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Report Cards

Please review the Term 3 Report Card with your son/daughter. We are in the first week of Term 4, with less than 35 teaching days until the commencement of final exams. It is important for students to settle into a proper study routine with such a short time left before final exams. Although Parent – Teacher Meetings are not scheduled for this reporting period, do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher via email. Contact information is available on the school's website.

Farewell to Mr. Woodland

Mr. Woodland, one of our Assistant Principals, has accepted the position as Program Development Specialist for Science (K-12) with the Department of Education. He begins his new position May 2. We wish Mr. Woodland the very best in his new role at the Department of Education. A replacement Assistant Principal will be in place May 2.

Congratulations Mr. Normore

On April 2 Mr. Glenn Normore was inducted by the Newfoundland and Labrador Sports Hall of Fame in the Athlete/Builder category. He played for Acadia University from 1974-1976, placing 3rd in the Canadian Interuniversity Sport in 1975. In 1978, Glenn competed with the Newfoundland Team at the Junior Nationals and won a silver medal, where he was named the MVP, top scorer and named to the tournament all-star team. From 1980 to 1995 Glenn won six consecutive titles in the St. John's Men's Division 1 League and one with Memorial University. During this time, he also won several provincial championships and was named MVP in nearly every tournament. In addition to playing and coaching at an elite level, Glenn also served on the board of Canada Basketball and was Canada's representative with the Federation International Basketball Association. Glenn Normore has had a successful career as an athlete, coach and administrator and is well respected in the basketball community. Congratulations Mr. Normore!

Social Studies

Grade 8 Social Studies students visited The Rooms to attend the production "A Patriotic Concert for Our Soldier Lads" by Kevin Major. Students were also treated to a one on one session with Kevin Major who told them stories of the soldiers upon whom the production was based. As a special gift to students, any grade 8 student who attended this production was given a complimentary pass to see "No Man's Land" in Trinity this summer! See Ms. Chislett for further details.

30 Hour Famine

Thirty-two Career Education students participated in the 3rd annual 30 hour Famine for World Vision March 30-31. Students went without food for 30 hours, drinking water and juice only and had one bowl of rice for supper March 31. Students stayed after school Thursday to participate in team building activities in support of this fundraiser. To date, students have raised \$2264.45. Great Job! Special thanks go to our student committee: Karlee Power, Casey Stone, Isabella White, Sabrina Reid and Steven Driscoll and teacher sponsor Ms. Billard Martin.

French

On March 12th Shawn Doyle and Michael Gardiner participated in the Canadian Parents for French speak off's at Memorial University. Both boys were excellent representatives of our school and did a fantastic job. Michael placed third in his division. Félicitation!

On April 7th, twenty-five level 1 – 3 French students participated in the annual *French for the Future* student workshops at the INCO Innovation Centre. *French for the Future* is a not-for-profit organization that encourages and promotes linguistic duality in Canada by highlighting its positive social and career benefits. Students were also treated to a production of "La Bête à Sept Tête".

We wish to extend a sincere thank you and goodbye to Ms. Devon Sharpe who was a MUN intern with our French Department this winter. Devon did a fantastic job and we wish her the best of luck.

Science

Junior High Science Night in March was once again a great evening. A fine showcase of student projects was the main event, but visitors were also treated to a variety of technology and lab demonstrations. Thank you teachers and students!

Holy Heart High School is hosting a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) competition on April 15, and both Math and Science departments are pleased to send a team of five students to represent our school as they compete with teams from other high schools!

Let's Talk Science Competition: Grades 7, 8, and 9 is a Canada-wide event, with five teams of Holy Trinity students taking on the challenge. This event will be at Memorial University on May 3! The winner of this competition will later go on to represent Newfoundland and Labrador. A special thank you is extended to Mr. Terry Gardiner and NALCOR for their assistance.

