



# BLESSED JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FEBRUARY 2015 NEWS



We are the Salt of the Earth  
We are the Light of the World

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Weekend Mass Times:  
Saturday 5:15 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:15-4:45 p.m.

**Before and After**  
**905 518-4694**

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### *God loves you, dear children!*

This is what I want to tell you . . .

Letter of Pope John Paul II to Children  
From Vatican City



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Love is patient, love is kind.  
It does not envy, it does not boast,  
it is not proud.  
It is not rude, it is not self-seeking,  
it is not easily angered,  
it keeps no record of wrongs.  
Love does not delight in evil  
but rejoices with the truth.  
It always protects, always trusts,  
always hopes, always perseveres.  
Love never fails.

*- The Bible : 1 Corinthians 13:4 -*

The reading cited is a very popular one and was read at Mass at the end of January. At the Parish I attend, Father recommended this to use each descriptor of love as a great checklist to examine our conscience.

“Actions speak louder than words” is another saying when speaking of Love but the reading reminds us of the need for both when required.

As parents, staff and students we have an opportunity to show love to God and each other every day. Do not hesitate to say and show love.

## FAMILY DAY

Monday, February 16, 2015 is a statutory holiday — Family Day. The school will be closed.

## REPORT CARDS 2015

You will be receiving a copy of your child's Report Card for Term I (November to January).

Four pages will come home. Please keep these

PLUS a double-sided copy of pages 3 and 4 is to be used for students and home to write on.

Please return the signed DOUBLE-SIDED only.

## VOCATIONS

We are all invited to pray for those individuals who are in the process of becoming Priests and Nuns. Prayers are also offered for those who are in our school and have expressed their interest in answering this call.

For more information contact Father Kevin Cull at 905 528 7988 or

[VocationInfo.ca](http://VocationInfo.ca)

### JK Registration for September 2015 information from the School Board

Children who were born in 2011 are eligible to attend FULL DAY JK in September 2015. Please phone the school at 905-525-1300 to make a registration appointment. The following information is required to register your child: **Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate, Immunization Card and proof of residency in our school boundaries** (i.e. utility bill). Also, if your child was born in 2009 and has never attended school, you can call to make an appointment to register them for FULL DAY SK in September.



### PRECIOUS MOMENTS BOUTIQUE FOR GRADES 2 AND 8

Should you have suits, dresses or other items to donate for First Holy Communion, Confirmation or Graduation please drop them off at the St. John Paul II Main Office and we will get them to our Social Work Services at the Board.

#### PRECIOUS MOMENTS BOUTIQUE

**Wednesday, March 4, 2015**

**3:00 -7:00 P.M.**

**Wednesday, April 15, 2015**

**Wednesday, May 6, 2015**

**Wednesday, June 3, 2015**

**3:00 -7:00 P.M.**

**AT**

**ST. MARY CATHOLIC RESOURCE CENTRE**

**3RD FLOOR**

**203 McNab Street, North, Hamilton**

### WALK TO SCHOOL YELLOW DAY

The Eco Team is organizing a **Winter Walk Day** on **Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**. Our Winter Walk Day's theme is **MOVE IT!** We are also celebrating **National Sweater Day** as a target in saving energy. **On this day students will wear cozy sweaters** to school and we will lower the temperature a bit as a way of conserving energy. Students will have an opportunity to **MOVE IT** and stay warm. Let exercise, eat healthy and save energy! **Let's move it, move it on Friday, February 5!**

## DIVERSITY CORNER



We could learn a lot from crayons. Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names, and all are different colours, but they all have to live in the same box.

### If a child lives with . . .

If a child lives with criticism,  
He learns to condemn.  
If a child lives with hostility,  
He learns to fight.  
If a child lives with ridicule,  
He learns to be shy.  
If a child lives with shame,  
He learns to feel guilty.  
If a child lives with tolerance,  
He learns to be patient.  
If a child lives with encouragement,  
He learns confidence.  
If a child lives with praise,  
He learns to appreciate.  
If a child lives with fairness,  
He learns justice.  
If a child lives with security,  
He learns to have faith.  
If a child lives with approval,  
He learns to like himself.  
If a child lives with acceptance and friendship,  
He learns to find love in the world.

