

## **Summer Holidays are here!!**

The staff of Holy Trinity High wishes our students a safe and fun filled summer holiday. We hope that your hard work and commitment to your academics have paid off with a rewarding report card. Have a great summer!

## **Unreturned Textbooks and Locks**

Students who have received outstanding book or lock bills should return books/ locks or pay the replacement cost on Friday, June 27 at the main office. Textbooks for 2015-2016 will not be issued for students with outstanding books.

## **Supplementary Exams (Public Exam courses)**

Students who need to write a public exam supplementary may find the August Supplementary Exam schedule [online](#).

## **Supplementary Exams (Non-Public Exam Courses)**

Supplementary exams for non-public exam courses will take place at the school on Monday, September 14 for Science and Social Studies; Tuesday, September 15 for Math; Wednesday, September 16 for English. Students are to register at the school office on or before Friday, September 11. A fee of \$35 must accompany the registration form.

## **Public Exam Results**

Official transcripts will be issued to students in July and will provide students with basic information concerning Supplementary Exams for Public Exam Courses. Registration for the August 2015 Supplementary Public Exams must be completed through the Department of Education and the registration form can be accessed through our website.

## **Summer School**

Registration for Summer School 2015 will take place on Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Brother Rice Junior High. Classes are tentatively scheduled to begin on Thursday July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 and will run daily from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Classes finish on Wednesday July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015. There will be a 15 minute recess break each day. No holidays will be observed. The registration fee is \$185.00 per course. Registration fees must be paid on Registration Day. No personal cheques will be accepted. Payment can be made by Cash, Visa, MasterCard or Debit.

## **Math Dept. News:**

In February, 90 of our students in Grades 9-11 wrote the University of Waterloo Math Competitions. The results for our school are as follows: Grade 9: 1<sup>st</sup> Marcus Furlong, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alexander Menchions and Jacob Manning (tied), and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mitchell Murphy. Grade 10: 1<sup>st</sup> Alberta Hansen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lucas Menard, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Matthew Senior. Grade 11: 1<sup>st</sup> Evan Penney, 2<sup>nd</sup> Griffith Parry and Noah Griffiths (tied), and 3<sup>rd</sup> Eric Mello. Medals for first place were presented in the assembly today as well as certificates of distinction for those students who achieved a high level in the competition. Congratulations also to Marcus Furlong for winning the Zone 1 prize of \$75 in the Grade 9 Pascal Contest and placing in the top 3% of students in Canada. He was ranked 623 among 25273 participating students. In the team competition made up of the top three scores, Marcus along with Jacob Manning and Alexander Menchions placed fourth in the zone and seventh across the country.

# Holy Trinity High School

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In May, Evan Penney, a Grade 11 student was invited to participate in the Blundon Seminar held at Memorial University. Evan was selected based on his performance in the University of Waterloo Math Competition held in February.

In May, 60 of our Grade 7 and 8 students wrote the University of Waterloo Gauss Mathematics Competitions. In Grade 7, the top three students were Calista Bigelow, Noah Baker, and Kyle McGrath. In Grade 8, the top three students were Michael Price, Lauren White, and Eric Senior. Outstanding Achievement Certificates were awarded to first place students, Certificates of Distinction were awarded to all students who ranked in the top 25% of the students at Holy Trinity High and, as well, participation certificates were given to all students who participated in the competition. These certificates were presented at the closing assembly today.

Parents are reminded when purchasing school supplies for September that all Senior High Math students must have a scientific calculator. Students in Academic or Advanced Math should have a graphing calculator which will be used for all their math courses throughout high school. Check the Back to School Flyers in August for discounted prices. When purchasing a graphing calculator please purchase the TI-83Plus or TI-84Plus models.

All students in Grade 7-9 will also need a calculator. A 4 function calculator with  $\sqrt{\quad}$  or a scientific calculator will be sufficient for junior high.

