

**February 2007**

**Prayer during Black History Month**

*God of love and mercy, you call us to be your people.*

*You give to us with your abundant grace.*

*Make us holy people, radiating the fullness of your love.*

*Help us recognize our neighbour in everyone we meet, whatever the person's colour, race, religion, culture or gender. Help us to share our love with all people even if they do not ask for it and even if they reject it.*

*Form us into a community of people who care, expressing your compassion. Remind us day after day of our baptismal call to serve, with joy and courage.*

*Give us to a deeper appreciation of the contributions that our Brothers and sisters of all cultures have made to society, and to the Building up of your reign. Teach us how to grow in wisdom, Grace, and joy in your presence.*

*Through Jesus and in your Spirit, we make this prayer.*

*Amen!*



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**NEWSLETTER**



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## **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Registration for Junior and Senior Kindergarten will take place at Mother Mary Ward School on Thursday, March 1, 2007 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Friday March 2, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please note that if your child is presently attending Junior Kindergarten at Mother Mary Ward, it is **not** necessary for you to register for Senior Kindergarten. This will be done automatically. The following documents are required for registration: Child's Baptism Certificate, Birth Certificate & Immunization Record

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## **Dufferin-Peel hosts parent information session for Kindergarten Entry Planning for children with special needs**

On Wednesday, February 7, the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board will host a Kindergarten Entry Planning Information Night. This meeting is for parents of children with special needs which effect their learning, such as vision, hearing, physical, developmental or autism, who are entering junior or senior kindergarten in September 2007. For more information about this session, parents can contact the Resource Secretary for their school at 905-890-1221.

**WHAT:** Kindergarten Entry Planning for Children with Special Needs Parent Information Night  
**WHEN:** Wednesday, February 7, 2007

**7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

**WHERE:** Catholic Education Centre –  
**Room 301 (Third Floor)**  
40 Matheson Boulevard West,  
Mississauga (Hurontario &  
Matheson)

## ***PARENTS WALKING STUDENTS TO CLASS***

Reminder that parents are **NOT** allowed to walk their child(ren) to class. It is BOARD policy to sign in when visitors are entering the school. If you are late, your child (ren) is to report at the office for a late slip. Younger students will be escorted to class. Thank you for your cooperation in following BOARD policy.

## ***School Council News***

A whole-hearted THANK YOU goes out to all the parents/guardians and students for their participation in the Monday Hot Lunch program and other fundraising efforts. With your support we have been able to raise approximately \$5000. All money raised goes directly back to benefit the students.

To find out how we plan to spend the fundraising dollars, all parents/guardians are welcome to attend the next school council meeting on **Wednesday, February 7 at 7 p.m.** in the school staff room.

**Once again, thank you for your continued support. Our students are truly worth all our efforts! Hope to see you at a school council meeting.**

## **WINTER WEATHER**

We ask that students dress appropriately (coats, hats, mitts, boots etc...) for the weather conditions. When students are dressed warmly,

they are better prepared to participate in outdoor activities during recess.

## **STAYING IN FOR RECESS**

In the colder weather, we receive a number requests to allow children to remain indoor when students have a cold or are recovering from the flu etc... Please not that we cannot comply, as we neither have the facilities nor the staff to supervise these students. Moreover, health officials indicate that the fresh air is good for children... not harmful, as long as students are dressed appropriately. On extremely cold days, particularly when the wind chill factor lowers temperatures considerably, we will limit the amount of time that students spend outdoors or hold recess indoors. With the exception of these occasions, we expect that all children will go outdoors for recess and during the lunch break.

## **ICE HOCKEY TEAMS**

**Three Junior Division students took part in an Ice Hockey Tournament at Tomken Arena on January 25<sup>th</sup>. The boys have joined Holy Spirit School. They were a great addition to the team.**

**The Holy Spirit/MMW team lost in the final of the tournament on a very exciting shootout. Congratulations to Ethan Morrison, Marco Mango and William Bergeron. They will be participating in one more tournament.**



**Our Intermediate Team has also joined forces with Holy Spirit and will be participating in 3 tournaments. We wish them luck and thank Mr. Protomanni for coaching the team. We will keep you posted on how they are doing in our next newsletter.**

## **SCHOOL WEB SITE**

**<http://w3.dpcdsb.org/MWARD>**

## **Snowmen and Snow Forts and Snowflakes!**

Oh My!

**To celebrate the end of January, the Grade 1, 2 and 3 classes spent the day Beating the Winter Blues! Our entire day was dedicated to learning and having fun with winter and the colour blue. We all wore blue clothes, ate blue snacks and drank blue juice. The grade 1's painted snowflakes, the grade 2's made snowmen with cotton and the grade 3s made snow sculptures from marshmallows and icing sugar. We ended our day with some winter stories and yummy winter snacks! We can't wait until next year to do it all over again!**

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **FEBRUARY**

February 4 Enrollment Mass – Gr. 2  
February 8 Int. Boys& Girls Basketball  
February 14 Skating – Grades 4-6  
February 16 P.A. Day  
February 18 Enrollment Mass – Gr.8  
February 20 Sister Clare Fitzgerald  
Presentation for parents  
February 21 Ash Wednesday  
February 22 Rosary taught to all students  
February 26 Int. Ice Hockey @ Battalion Centre  
February 26 Q-Mack Presentation Grades 1-8  
February 27 Int. Ice Hockey @ Battalion Centre  
February 28 Grade 4 at Medieval Times

### **MARCH**

March 1-2 Kindergarten Registration  
March 4 Service of Light – Gr. 2  
March 7 Graduation Picture Day  
March 7 Skating (Grades 1-3)  
March 9 P.A. Day for Reporting  
March 12-16 March Break  
March 21 Grade 2&3 @ Pearson Theatre  
March 22 Rosary taught to all students  
March 30 School Mass @ 10:30

### **APRIL**

April 10 Term 2 Report Cards home  
April 6 Good Friday  
April 8 Easter Monday  
April 10 Term 2 Report Cards home  
April 17 Grade 3 – Peel Safety Village  
April 19 Rosary taught to all students  
April 20 Rosary taught to all students  
April 28 Early Release Day  
April 30 – May4 Education Week

### **MAY**

May 9 School Mass  
May 11 Confirmation Practice  
May 14 Confirmation  
May 14 PA Day  
May 24 Rosary taught to all students

### **JUNE**

June 8 School Mass  
June 28 Last Day of School