Dorothy Law Nolte



## PARKING

We have had many complaints from parents as well as the school bus company regarding people parking illegally in the "No Stopping" area in front of the school. Please be aware that the bylaw officer will show up unannounced and ticket cars parking illegally.

As well, the entrance nearest to the school is a "bus only" zone from 8:30 a.m. to 9:05 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. each day.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation

## Parenting Tips:

### Internet Safety Tips

#### *What parents/guardians can do to protect their children*

Be involved and know your child's online activity.

Keep the computer in an open area of the home.

Remind children to protect their passwords; encourage them not to share passwords with friends.

Use caution with web cams, unplug web cams when they're not in use.

Be sure of whom they're talking to before allowing them to turn on a web cam.

Make sure children are cautious with what they post online.

### The Sacraments of Reconciliation

Congratulations to the Grade 2 students who received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation on Saturday, January 31 ' 2015. We thank Father Mahony for making this day special.



**All people smile in the same language.**

*Anonymous*

## CSC Nutrition Challenge for February

**Include a yogurt to your child's lunch once a week.** Add different toppings, such as, fruit, cereal, or sunflower seeds! You can also freeze yogurt sticks!

## DECEMBER VIRTUE AWARD WINNERS

### VIRTUE OF THE MONTH IS HOPE

This month we learned what it means to display and show **HOPE**. The award winners for December are Ethan, Robert, Collin , Daniela, Sarah, Adrian, Hilarie, Bella, Emma, Sierra, Beth, Dalena, Elise, Ervin, Isaiah, Martina, Anthony, Tristan, Hazel, Yusof, arianna, Angela, Sarina, Brandon, Kyle, Delilah, Hyacinth, Samial, Kash, Laurissa, Giancarla, Elizabeth, Vianna, and Mateo. **CONGRADULATIONS** . During the month of January we are learning about **Self Control**

## JANUARY VIRTUE AWARD WINNERS

### VIRTUE OF THE MONTH IS SELF CONTROL

This month we learned what it means to display and show **SELF CONTROL**. The award winners for January are Cohen, Natasha, Davis, Connor, Hannah, Aneesa, Sierra, Isabella M., Isabella P., Lukas, Caitlin, Peter, Leandro, Emma, Andrew, Rosemary, Brianna, Stephanie, Audrey, Rachel, Nicholas, Hannah, Christina, Jacob, Kyle, Meryam, Julia, Anita, Aiden, Zachary, Luca, Serena, Vienna, Naomi. **CONGRADULATIONS** . During the month of February we are learning about **RESPECT**

# School Cash Online

For safety and efficiency reasons, Hamilton Wentworth Catholic District School Board would like to reduce the amount of Cash & Checks coming into our school. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE! It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Please follow these step-by-step instructions, so you will begin to receive email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your child(ren).

**NOTE: If you require assistance, select the *GET HELP* option in the top right hand corner of the screen.**

## Step 1: Register

If you have not registered, please go to the *School Cash Online* home page <https://hwcdsb.schoolcashionline.com/> and select the ***“Get Started Today”*** option.

Complete each of the three Registration Steps

\*For Security Reasons your password, requires **8 characters**, **one uppercase** letter, **one lowercase** letter and a **number**.

## Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account.

The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.

## Step 3: Find Student

***Note: Student Number is Not Required***

*This step will connect your children to your account.*

Enter the School Board Name

Enter the School Name

Enter Your Child’s Name & Birth Date

Select ***Continue***

On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select ***Continue***

Your child has been added to your account

## Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select ***“Add Another Student”*** option and repeat the steps above. 5 children can be added to one parent account.

If you do not wish to add additional children, select

***“View Items For Students”*** option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.