## **Math Scholarship Score 3203**

Students who write Mathematics 3200 will automatically have a Math Scholarship Score 3203 placed on their transcripts. This ensures that the overall provincial scholarship score calculated from Mathematics 3200 and Mathematics 3201 is consistent for both courses. The student's Math Scholarship Score 3203 is based on a scale derived from the 3200 students' examination result. It has no credit value and it will be used in the calculation of the overall provincial scholarship score for graduating students. The higher of the two grades reflected on a student's transcript for Mathematics Scholarship Score 3203 or Mathematics 3200 will also be used by Memorial University to satisfy the grade 12 Mathematics subject area requirement and calculate the student's entrance average.

## **Mental Health Awareness**

On April 24th, 25th we had six students from Grade 9 - Level II attend the Provincial Youth Mental Wellness Conference - *Mental Health Matters* - at Holy Heart. Throughout the weekend students attended lectures, workshops, and discussion all focused on aspects of mental health and the importance of ending the stigma. This resulted in the formation of a "Mental Wellness" group at HTH. This group's first initiative was to do class presentations on the importance of taking care of mental health, and all students were introduced to Eastern Health's APP, "Bridge the gAPP" ([www.bridgethegapp.ca](http://www.bridgethegapp.ca)) which supports and promotes mental wellness amongst youth.

## **HTH Art Spot**

The 2014-2015 school year has proven once again to be a successful year for the HTH art program. With such tremendous artistic talent at Holy Trinity High School, this year's art classes created many beautifully unique works of art. During our Annual Evening with the Arts, students had the opportunity to showcase these works. The night was a great success that not only included a student art exhibition, but also solo musical performances and songs from the school choir and the ukulele club. The Drama group

also performed their play "Lockdown", which they put off earlier in the year at Drama Fest. Thanks to all who came out to see the show. We hope next year's event will be even more successful!

As for our art curriculum, students completed projects in the areas of drawing, painting, sculpture and printmaking. Many of the works were displayed in the art room and around the school during various times of the year. Our Grade 7 students had a lot of fun with stop motion animation and made some wonderful mini films. The creativity and talent never ceases to amaze!

**HTH Art Spot** can be found through Ms. Channing's webpage or by visiting [hthart.blogspot.com](http://hthart.blogspot.com) and is a hub for information about ongoing or upcoming projects, interesting art news and info about what is going on at HTH. It will be up and running again in September.

## **Dinn Theatre Report 2015**

As usual, there has been plenty of activity in the Dinn Theatre during the 2015 school year. The year started off with Mr. Brenton's Junior and Senior High Improv teams many lunchtime practices and local performances in school competitions. Leading up to Thanksgiving, a group of Drama students lead a group of musicians and artists who volunteered to perform at lunchtime for donations to the local food bank. Preparations for the annual Christmas Variety show "On the Subject of Christmas" began early this year as the show becomes bigger and better highlighting the many talents of our students at HTH. The set, the writing, the lighting and sound and all performances were managed by students for the show on the last day before Christmas holidays this year under the direction of Mrs. Clarke and Mr. Brenton. Following on the heels of this great show was the Eastern Regional Drama Festival at the LSPU hall in February. The Senior High Drama group under the direction of Mr. Brenton performed the play "Lockdown" to a full house and rave reviews. This play was again performed at our annual "Evening with the Arts" in March. This show once again put a spotlight on the talents of our performing artists, ians, singers, dancers and actors at HTH. Throughout the year, students in Drama 2206 have been involved in a variety of activities including film work which has produced some memorable performances.

## **Duke of Edinburgh**

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is an exciting self development program consisting of four sections (service, skills, physical recreation and adventurous journey). Students enrolled as part of the Holy Trinity High group have been busy this school year working on their bronze and silver award levels. Our school is planning training and our practice/qualifying adventurous journey for September 2015. Current participants and new participants are welcome. For further information on the award, please visit the Duke website at [www.dukeofed.org](http://www.dukeofed.org). You can also follow our provincial chapter on twitter at @thedukeofednl

## **Science Department**

At Holy Trinity High School, our students have many opportunities to participate in innovative, real-world science activities. Our science teachers do not hesitate to take advantage of opportunities. We also have parents who also give generously of their time and talents to provide innovative experiences for our students.



