

November 2008

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November's Virtue Conscience

A person of *conscience*...

- Chooses to do the 'right thing' and feels good about it
- Can see how his/her actions may hurt others
- Admits his/her wrong-doing and feels badly
- Says 'sorry' and tries to make up for mistakes
- Keeps promises

ON REFLECTION... What trials or troubles would I be willing to put up with in order to follow my conscience?

OUR DAILY PRAYER FOR NOVEMBER

Let us now pray... for the grace and strength to be people of *conscience* – people who know the good and decent way to act and then choose to act that way.

AMEN

Dates to Remember!

Nov. 7th : 1:00 p.m. School Mass at CTK
Nov. 14th : P.A Day
Dec. 5th : P.A. Day - Parent/student/teacher interviews

Remembrance and Peace

Those whom we remember this month are examples of your words.

“Greater love than this no one has than lay down one’s life for a friend”

This month we remember all those who lived and died for us: Their energy and their effort to defend our freedom for our loved ones and for our country.

Teach us to appreciate the value of patriotism...

A true and Christian love of country.

Let us grow in a love for our country that consists not of following blindly,

But of working together to make it the land of goodness that it should be.

Let our patriotism be such that it will not exclude the other nations of the world,

But to include them in a powerful love of country that has room for all others too.

Amen

Inclement Weather Reminders

Our winter season is slowly approaching. At this time we would like to remind all students to dress appropriately for the season by wearing the proper winter attire which should include hats, gloves/mitts, winter coats and boots. When students are dressed properly for the winter conditions, they can go outside and enjoy some fresh air and activity in comfort. There will be a few times during the course of the year where a recess may be shortened or held indoors due to extreme cold temperatures. Our school board policy states consideration should be given for keeping students indoors during recesses when the wind chill reaches -20°C .



Professional Activity Days: Friday, November 14th

On **Friday November 14th** teachers will be involved in assessment and evaluation activities and report card writing. There will be **no classes for students** on this day.



Reporting Periods

Report Cards for the first term for students in grades 1-8 will be sent home on **Tuesday, December 2nd, 2008.** Information regarding Parent/ Student/ Teacher Conferences for students in grades JK-8 will take place on the evening of Thursday December 4, and during the day on Friday December 5, 2007. More information regarding the conferences will be sent home at a later date.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Once again, the generosity of the Bishop Scalabrini community shone in your support of our Thanksgiving Food drive held in October. The St. Vincent de Paul Society will benefit greatly from your generosity and support.



Late Arrival/Early Leaves/ Interruptions

Important, serious, exciting, and interesting learning occurs at Bishop Scalabrini. Staff work diligently to ensure that time is not wasted, and that all students are engaged in all possible ways, every moment of the day. With this in mind, students who arrive late and / or leave early miss out on many valuable learning opportunities. We ask your assistance in the following ways;

- Please encourage your children to leave home so they arrive at the bus stop or school on time. Our entry bell rings at 8:45 a.m., so students should be on the property prior to 8:45 a.m. but not before 8:25 a.m. as this is when supervision on our yard begins. This also reduces the amount of sign-in traffic in our main office which prevents office staff from carrying out necessary duties. Students are dismissed at 3:15 p.m. at which time they are expected to head directly home.
- Whenever possible and appropriate, please try to schedule appointments, out of school activities, visits, etc. for before or after school hours. This way your child will not miss out on any aspect of the classroom / school program we are attempting to provide for them.
- If it is necessary for your child to leave school early for an appointment, please send a note to their teacher, indicating the time that you will pick him / her up. Staff will then try to ensure that your child is at the office, ready to go when you arrive, and we will not have to interrupt classes to call your child to the office. A reminder that our recess times are from 10:50 to 11:05 a.m. , Lunch is from 11:50 to 12:50 p.m. and afternoon recess is from 2:15 to 2:30 p.m.

School Lockdown Drill

It is a policy in Dufferin Peel CDSB that all of its schools conduct a “Lockdown Procedure” twice a year. This will be initiated should an emergency exist on school property or in the surrounding neighborhood. Part of the process is to practice the “Lockdown Procedures” as we practice our Fire Drills.



During the week of November 3rd, we will be conducting a Lockdown Drill with our staff and students. The procedures that we will follow have been recommended by the Board.

Students will be instructed that when they hear the announcements “Initiate Lockdown Procedure” followed by the repeated ringing of the bell, all staff and students will follow the following actions:

- A. All students and staff inside the building will remain in their classrooms.
- B. Students or staff in the hallways or washrooms will be expected to go to the closest classroom.
- C. Students and staff will remain in the classroom until further instructions are given,
- D. All students and staff who are outside the building are to quickly move as far away from the building as possible and remain there until further instructions are provided.

The drill will be conducted with as much sensitivity as possible in order not to cause undue concern with students. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Book Drive

A sincere **THANK YOU** to everyone who donated books to our book drive. Through your generosity we have received over 200 books! These books will be distributed according to age appropriateness used in the creation of classroom libraries. We will gladly continue to accept the donation of any gently used books you may have lying around at home.



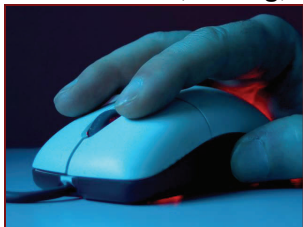
PEEL REGIONAL POLICE FEEDER SCHOOL OFFICER

We are pleased to announce that, as part of it’s Feeder School Program, Peel Regional Police have assigned Officer Tosh McBride to Bishop Scalabrini. Officer McBride will be conducting introductory classroom visits the week of November 3rd through November 7th. We welcome Officer McBride to Bishop Scalabrini and look forward to working together.

