



Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Thank you to our Grade 1's for their celebration of our Black Heritage Month liturgy as well as to our Grade 8 students for their beautiful informational artwork that is displayed in our front foyer. This is a friendly reminder that our March Break is from March 13th – 17th, 2023. We look forward to welcoming our students and staff back to school on Monday, March 20th, 2023.

Please see the information below for other important information regarding our upcoming week at Holy Spirit CES.

Lenten Mass

We are looking forward to this year's YCDSB annual System-Wide Lenten Mass which will be celebrated virtually by Bishop Boissonneau on **March 22nd, 2023, at 9:30 am**. We will be celebrating together in the gym for this Mass.

Lent is the time of year when Christian people begin their forty-day journey toward Easter. During Lent, we are reminded that we are called to practice the three traditional acts:

- Prayer – For the Good of the Soul
- Fasting: For the Good of the Body
- Almsgiving/Charity: For the Good of Others

This month we will pray the prayer below during our morning announcements as we remind ourselves of the three traditional acts and our virtue of perseverance. Please feel free to share with your family this Lenten season.

God of the Journey, walk with us this Lent.
Teach us to pray, fast, and give in ways that
bring us closer to you.
Help us to **persevere** in staying with you
on the journey through Lent to Easter.
Amen.



Halloween Prizes Update

On Friday, March 10th, all students will be receiving their popcorn prize. Every student will receive a free bag of butter and salt popcorn. If your child is absent, a bag will be saved for them upon their return.

On Wednesday, April 5th, every student in the school will be receiving a free slice of pizza. Please ensure that students pack extra food and snacks on this day. Information will be sent home next week.

Our Extra Recess and Ice Dawg prizes will be communicated in the Spring as well as our Slime the Principal Day!

Intermediate Basketball Tournaments

On Monday, March 6th, we wish our Intermediate Boys Basketball Team all the best as they visit Our Lady of Hope for their tournament. On Tuesday, March 7th, we wish our Intermediate Girls Basketball Team all the best as they play their tournament at OLG. Go Flames!

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. A. Modica

Principal

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Important Dates:

Mon. March 6th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hot Lunch: Delicious Greek• Intermediate Boys Basketball at OLH
Tues. March 7th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Intermediate Girls Basketball at OLG
Wed. March 8th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hot Lunch: Pizza Pizza
Fri. March 10th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hot Lunch: A & W
March 13 th – 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• March Break