If you are a student, do consider taking part in our many activities. If you are a parent, do encourage your son/daughter to take part, or if you have an interest or talent, do consider coming on-board to share with

our students. One more thing—we have lots of fun! Experiences are very rewarding for students, teachers and parent-volunteers!!

**Junior High Science Club News** Congratulations to our HTH Junior High Science Club who received a grant from the [Conservation Corps of Newfoundland and Labrador](#) to begin a school vegetable garden. With the support of students, staff and local companies we have begun our garden. Mr. Whelan's class built raised garden beds and students stayed behind after school to complete the garden. We are currently growing: rutabagas, carrots, onions, lettuce, kale, spinach, radish and tomatoes. Special thanks to the [Conservation Corps](#), [Perfectly Perennial Herbs and Seeds](#) (Pouch Cove), Mr. Dan Rubin, [The Seed Company](#) (St. John's), Mr. Whelan, students and staff for your support in making this project possible.

**The All-Science Challenge CHAMPIONS for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row!!** Congratulations to ALL six teams from HTH who took part in this district-wide competition April 29<sup>th</sup> at MUN which comprised of a full day of science, technology, engineering and math – all wrapped up in fun and excitement! This event includes an exciting question and answer competition with a fun, hands-on design challenge that inspires students to acquire science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) knowledge beyond their curriculum. Congratulations, Tigers!

**Eastern NL Regional Science Fair** Congratulations to Ashleen Molloy and Gracie Barbeau for representing Holy Trinity High on April 17 and 18 at HHM. Special congratulations to Gracie for receiving the Northeast Avalon Atlantic Coastal Action Plan Award 2015 for the best Science Fair project related to watershed. Great work!

**Underwater Robotics** An underwater ROV, or Remotely Operated Vehicle, is a tethered underwater robot used to perform specialized tasks in numerous industries such as scientific research, the oil and gas industry, salvage operations and exploration of ship wrecks, ocean engineering, and many others.

On April 30 – May 2, Holy Trinity Junior and Senior High Underwater Robotics Teams participated in a competition at the [Marine Institute](#). We were the only school to have two teams of students, the Scouts and Rangers, and therefore TWO ROVs designed and built to complete designated tasks.

This year's competition theme highlighted the role that ROVs play in scientific exploration of the Arctic. Our students also had the opportunity to tour and operate the Marine Institute's ROV simulator, which is used in the instruction of post- secondary students. What an exciting several days! They had the opportunity to 'fly' their robots—in the largest [Flume Tank in the World](#) as they carried out their Arctic Ice Missions! Both teams were recognized for their 21<sup>st</sup> designs, engineering presentations, and posters!!! Congratulations to both teams - who designed and built their robots 'from scratch'. Take a look at this [exciting video](#), made by Mr. Lomond, of the Scouts' ROV at the competition! A special thank you to parent volunteers Keith Ledwell and Stephen Lomond for their numerous hours spent working with the ROV teams. Thank you, as well, to Mr. Whelan for the use of his lab.

**The Newfoundland and Labrador Model Bridge Building Competition** is an opportunity for students to develop critical-thinking skills in designing and completing an actual small-scale engineering project. On March 9, with over 100 entries, our students put their amazing bridges to the test at the Johnson Geo Centre. We have received [the results of the Province-wide Model Bridge-Building Competition](#). We are delighted to report that we have two bridges in the Top Ten Overall Scores and two students in the Top 10 Maximum Loads! Congratulations to Cameron Loveys for his bridge at 8<sup>th</sup> place overall and Cameron Paul and Liam Power for 9<sup>th</sup> Place. Congratulations to Cameron Loveys for 2<sup>nd</sup> place in top 10 max loads—his bridge could hold 689.7 kg and Zoe Park for 5<sup>th</sup> place – her bridge could hold 602.8 kg. Congratulations to ALL who designed, built, and tested their bridges!!