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Math

Congratulations to the junior high students who participated in the Jr. High Math League Competition in March. Their efforts led them to a bronze medal win for our school. The participants were Sarah Butler, Shaylyn Codner, Jiwon Ha, Terriah Hanson, Kelsey Menard, Neeson Mello, and Niamh Molloy. Senior high students also recently participated in two Sr High Math League Competitions.

In February, 90 of our Grade 9 – Level II students wrote the University of Waterloo Mathematics Competition. The results are as follows:

Grade 9: 1st Place: Kelsey Menard, 2nd Place: Alexander Peters, 3rd Place: Lucas Ings-Simms & Paige MacDonald. Level I: 1st Place – Shamus Mayo, 2nd Place – Jimmy MacDonald, 3rd Place – Courtney Jones. Level II: 1st Place – Riley Brooks, 2nd Place – Michael Fitzpatrick, 3rd Place – Jacob Elkins. Congratulations to all who participated!

In March, we celebrated “Pi Week” with many fun mathematical activities for our Grade 7 – 9 students. We had a scavenger hunt, a “pi” memorization contest, mental math challenges, and a daily math challenge for each grade. Prizes were awarded to students who won each contest and Pizza “Pi” parties were held for the classes who won the scavenger hunt. All students had great fun during the week and we hope to continue with this activity each year.

In May, our Grade 7 and 8 students will be writing the University of Waterloo Contests.

Prom News

Last minute plans are being finalized for this year’s Prom to be held at the Sheraton Hotel on May 7th. Parents are asked to ensure that all outstanding fees are paid at this time. As well, hoodies should be in by Friday, April 15th. The cost is \$30 and orders should be brought to Ms. Downey.

Parents will receive an important letter the week after Easter regarding times, tickets, and important reminders for Prom Day. Please remind your son or daughter to listen for important Prom announcements each morning and ensure that you receive the Prom reminder letter from your son or daughter. If pictures for the slide show have not been brought in, please have your son or daughter do so ASAP as the slide show committee is eagerly trying to finish the slideshow.

A Grad fun night is planned for April 19th and tickets should now be purchased for this event as well. The cost is \$20.

Band News

Our Senior Concert Band and Senior Jazz Band have just returned from a trip to California that was very successful and rewarding. Students had fun visiting amusement parks and beaches, and walking along the Hollywood Walk of Fame. They saw the stars of many famous actors and musicians printed in the sidewalk. We visited the Walt Disney Concert Hall in downtown Los Angeles where the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra rehearses, and toured the Grammy Museum where students were able to see the history of pop music through displays, interactive kiosks, and videos. We also performed in a local school, but our primary reason for visiting California was to participate in a Heritage Music Festival, where both groups achieved Silver awards. Their hard work was evident in strong performances, and they should all be very proud of their accomplishments.

Any student currently in Grades 7-10 who was previously in band (elementary school, etc) and would like to re-join should see Mr. Collins in the next few weeks to submit their name. Students will be expected to work hard to improve their skill level, and will start regular rehearsals in September 2011. Students currently in Grades 8-10 who are successful would qualify to participate in the next band trip in 2013 and be eligible for three extra credits during high school.

Festive Fall Gala 2010

Due to the success of the 2010 Festive Fall Gala Fundraiser, the school was able to purchase ten SmartBoards, five desktop computers, five Netbooks, five monitors, one Macbook Pro, two microphone stands, two sets of volleyball uniforms, twelve basketballs, twelve volleyballs, and four gym benches. Thank you for your generous support!

The School Council is currently considering another fundraiser next year in the form of a Festive Fall Gala 2011. We would appreciate your feedback. Please email hthschoolcouncil@gmail.com with your thoughts or suggestions.

Guidance Department News

Congratulations to Level 3 student Michael Gardiner on winning a Toyota Earth Day Scholarship valued at \$5000. The Toyota Earth Day Scholarship Program encourages and rewards graduating Canadian high school students who have distinguished themselves through environmental community service, extracurricular and volunteer activities, and academic excellence.