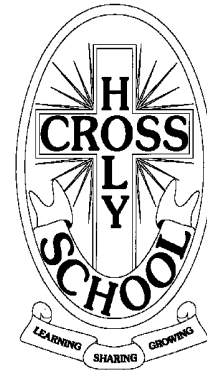


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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S "RESOLUTION/FAITH/DREAM" DESK:

Dear Parents:

January 10, 2012

At this time, I would like to wish all of you a Happy and most Blessed New Year. As we begin the New Year, I am sure many of you are sticking true to your RESOLUTIONS, I, on the other hand am looking toward next year (Yes, already! And no, this one is not close to being over. My brain is not gone to total mush, yet!). That being said, our In-House Re-registration packages will be going home in early February. This procedure has become common at Holy Cross over the last few years. The reason behind this Re-registration process is to allow us to get a better understanding of our enrollment numbers for next year, so we can plan accordingly. This is a vital step in future planning of Holy Cross School. In advance, I appreciate your support in this matter.

Some of you maybe wondering the about the status French Specialist (K-8) for 2012-2013. I am going on record to say YES! We are going to hire a French Specialist next year. SPREAD THE WORD. Who that person is and how we are going to pay his/her salary....remains an unanswered question!!! Now you can understand the "FAITH" portion of my title.

Finally, I am the cusp of launching Penticton wide 50/50 draw. These tickets will be sold at school, by school families, and by various businesses around Penticton. My plan is to use Sun FM to do live on location weekly draws. This should be great publicity for the school and the various businesses that are helping us sell tickets. I received this idea from my nephew's minor hockey association back in Nova Scotia. The total population of the area is approximately 15,000 people. The weekly draws range anywhere from \$7,000.00 to over \$15, 000.00. More particulars on this program will be given out at a later date. For now, if you have a business or know of a business that would be willing to sell tickets, please let me know. The more the merrier!! If you are going to "DREAM, dream big!!! The 50/50 program is subject to School Council approval.

Running out of room on the page...Mr. J. Brophy, Holy Cross School, Principal

SCHOOL MASS

All parents, friends, and relatives are welcomed and encouraged to attend our school Mass on **Thursday, January 12th at 9:00am**. This Mass will be hosted by Ms. Tofin and the grade 6 students. We hope to see you there.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL SPELLING BEE

IT'S SPELLING BEE TIME AGAIN!!!!

This **Friday, January 13th at 10:30 am**, Holy Cross will be holding our annual Spelling Bee for grades 4 - 8 as part of the Canspell program which runs nationwide at this time of year. The winner of our school Bee will be moving on to the Regional Bee in Kelowna in February. The winner of that event goes on to Ottawa for Nationals. We hope that many of you will be able to come out to support our spellers!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK AGENDA FEB. 5th -11th

Please take the time to make note of our Catholic Schools Agenda for the week of **Feb. 5th -11th**. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend these fun events that celebrate Catholic Schools in British Columbia

Mon. Feb. 6	Mass 10:00am 11:00am-11:50am 11:50-12:05 12:05-12:30	School colors (new gym shirt) Classroom visits Lunch with children Playtime with children
Tues. Feb. 7	11:00am-11:50	Principal and secretary for the day PJ and crazy hair day
Wed. Feb. 8	1:00pm-2:25pm	Parent/teacher/student volleyball game
Thurs. Feb. 9	9:30am-11:30am	Skating at Mc Laren Arena
Fri. Feb. 10	9:00am-11:00am	Science Fair Judging
Sat. Feb. 11	Spaghetti Dinner 6:00pm	

SHOPPING CARD PROGRAM

Since we are in the resolution time of year, let's all remember to support Holy Cross School by purchasing cards from our Shopping Card Program. We have cards to meet all your grocery shopping needs. So far, this month, we have raised **\$701.23**. Our grand total for the year is **\$12,011.56!!!** With continued support, we should reach our goal of **\$25,000!!!** As always your continued support is greatly appreciated.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FEB 11TH

In conjunction with Catholic Schools Week, the PSG will be hosting our annual Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, **February 11th after the 5:00pm Mass**. To ensure that all organizers enjoy the event, the PSG will be sending home a sign up sheet for volunteers to help at different stages throughout the evening. All hours will go be credited towards your Parent Participation Commitment.

KEY DATES

- ✓ Tuesday, Jan 10th Sr. Boy's basketball @ Holy Cross 4:00pm
- ✓ Tuesday, Jan. 10th Sr. Girl's basketball @ Holy Cross 5:30pm
- ✓ Tuesday, Jan. 10th PSG Meeting 7:00pm
- ✓ Thursday, Jan. 12th School Mass 9:00am (Gr. 6 hosting)
- ✓ Tuesday, Jan. 17th Sr. Girl's basketball @ Holy Cross 5:00pm
- ✓ Friday, Jan. 20 & 21 Sr. Girl's basketball tournament in Kelowna
- ✓ Tuesday, Jan. 24th Sr. Girl's basketball @ Immaculata (Kelowna) 3:30pm
- ✓ Thursday, Jan. 26th Sr. Girl's basketball @ KVR 4:00pm
- ✓ Thursday, Jan. 26th Sr. Boy's basketball @ KVR 5:30pm
- ✓ Tuesday, Jan. 31st Sr. Girl's basketball @ SLMS 4:00pm
- ✓ Tuesday, Jan. 31st Sr. Boy's basketball @ SLMS 5:30pm

