

# St. Gregory Catholic School News

October 2017

## Support Catholic Education

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ELIGIBLE CATHOLIC RATEPAYERS

Catholic education has been an integral part of Ontario's history for more than 160 years. As a vital component of the province's publicly funded education system, Catholic schools educate nearly 600,000 students each year. Did You Know? Your school support defaults to English Public each time you move residences. You must re-declare yourself as English Separate. It is important to regularly verify your tax-directed support by checking your property tax bill or speaking to your landlord. You may also call the Municipal Property Assessment Office at 1-866-296-6722. By ensuring that you are registered as a separate school supporter, you are helping to deliver a powerful message to the Ontario government about the level of support for publicly funded Catholic education in your district.

The Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board wishes to thank the community of separate school supporters for their continued support of Catholic education in our district.

## Vaccination Information

All Grade 7 students will receive Hepatitis B and Meningococcal immunizations. All Grade 8 girls will receive the HPV immunization. There will be 2 clinics:  
Clinic 1 – Friday October 27, 2017  
Clinic 2 – Monday January 29, 2018  
Clinic 3 – Friday May 4, 2018  
For further information about these immunizations, parents are asked to *contact the North Bay Parry Sound Health Unit (705-474-1400 ext. 2222).*

## Student Pick-up

**Our school day concludes at 2:50 pm. On a regular day when you are picking up your child, we ask that you arrive at 2:45pm and please wait in the school Library and sign your child out upon pick up.**  
**If you are picking your child up earlier in the day, please check in at the office and your child will be called to the office for you.**

## Visitor Sign-In

*To ensure the safety and security of our students, we all visitors to adhere to the sign-in protocol. Please stop by the office upon arrival and sign yourself into our **Visitor Registry Book**, don't forget to sign out on your departure.*

## Save the Dates

- PA Day, October 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Thanksgiving Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>
- Mass, October 12<sup>th</sup> @11am
- Pizza & Grilled Cheese orders due, October 25
- Picture day, October 26<sup>th</sup>
- Immunizations, October 27<sup>th</sup>
- Halloween, October 31<sup>st</sup>

## Picture Day

Picture day will take place on Thursday October 26, 2017. The cost of the pictures and order forms will be provided by the photography company. Various costs/packages are available for your selection. Don't forget to smile!

## School Cash Online

A reminder that all payments that are required are to be made through school cash online. To register, please visit School Cash Online at <https://npsc.cschoolcashonline.com> for more details. Please see Mrs. White in the office if you require assistance.

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## Sacramental Preparation

The school, church and home work together to ensure that children are prepared to receive the Sacraments. You will be notified by letter when the different Sacramental preparation dates are determined and when the Sacraments will take place.

For those of you who are not baptized, please feel free to contact Father Tony at St. Joseph Church as he is willing to perform that Sacrament.

## Cross Country Winners

The junior boys cross-country team came first overall at the NPSC district race. Way to go STG!

## Halloween

Students are invited to wear costumes (no masks or costume props please) to school on October 31<sup>st</sup>. We will have our Parade of costumes immediately following entry to school at 8:30 am. Please remember that we are a MILK and FISH aware school and Peanut and Nut-free School.

## Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is quickly approaching. Our staff would like to wish you all a peaceful and happy Thanksgiving. Remember, there is no school on Monday October 9<sup>th</sup>.



We have been adopted by Coles Northgate as recipients of books to help support our school Library.

Please visit [adoptaschool.indigo.ca](http://adoptaschool.indigo.ca) from September 16 to October 8th to help support this program.



## Catholic School Advisory Council

Our next Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC) will be held on **Tuesday October 10, 2017 @ 5:30pm. All parents and guardians are invited to attend.**

## ALLERGIES

Reminder that we have children in our school with severe and life threatening allergies to peanuts, tree nuts, fish and milk. We are a MILK and FISH aware school and Peanut and Nut-free School.

## Medication

We cannot dispense medication to a student unless it is prescribed by a physician. If your child requires medication during the school year, please have your physician complete the "Request for Administration of Oral Medication" form that has been sent home with your child and you can obtain one at the office any time. All medication must be kept at the office with written instructions.

## Fall is in the Air



Just a friendly reminder that as the weather changes, children will need warmer clothing. Even though the sun is shining it can get pretty cold out in the back open yard.

## Breakfast Club

St. Gregory offers a Breakfast Program for all students every day of the week. The menu is planned in advance and is in accordance with health and Nutrition Guidelines. If you are able to donate the following are items that would be greatly appreciated:

- Hot cereal (oatmeal)
- Plain cheerios
- Corn flakes
- Mini frosted shreddies
- Rice krispies
- Frosted flakes
- Pretzel
- Crackers
- Margarine
- Rice cakes
- Plastic spoons
- \* Sandwich zip lock baggies
- \* Apple sauce
- \* gift cards (donations)
- \* Styrofoam cups
- \* Snack zip lock bags





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**Safe Arrival:**  
 705-752-3482  
**School Cash Online**  
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**\*November Pizza and Grilled Cheese Orders before October 25<sup>th</sup> on school cash**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**October 2017**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 	3 	4 	5 Chocolate Bar Campaign begins	6	7
8 	9	10 	11 	12 Mass @ 11:00	13	14
15	16	17 	18 	19	20	21
22	23	24 	25 	26 Picture Day	27 Chocolate Bar Campaign Ends Immunizations	28
29	30	31  Halloween Activities				