

# October Newsletter - 2011



Grade fours 'hanging out'

During the month of October we celebrate Thanksgiving. On Thanksgiving day we pause and thank God for all we have. More specifically, our health, our family, our friends, our community and the presence of God in our lives.

A reminder for parents that you are welcome to our school mass on Friday, October 14th as the grade four class will help us celebrate the 'good news'.

Thanks to the families who came out to our Meet the Teacher Potluck Dinner! It was another great St. Mary's School Community event.

Finally, we would like to thank you, our school parents, for your continued support with our volunteer needs. Working together as a team is the one way we can ensure that your child's needs are being met.

The theme for Catholic Education throughout our Diocese This year is "CATHOLIC SCHOOLS – iBelieve,iLearn,iPray". We will recall this theme as our children work, pray and play together.

Please join us for our school masses throughout the year. Remember, at St. Mary's School, We put our Faith in Learning!

## *St. Mary's Catholic School*

### Important Dates in October

4<sup>th</sup> – PSG Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> – Cross Country @ IC School

10<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving –No School

12<sup>th</sup> – Pancake Breakfast

14<sup>th</sup> – School Mass Gr 4

15– 17<sup>th</sup> – St. Mary's on Quiz Me

21<sup>st</sup> – Pro D Day

23<sup>rd</sup> – Parish/School Mass 11 am

28<sup>th</sup> Family Halloween Dance

31<sup>st</sup> – Assembly



## What is Happening at St. Mary's School in October



Gr 2 & 7 Buddies



### Reminders!

- Kids for Kindness – October's theme is Respect. Respect is valuing ourselves and others. We treat others how we want to be treated. Every man, woman and child deserves respect, including you.
- Sports Beat – Great job Huskies at the Cross Country Meet at Heritage! Good luck at the Cross Country Meet at IC on Tuesday. Thanks to Mr. T. for coordinating the events. Senior volleyball to start next week.
- Speech Arts Club – This popular event is starting up again with a meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> at lunch. Thank you to Mrs. O'Reilly for leading this club.
- Read Around the House – We had a great number of students who participated in this reading activity for the month of September. Keep it up St. Mary's!
- Re-Takes – Retakes will take place on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30 am. Remember retakes need to be prepaid.
- Family Halloween Dance – This big family event will take place on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 pm. There is a volunteer sheet located outside the office.

Criminal Record Checks - We are asking that all parents who would like to volunteer in any way with the school, whether it is on field trips or in the school, please fill out a criminal record check (available at the office) and bring it to the RCMP office on Brunswick Street.

Uniform - All grades 1-7 must wear the school uniform.

Girls: Light blue crested polo shirt, light blue blouse, navy blue crested sweater, royal blue crested vest, or fleece. Grey tunic, dress pants, skirt or walking shorts.

Boys: Light blue crested polo shirt, light blue dress shirt, navy blue crested sweater, royal blue crested vest, or fleece. Grey dress pants, cords or walking shorts.

No Sweat Pants Please.

For ordering information please contact the office.

Pancake Breakfast – On Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> we will be having our first pancake and sausage breakfast of the year. Come on out for some hot breaky and all donations go to our foster child. Breakfast is from 7:30 – 8:20. We are open for parents to help with the clean up.

Absentee Notes – Please remember to send hand written absentee notes to the school the day your child returns after being absent. These notes are needed for our qualifying student audit in May to ensure our full government funding. There is an absentee note you can download from our website as well.