**A 'Day on the Bay'- Ocean FieldTrip with Coastal Explorers** The Grade 8 French Immersion Science class was selected as the winner in a contest for a "day on the bay" with Coastal Explorers. The Coastal Explorers field school is an experiential outdoor program in marine science and technology. The class was invited to participate in a day-long hands on program and complete a variety of activities including operating an ROV and dissecting squid at the shoreline and onboard the 'floating classroom', the MV Coastal Explorer with Captain Jan on June 5th. It was a perfect way to celebrate World Oceans Day and to cap off the school year. Coastal Explorers is a partner of the [OLP \(Oceans Learning Partnership\)](#) whose goal is to expose youth to the world of ocean science. Coastal Explorers continues to provide [opportunities for ocean exploration](#) during the summer for learners of all ages.

**GeoCentre –World Oceans' Day and David Cameron's, 'Deepsea Challenge'**. This year as part of World Oceans Day, the Johnson Geo Center had a "DEEPSEA CHALLENGE" contest for local grade 8 students and our very own Mackenzie Tilley came out on top with a fantastic poem about the importance of exploring our oceans. The contest included an all expenses paid fieldtrip to the Geo Center where students had the opportunity to view the 3-D Blockbuster documentary "DEEPSEA CHALLENGE" produced by Oscar award winner, David Cameron. Local underwater robotics expert Dr. Adam Gobi was part of the team that designed the robotics equipment used in the expedition and he was present to talk about his role throughout the challenge. Our students had tons of interesting questions for Dr. Gobi who was overwhelmed by the interest our students had in his ventures.

A full meal was provided and an opportunity to view the other exhibits currently on display. A special thanks to Metro Bus who sponsored the contest and provided the transportation of our students. It really was a great afternoon!

### **Marine Institute Model Boat Race**

Congratulations to students who participated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Marine Institute's Model Boat Race competition, on Saturday Oct. 24th, 2014. 11 teams participated from NLESD, and Holy Trinity had two of those teams: *Team Chop-Chop* and *Dream Team*.

*Team Chop Chop* came in second in the boat race with an amazing time of 16.7 seconds!

*Dream Team* won a trophy for the best poster and design booklet.

A huge thank you to parents and mentors Stephen Lomond and Keith Ledwell who tirelessly helped with the boat building. Also student alumni and mentors Melanie Sullivan, Kelsey Menard and Jared Lewis helped out along the way. Many evenings and weekends were spent brain storming and building remote control operated boats. Way to go boat builders. We look forward to boat-building again next year! If you would like more information of the MI Boat Race, please go to: <http://www.mi.mun.ca/boatrace/>

**Wolffish Research** A group of Science 1206 students participated in real-time [MUN and DFO research](#) on board the Coastal Explorer, off of Holyrood in the Fall. The Coastal Explorer through [Coastal Connections](#) works with [Oceans' Learning Partnership](#) linking their field program to curriculum outcomes. Students collected samples and data, and their work added to the ongoing research. A virtual lab of the research activities was presented upon returning from the trip. Special thanks are extended to [Mr. Pat Wells](#), Science Dept. Head, at Holy Spirit High School for writing a proposal and receiving a grant to enable several NLESD schools to avail of this wonderful opportunity.

**The Shad Valley** Program is a highly-competitive, four-week summer program. It is designed for top students in senior high school to find an edge in the competitive, knowledge-based world of tomorrow. It's an experience unlike anything else, combining entrepreneurship with science and technology. Congratulations and best wishes to Evan Penney who will attend the University of Waterloo, as a Shad Valley Scholar 2015. He joins Terriah Hansen and Kelsey Menard, Shad Valley Scholars 2014 and 2013, who participated in this prestigious program at the University of Waterloo in previous summers. All the best, Evan!