PEEL REGIONAL POLICE

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Safe, Caring, Healthy & Inclusive Schools Committee in Mississauga East



Present

...at the click of a mouse...

November 25th, 2008

6:45 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

St. Paul Secondary School

815 Atwater Ave. Mississauga.

(Cawthra/Atwater)

(905) 278-3994



Do you know where your child has been on the internet?

How do predators track children?

Can you trust the internet?

WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT IT?

To learn more about how to protect you and your family, join us for our information session.

Presenter:

Cst. C. Christidis - Internet Safety Co-Ordinator - Peel Regional Police

Refreshments & snacks will be available

For further information or to register, contact the school at

(905) 278-3994 Ext 77241

***This seminar includes adult, content material. Attendees must be 18 years of age or older. No children will be permitted.**

**----- Registration Tear-off -----
(Indicate info/number of persons attending in the box below and return to Vice Principal J. Dmytrasz at St. Paul SS by November 14.) Registrations may be sent via courier from Bishop Scalabrini**

**** will be attending the Internet Safety seminar at St. Paul Secondary School on Tuesday, November 25th, 2008.**

Name	Phone #.	e-mail
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Goetz Corner

As part of our partnership with Father Michael Goetz Secondary School we will, from time to time, provide you with information about important dates or events at Goetz. It is our hope that, through the sharing of this information, to strengthen our ties to our Secondary School and to assist the administration and staff of Father Michael Goetz in keeping parents and the community informed of events that are occurring at the high school.

Nov. 20/08	Parent/Teacher Interviews
Nov. 25/08	School Council Meeting
Nov. 28/08	Concert Band Feeder School Tour
Dec. 03/08	Advent Liturgy
Dec. 10,11,12	Musical Theatre
Dec. 22/08-Jan. 2/09	Christmas Holidays
Jan. 21 – Jan. 27/09	Exams
Jan. 30/09	Semester 2 begins
Feb. 05/09	Semester 1 Report Cards distributed
Jan. 14 / 09	Grade 8 Night

Arts and Culture Pathway Night at Iona

On Wednesday November 26th, Iona Catholic Secondary School will be holding an Arts and Culture Pathway Night in the cafeteria. This evening is designed to promote the Arts and Culture Pathway program at Iona. For more information, contact the school directly at **905 823 0136**.

Transportation Cancellations / School Closure Due to Inclement Weather

During the winter months inclement weather may cause disruption of bus transportation and regular school operations. A **decision to cancel school transportation and/or to close schools is usually made by 6:00 a.m. and will be announced on the following radio stations:**

VIRGIN RADIO 99.9	CHUM 1050	CFTR 680
CFNY 102.1	CJCL 590	CHFI 98.1
CFRB 1010	EZ ROCK 97.3	CJBC (FR) 860 AM
Z103.5	93.1 FM	CJMR/CHWO 1250
FOXY 88.5 FM	CHIN 100.7 FM/1540 AM	CBC
CITYPULSE	GLOBAL NEWS	CFTO
THE WEATHER NETWORK		

We will be communicating one of four standard messages to the radio stations. The four announcements and their effect on the transportation system are as follows: (Please note that the **highlighted text only** will be communicated by the radio stations).

1. “DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD BUSES SERVING ST. ANDREW, ST. BENEDICT AND ST. PETER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND R.F. HALL SECONDARY SCHOOL ARE CANCELLED FOR TODAY.”

2. THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD BUSES AND THE PEEL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD BUSES IN THE TOWN OF CALEDON AND THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN ARE CANCELLED”. This means that all runs listed under announcement #1 PLUS the following are cancelled. All schools in the Town of Caledon and all school runs that begin in the Town of Caledon. Individual schools will be notified if this cancellation affects their school.

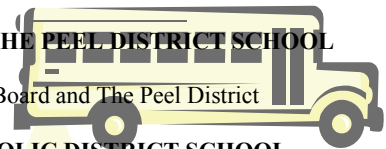
3. THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD AND THE PEEL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD BUSES ARE CANCELLED. *This means that:*

ALL Transportation services provided by the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board and The Peel District School Board, including buses, vans and taxis have been cancelled for the entire day.

4. “THE SCHOOLS AND OFFICES OF BOTH THE DUFFERIN-PEEL CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD AND THE PEEL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ARE CLOSED.” *This means that:*

ALL Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board and Peel District School Board schools and offices are closed to all students and staff.

N.B. For Secondary School students riding Public Transit, cancellation of service will be communicated by the respective transit property over the radio. Please be advised that Public Transit rarely cancels and that the level of service on days with inclement weather is unpredictable.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Hep B Clinic Gr. 7s	4 Big Kid Entertainment -Pizza Day	5 Dairy Farmers Milk Presentation Grades 1-3	6 Officer McBride to visit	7 1:00 p.m. School Mass	8
9	10	11 Pizza Day	12	13	14 P.A. Day No classes for students	15
16	17	18 Pizza Day	19	20 Picture Retakes Gr. 6's to Living Arts Centre	21	22
23	24	25 Pizza Day	26	27	28	29
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