AWARD WINNERS

The following Holy Cross students have continued to do very well at a most recent Science Fair held at KVR Middle School. **Gold award winners include: Brayden Wheeler (2nd overall), Keaton Hauschild (3rd overall), Nykaila Wheeler, and Chelsey Madeira. Silver award winners include: Ryan Blystone and Christina D' Aoust. Brayden Wheeler also received a silver award for his backboard.** Congratulations to all these students and good luck next week in Kelowna at the Regionals.

HOLY THURSDAY

Holy Week Anticipation Prayer service will take **Thursday, April 1st at 10:30am**. All families are encouraged to attend.

EARLY DISMISSAL

Parents are reminded that early dismissal is on **Thursday, April 1st at 1:35pm**. (No fooling!!)

EASTER BREAK

School will be closed on **Friday, April 2nd** and re-opened on **Tuesday, April 5th**.

PANORAMA AND CLASS PHOTOS

Practice your smile, comb your hair, and have the twinkle in your eye on **Thursday, April 8th**. Mountain West Studios will be here taking photos of our beautiful children.

SCHOOL MASS

School Mass will be celebrated on **Thursday, April 8th at 9:00am**. All parents are encouraged and welcome to attend.

CHOIR PERFORMANCES

Mrs. Beauchamp will be directing our wonderful choir on the following dates: **Sunday April 11th** @ Holy Child Parish in Summerland **10:00am**, **Monday April 12th** @Trinity Center Care Society **10:00am**, and **Monday April 26th** @Village by the Station **10:45am**.

SHOPPING CARDS

Our successful card program continues to generate “free” money for our school. We are **READY**, **WILLING**, and **ABLE** to meet all of your basic shopping needs. Please come in and see us!!! Since the inception of this program, we have raised over \$26,000 without burdening any family for extra money. This is money you will be spending on a weekly and monthly basis. Your support is greatly appreciated. While you are purchasing your cards, please take a look at our growing displays of Spring Fling Donations.