**Summer and Science!** Congratulations and best wishes to HTH students taking advantage of opportunities to broaden their interest in science during the summer with participation in [WISE](#), [MedQuest](#) and [ArcticEngineer](#). We look forward to hearing about your exciting adventures. [ArcticEngineer](#) is still accepting applicants, although WISE and MedQuest deadlines have past.

**ArcticEngineer -which is still accepting applicants, until July 2!** This is a program like no other! Geared specifically for high school students who are excelling in science courses, the ArcticENGINEER is a week-long enrichment program designed to expose participants to the dynamic world of Arctic Engineering. Students will learn about the vast roles that Engineers play in Arctic research, as well as the many reasons that they should be excited about their own possibilities in this growing field. Participants in this program will have opportunities to see some of the most interesting and advanced technology that is available in the industry, as well as work with experts in the field of Arctic Engineering. The deadline for application is July 2. **Dates:** July 27 - 31 or August 3 - August 7. **Program Cost:** \$200.00 for the week. For more information and to get an application form, visit the [ArcticEngineer website](#).

[MedQuest](#) is an exciting, career-oriented summer program for students in grades 10-12 in Newfoundland and Labrador. **We are happy to report that several of our students in Grades 10 – 12 have been accepted for this summer's program!** We wish them all the best. They will be introduced to the fascinating world of the health sciences such as doctors, physiotherapists, pharmacists, dentists, veterinarians, nurses or researchers. Students will enjoy lectures, demonstrations, experiments, research projects, guest speakers, and tours of health facilities. The deadline has now passed for this year, however, for your reference for next year, students must apply for **MedQUEST** and there is a \$200.00 registration fee if accepted. If residence accommodations are required the fee is \$300.00. For more information, visit the [MedQuest website](#).

**WISE** – Women in Science and Engineering, Student Summer Employment Program (SSEP) WISE is for Grade 11 girls who are interested in exploring careers in science and engineering. Eight-week paid job placements (July 2 – August 22) are complimented with workplace tours, social and networking activities. The deadline was April 30. **We are delighted that several of our Grade 11 girls have received exciting placements for this summer!** All the best, girls. The deadline has now passed for this year. For future reference and more information please visit the [WISE website](#).

## **Science Teachers Retiring**

Congratulations to Holy Trinity's long time Science teachers Ms. Dianne Neil and Ms. Carol Roberts (Science Department Head) both of whom are retiring this June.

Ms Neil and Ms Roberts have been teaching in the Science department at Holy Trinity High since the early 1990's. They have been integral in making the science department the success it is today. Ms Roberts and Ms Neil were a formidable team in the classroom. Over the years they have co-taught Science 1206 integrating science instruction using innovative teaching methods, real life tasks, a variety of assessment and the ability to adapt instruction to best meet the needs of all students.



They have the ability to change people's lives, sharing the excitement of learning with students and colleagues alike. Our best wishes travel with both Ms Roberts and Ms Neil.

**Communication:** Parents and Students, to keep up-to-date regarding science opportunities and activities, visit the [Science Department Website](#) and/or follow @hthscience on [Twitter](#).

## **French Dept News:**

### **Study French in Quebec (grades 9-12)**

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, through the Department of Education, offers bursaries to students for summer French programs in Quebec. The bursary covers the cost of tuition, room and board, plus various extra activities, for a 4-5 week program in Quebec. Students in grades 9-12 (any level of French- beginner to advanced) can apply for a bursary through the Government of NL. This year HTH has students from grade 9 to level II who will be participating in the summer French programs in Quebec.

### **Bilingual Career Fair**

On November 27, 2014, French immersion Career students from levels 1 – 2 participated in the Bilingual Postsecondary Career Fair. More than 100 exhibitors were on site (60 booths) to guide students towards a bilingual career in Newfoundland and Labrador. Our belief is that a multilingual and skilled workforce will enable our province to continue the growth it has experienced over the last decade.

