



Holy Cross Catholic Elementary School

Home of the Cubs!

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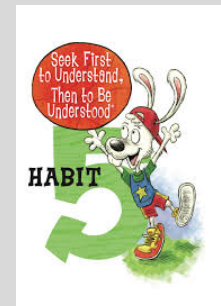


Dear Parents/Guardians,

During this month, the focus is on the value of FORGIVENESS. We've learned more about God's loving mercy and how we are called to share mercy with others. Forgiveness also influences our attitudes which open our hearts to God's kindness, beauty, and love. We are called not only to forgive others, but to forgive ourselves, as it is through forgiveness that we receive peace.

Habit #5 - Seek First to Understand, Then to be Understood

Seek first to understand, then to be understood means that it is better to listen first and talk second. We can listen with our ears, eyes and heart.



*Yours in Christ,
Mrs. S. Venturi, Principal*

Drop Off

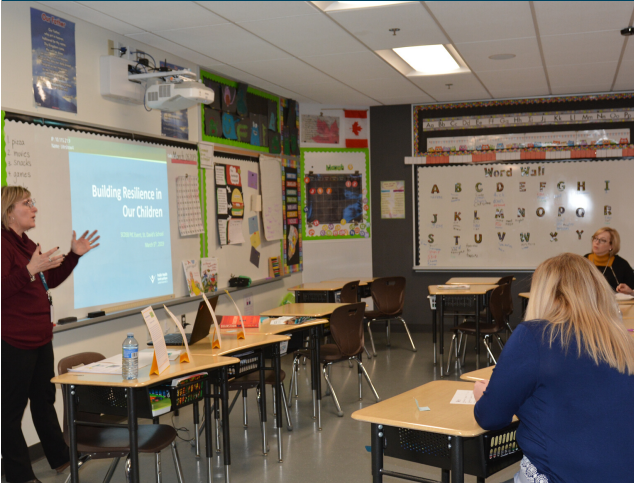
We would like to remind all parents and guardians that the safest place to drop off children is at the far end of the St. Benedict parking lot. We have a wide path that is plowed to allow for students to walk to Holy Cross. There is a teacher on duty to greet your child at the yellow posts. The danger of using the inner circle of the Holy Cross parking lot is that you and your child are crossing in front of buses. Any time pedestrians cross in front of a vehicle, there is an opportunity for an accident. Also, if you are picking up at the end of the day, you must get out of your vehicle and meet your child at the side of the building. This way, your child and the teacher on duty, can see you.



The school day at Holy Cross begins at 8:50 a.m. **It is in the best interest of all students that they arrive on time so that they maximize their own learning and do not miss out on instructions and information. Many students continue to arrive late. This results in interruptions to the classroom learning environment. Please do your best to ensure your child is at school prior to 8:50 a.m.**

Carousel Event

For parents, educators and community partners!



SAVE THE DATE!

April 7, 2020

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

St. Benedict School
2993 Algonquin Road

Sessions will include:

**Vaping, Bullying, Cybercrime,
Human Trafficking, Social Media,
Secondary Programs and
Pathways, Supporting Students
at Home, Coding and Helping
Support Children and Youth Who
Experience Anxiety.**



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From St. Patrick's Parish



www.stpatrickchurchsudbury.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION at ST. PATRICK'S PARISH: First Communion and Reconciliation registration is available at St. Patrick's Parish. This year it is open to children in grade 2 as well as grade 3. Registration forms, preparation evenings and dates are online at www.stpatrickchurchsudbury.com under [Sacraments: Our Life in Christ and His Church](#) OR registration forms can be picked up at the Parish office or at the entrance of the Church. Registration for Sacraments are due on April 15th, 2020.

During Lent, we focus on prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Here are a few ideas for "fasting" for Lent that are grounded in goodness:

-  Fast from judging others, Feast on Christ dwelling in them.
-  Fast from what appears to be darkness, Feast on the hope and light around you.
-  Fast from anger, Feast on Patience
-  Fast from discontent, Feast on Gratitude
-  Fast from complaining, Feast on Appreciation
-  Fast from bitterness, Feast on Forgiveness
-  Fast from selfishness, Feast on Compassion for others
-  Fast from problems that overwhelm, Feast on prayer.



Student Safety at Holy Cross

HEALTH CONCERNS

We have students with severe allergies and food sensitivities. Holy Cross is a “Nut Controlled” environment. Please refrain from sending food items to school that contain nuts. Please also refrain from sending “food treats” to school. More information on this can be found in the Student Handbook.

PLEASE



**NO PEANUTS
OR
NUT PRODUCTS**

IF YOUR CHILD HAS A NEW OR CHANGED MEDICAL CONDITION – It is important that you contact the school (phone or agenda) to request forms that need to be completed. ALL medication must be in the original container with the prescription label attached and the appropriate forms completed.

PICK UP

If you are picking your child up at the end of the day, and this is a change from the regular routine, please send a note to the teacher, advising of this change. At 3:05 p.m., a teacher will escort your child to the yellow posts (bottom of the side hill). If you are picking your child up before the end of the day, please come to the main office where you will be required to sign your child out of the school.

Children will not be allowed to leave with anyone other than a parent unless the school has been notified by a phone call or a note. Please provide us as much notice as possible as this limits the disruption of students’ learning. Verbal notice from the student will not be accepted. In the absence of a note or telephone call, your child will be sent home as usual.

If your child will be absent, please call the school to notify us. You can also leave a message on the To ensure student safety and minimize disruptions at dismissal time, please ensure you call the school **before 2:00 pm** to notify us of student pick up! Thank you for your support!



Will you be going on a trip or will your child be missing more than 5 days in a row?



Please contact the main office to get a Temporary Excusal Letter. Once this form is completed, your child’s absence will be changed to ‘excused’ and not ‘absent’, which will not be reflected on their report card.



School Communication

Communication between the school and home is important for both student safety and student success. There are several ways to get information from the school, and to share information with the school.



SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please visit our school website at www.holycross.sudburycatholicschools.ca, where you will find the monthly calendar and newsletter, as well as news stories and forms. All newsletters will be posted electronically on our school website, as well as on Facebook and our Remind App.

FACEBOOK

Please check our Facebook page regularly, and remember to 'like' and 'follow' us!

<https://www.facebook.com/holycrosscatholicschoolsudburyontario/>

STUDENT HANDBOOK

The safety and well-being of students and staff are priorities at Holy Cross. For this reason, we have outlined the routines and rules in the Student Handbook. For students in Grades 1-6, this is found in the agenda. All Full Day Kindergarten (FDK) students have receive a copy of this handbook from their teacher.

AGENDA

Communication is imperative in positive relationships. This is an effective tool for parents and teachers to maintain open communication, as well as teaching organizational skills to students. Please read and sign the agenda daily.

REMIND APP

We will continue to relay information to parents using the "REMIND" app. You will be able to use this app to receive messages on your cell phone or your email. It is a great way to receive updates and notifications from the school. We will continue to send the monthly newsletters and calendar via the Remind app. You can subscribe in two ways:

Via text:

Enter this number: (705) 230-3040

Text this message: @cubsgroup

Via email:

Email: cubsgroup@mail.remind.com

You can leave the subject line and message space blank

After you have sent this text or email, you will be invited to join our Holy Cross group. We ask that when you are prompted, to please send your name so that we know who has subscribed. Please also include your child(ren)'s name(s) so that we are sure to know which families are on our list. We will not be able to see your contact information, nor will any other subscribers.