## **Quebec Trip**

February 3 – 8, 2015, thirty six grade 9 – 12 students travelled to Montréal and Quebec City along with their teacher chaperones- Ms Andrea White, Ms Tracey Lawlor, Mr Keith Connors, Ms Chantelle English and Mr Dan O'Connor. Students were immersed in the French culture and language first hand. Students also partook in a wide variety of valuable educational opportunities and took in the 2015 Winter Carnavale activities in Quebec City.

## **CPF Speak-Off's**

The Canadian Parents for French speak-off took place April, 2015. French Immersion students Laura Couturier and Sydney Roche represented HTH at the speak-off's which were held at Gonzaga High School. Both students were wonderful representatives of our school. Sydney placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in her division- Félicitation!

## **Social Studies Dept**

Grade 7 students were visited by several guest speakers such as the Passages to Canada program and GMO Civic engagement. The Grade 8 Heritage Fair was held on December 13<sup>th</sup> Friday. Winners are as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> Place Hannah Green, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Isabella Weist and Eric Senior, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Keira Hammond, Honourable mentions to Taylor Bradbury. All grade 9 students participated in a day long the Junior Achievement Presentation. Both teachers and presenters said students were very respectful, enthusiastic and engaged in the day's activities. Also, congratulations go out to Melissa Moores for winning the YMCA Community Matters Competition Eastern Regional Level and to our 15 classroom level winners. HTH tied with another school for most submissions.

In October, the International Student Group and Friends had a Halloween Party in school complete with costumes. Throughout the term, they were involved in several other activities. In the fall 2014, senior high students participated in the Canadian Roots Tour to Quebec City, Montreal and Ottawa which was a hit with students, teachers and parents alike. A trip for the fall 2015 is under construction. Also a delegation of students from HTH travelled to the two day Model UN competition at Memorial University in the winter. Career Development students again contributed to Choices For Youth Stuff a Stocking campaign by contributing over 95 stockings filled with Christmas treats and hygiene products for teens.

## **Entrepreneurship 3209: Provincial Competition**

Students completing Enterprise 3209 have to complete a mandatory business plan. The school provincial fair was held at the school on May 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015. Four students were selected from Holy Trinity to compete at the provincial business competition accompanied by their teacher Mr. Connors. They were Robyn Budgell, Pearce Burton, Sarah Fitzgerald & Katie Humby.

At the provincial fair at the Hilton in St. John's, Pearce Burton (Killick Coast Soccer) won first prize valued at \$1500. Robyn Budgell (Luminous Lamps) placed third valued at \$500. Sarah Fitzgerald (Ever After Gourmet Cakes) won most popular project among all the delegates. The students of Holy Trinity had excellent business projects and impressed the judges during their Dragon's Den presentations. Enterprise 3209 students worked hard promoting their businesses and selling products at various times throughout the school year. They have worked hard and have shown much initiative and innovation.



Overall, it was a very successful year for the Enterprise program at Holy Trinity. We are looking forward to another very successful year next year!

## **Town of Torbay Business Competition**

Three years ago, the town of Torbay and Holy Trinity High established a business competition to enhance economic growth in the local area. This event involved 10 of the top projects from Entrepreneurship 3209. This year, the competition was held on June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015. The winners will be announced today at the closing assembly. A special thank-you goes to the town of Torbay for their continued support for this competition.

## **Model United Nations (UN)**

Students from Holy Trinity travelled to Memorial University with Mr. Connors to take part in the Model United Nations debate during February 2015. Students discussed a number of issues from Ebola, the Olympic Games, the crisis in the Ukraine and nuclear war. Holy Trinity students were well prepared and did a great job on their debates. This event involved the schools in the metro region.

## **Association for New Canadian's Essay Competition**

Monique McGrath, a grade seven student at Holy Trinity High School won first place (junior high division ) in the Association for New Canadians' essay writing contest! Monique responded to the Association's request for essay submissions to celebrate the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination on March 21. (See attached photo).



## **English Language Arts Dept**

### **Public Speaking**

Congratulations to all of the students who participated in the public speaking events held this year. Senior high students, Lauren O'Dell and Cassandra Menchions, presented at the annual Pouch Cove Lions Club, Lions Speak Out competition in February. The judges were very impressed with their choice of topics and presentation skills; Lauren received first place, and Cassandra came in second place. Lauren went on to represent Holy Trinity High at the Rotary: Adventures in Citizenship speaking competition at the Holiday Inn, hosted by the Rotary Club of St. John's Northwest. Kyle Saunders, a level II student, spoke at the NLESD public speaking competition. The judges commended Kyle on his courage and excellent speaking skills. At the intermediate level, Hilary Hibbs, a grade 7 student, participated in the NLESD public speaking event this past May. Hilary was a wonderful representative of Holy Trinity and was applauded by the adjudicators for her seasoned speaking ability. Congratulations to all of the participants for their time and effort!

### **Poetry and Voice**

Congratulations to Laura Couturier for participating in the National Poetry and Voice competition. Laura represented HTH with dedication and determination in this challenging national competition. Job well done Laura!

## **Scripps Spelling Bee Participants from HTH**

This year at Holy Trinity High we saw our first participants in the Regional Scripps Spelling Bee which took place at the end of February. Tanisha Galway (Grade 8) and Matthew Hartley (Grade 7) represented the school very well at the Provincial Spelling Bee which took place at Holy Heart Theatre. While our students made it through several rounds, but were not selected as finalists, they did a wonderful job of spelling a number of challenging words before they were eliminated. Congratulations to them both and a great thanks to them for representing Holy Trinity High so well at this event. Hopefully, we will see this event take place on a grander scale next year as we get used to the participation and organizing of the various rounds of competition. Don't forget to encourage your son/daughter to participate next year!

## **Drama 2206**

During this 2014-2015 school year, close to 90 students registered for Drama 2206, a course which fulfills the requirements for credit in either Optional Language Arts or Fine Arts. This course requires full participation from students and this year's activities have produced some memorable moments for students. All students opened up the year learning to dance "The Hustle" as their choreographed dance. Of course, not to be outdone, a group of teachers this year (including Mr. Hickey!) performed the Hustle during the Christmas Variety show bringing this dance closer to becoming a HTH tradition. The Dinn Theatre was a busy place leading up to the show with all planning and production completed during Drama classes as part of their Scene Work unit. Oscar week in Drama class produced some very original iMovie trailers using the Ipad Movie App. Groups created ideas for movies and filmed their trailers in various locations around the school. Following the public screening of their films, students voted for various awards in a show of appreciation for each other's work and accomplishments in acting, directing, storytelling and editing skills. Then it was time to get back to basics with some Dramatic Reading in our Unit on Voice. Our students prepared stories from the Robert Munsch series and, with the help of Ms. Borden at Holy Trinity Elementary, found a receptive audience of Grade 2 students who were thrilled to have our High school Drama students come to their library and read to them. Our students' final audience in this class was their peers as they prepared and performed their final monologues. Congratulations to all of our students in Drama 2206 this year who came to this class and participated fully in all activities making this course a worthwhile experience for all involved.

## **Writing 2203**

Writing 2203 was a newly implemented course for the 2014-2015 school year. Thirty-five students were enrolled in this course. Students had a variety of writing experiences throughout the year. Our latest writing adventure took us on a nature walk where we took pictures of our surroundings and used them to write creative short stories. HTH has many great writers—many who are worthy of being published.



## **Congratulations Ms. Budgell on Your Retirement!**

Ms. Linda Budgell epitomizes a true English teacher - her career is an example of a "Closing by Return" - a style used in concluding an essay. She is ending her teaching career as it began - in a community she loves.

Ms. Budgell began her career at Holy Trinity High School, moved on to Beaconsfield Senior High School, and found her way home again in 1999 when she came back to Holy Trinity High. She raised her children here and feels very fortunate to have been such an integral part of the community.



Ms. Budgell is legendary for her prowess as an editor, proof-reader, public speaker, and creative educator in the classroom. Through her leadership within the school as English department head for many years, she has been instrumental in mentoring her students to be successful in public speaking competitions. During her years at Holy Trinity High, she has also contributed to extra-curricular activities and has been known to "pitch in" for various sports' teams as teacher sponsor.

She is leaving behind a legacy of having been the "Queen" of English. Carpe diem, Ms Budgell, - the world is yours to experience. We will deeply miss you from this small corner of the country.

Thank You Ms. Budgell for your legacy at Holy Trinity High, you have had a positive impact on teachers, students and staff.

## **HTH Yoga Club**

We are excited about receiving a \$1000.00 grant from the Wellness Coalition-Avalon East to purchase yoga mats, yoga straps and cork blocks. Ms O'Reilly has been teaching an afternoon yoga class for students of Holy Trinity for the past 4 months and will continue with this activity. Ms O'Reilly will also be working with the Town of Torbay to conduct health and wellness workshops during the 2015-2016 school year.



## **HTH Athletics**

This year at Holy Trinity High we had a very successful sports program. In total we had 29 sports teams represented in the sports of Cross Country Running, Softball, Soccer, Indoor Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Ice Hockey, Ball Hockey and Baseball. Thank you to all of our students and coaches for a very eventful year. Our Sports Banquet Athletic Winners for the 2014-2015 season are as follows. Frank Saunders Award, Coach/Community Member – Mr. Steve Anstey. Student Coaches winners were

Pearce Burton, Patrick Murphy & Jarad Squires. Jr. High Student Athlete of the Year were Dylan Crichton and Isabella Weist. Senior High Athlete of the Year winners were Keegan Spurrell, Dianna Llewellyn and Olivia Penney. Congratulations to all award winners.

## **Mr. Sullivan Retires!**

We would like to extend congratulations to Mr. Sullivan on his retirement. We wish him good health and happiness long into the future and want to extend our sincere thanks for his significant contributions to our school. He has created a long list of memories over the years at HTH for our students and staff. The Math and Athletic departments will certainly miss him.



## **Prom News:**

We had a very successful Prom Celebration on May 9, 2015 at the Sheraton Hotel and Safe Grad activities at Axtion. Students were very well-behaved and represented their school well. Many positive comments were forwarded to the teachers and administration about the evening and the fine job that was done. Students have all received pictures taken during the march, and a DVD copy of the evening's ceremony will be available in the fall. Best wishes are extended to all of our graduates in their future endeavours, whether they enter post-secondary classes in the fall or at a later date, or go directly into the workforce. The Cap and Gown Ceremony will be held in November 19, at which time we will celebrate their high school graduation and accomplishments to date. Congratulations to Kurtis Galway on being selected as Class Valedictorian. Have a Great Summer graduates!!

Next year's Prom Ceremonies have been booked for April 30, 2016 at the Sheraton Hotel.

## **Festive Fall Gala 2015**

Mark it on your calendars! Our biannual school fundraiser will take place Saturday, November 14, 2015. This formal event will feature fine dining, silent and live auctions. The proceeds from this event go to supplement the Academic, Performing Arts and Athletic programs at Holy Trinity. Tickets will go on sale in early September from the main office. If you would like to donate to this event please contact Assistant Principal [Maureen Clements](#) or email [festivefallgala@gmail.com](mailto:festivefallgala@gmail.com)

## **School Opening 2015**

Wednesday, September 9 all students return to school. Buses will start their runs according to the bus schedule which will be posted on the school's website.

