



Mary Fix Catholic School Newsletter

Learning and Living
Through God

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Dates to Remember

Jan 16 P.A. Day

Jan 18 Virtue Assembly, 1:30

Jan 24 Guest Speaker, 7 pm

Jan 31 Report Cards Home

Feb 2 Interview Night

Feb 3 P.A. Day (Interviews)

Feb 6-10 JK Registration

Feb 16 Immunization Clinic

Feb 20 Family Day

Feb 21 Shrove Tuesday

Feb 22 Ash Wednesday

March 5 First Reconciliation

March 12-16 March Break

March 21 Lent Reconciliation

April 1 Holy Week Begins

April 5 Holy Thursday

April 6 Good Friday

April 8 Easter Sunday

April 9 Easter Monday

Prayer for The New Year

Come, Holy Spirit, Spirit of God,

Spirit of the Risen Christ,

Be with us today and always.

Be our Light, our Guide,

and our Comforter.

Be our Strength, our Courage,

and our Sanctifier.

May this new year be a time

of deep spiritual growth for us,

A time for welcoming Your graces and gifts,

A time for forgiving freely and unconditionally,

A time for growing in virtue and goodness.

Come Holy Spirit.

Be with us today and always.

Amen



P.A. Days

Monday, January 16 is a P.A. Day for Assessment and Student Evaluation. There is no school for all students on this day.

Friday, February 3 is a P.A. Day for Term 2 Parent/Teacher Interviews. There is no school for all students on this day.

March Break

March Break begins on Monday, March 12th and ends on Friday, March 18. Students return to school on Monday, March 21.

**Kindergarten Registration**

Mary Fix will continue to provide the regular half-day Kindergarten program in 2012-2013.

Registration for the 2012-2013 school year will be held at Dufferin-Peel Catholic elementary schools:

February 6 from 7-9 p.m.

(snowdate: Feb. 7 from 7-9 p.m.)

February 8-10, 9:00-11:00 a.m. and 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Junior Kindergarten - Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31, 2012

Senior Kindergarten—Children must be 5 years old by December 31, 2012

Parents/Guardians should bring the following documents when registering their child:

- proof of age
- original Catholic Baptismal Certificate of the Roman, Greek or Ukrainian Rite, for both the parent and child
- updated immunization records
- proof of Canadian citizenship or of Landed Immigrant status
- proof of address (utility bill, bank or credit card statement) for schools in Caledon and Dufferin County: emergency rural address numbers for identifying your property.

For more information, contact the office or the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board at (905) 890-1221.

Kindergarten Information Session

There will be an information session for parents of children with special needs such as vision, hearing, physical/medical, developmental or autism who are entering JK, SK or the Full Day Early Learning Kindergarten Program in September 2012. The information session will be held at the Dufferin Peel Catholic District School Board—Rm 301 on January 17, 2012 from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Grade 1 French Immersion

Senior Kindergarten parents/guardians, who wish to enroll their child in a Grade 1 French Immersion class for September, 2012 are invited to submit applications to St. Margaret of Scotland School. The deadline for submission of Applications will be **2:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 8th, 2012.**

Extended French Information

Grade 4 parents/guardians who wish to enroll their child in Grade 5 Extended French for September 2012 are invited to attend an information meeting at 7pm on Wed. Jan. 18, 2012, at:

St. Philip School,
345 Fairview Rd., West
Mississauga, L5B 3W5
(905)306-8420

The **deadline** for submission of Applications is **3 p.m., on February 8, 2012.**

DPCDSB Community Programs from Adult and Continuing Ed.

Winter 2012 DPCDSB Adult and Continuing Education program flyers arrive at your doorstep the week of January 2, 2012.

You are invited to join in these exciting community programs.

- Computer ABC's Day Program
- Car Maintenance for Women
- Secondary Night School Credit
- French as a Second Language
- Adult Coop and Credit
- General Interest Programs
- International Languages
- English as a Second Language
- Citizenship and ESL Classes
- Health and Fitness

And Much Much More

Register now for lifelong learning opportunities! Call (905)891-9263, Ex 0, or visit us at www.dpcdsb.org/cec/cne.

Secondary Winter Night School

Classes run from February 8 to May 23, 2012, Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at:

St. Aloysius Gonzaga S.S. Or Philip Pocock S.S.

Registration forms are available from the Guidance Department or online at <http://www.dpcdsb.org/CEC/CNE/>

Registration closes on Wednesday February 1, 2012.

Sacraments:

Grade 2 Reconciliation -

Monday, March 5, 2012 @ 7:00 p.m.

Grade 2 First Communion -

Saturday, May 12, 2012 @ 1 p.m.

Grade 8 Confirmation -

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 @ 7 p.m.

Bus Cancellations

Bus and school cancellation information is made available on the radio and television stations. In addition bus cancellation updates can be accessed at www.busmonitor.com.

If the weather is bad and schools are open, please call the school's attendance line if you choose to keep your child(ren) at home.

NHL Alumni Benefit

On Monday, February 20 there will be a charity fundraiser for the Catholic Family Services of Peel Dufferin.

The game will take place at the Powerade Centre in Brampton beginning at 1 pm. The game will feature Wendel Clark and other NHL and Toronto Maple Leaf Alumni.

The ticket prices are \$22 per adult and \$15 for children and seniors. Mary Fix will receive \$3 for every ticket purchased.

Tickets can be ordered by visiting:

www.hockeydayinbrampton.ca





January is ‘Self Control’ Month

This month we will celebrate the virtue of Self Control.

When we all use self-control, we can be sure that our school will be a safe, caring and inclusive place to live and to learn.

A person with self-control:

- Is patient
- Knows how to wait his/her turn
- Can calm him/herself down and think before reacting to situations
- Knows how to avoid physical aggression
- Can think things through and do what is best for everyone.

We will continue to highlight each month’s Virtue and encourage parents and guardians to reinforce these messages at home. Next month we will celebrate the virtue of ‘Respect’.

Parents are invited to attend our Self Control Assembly, presented by our afternoon kindergarten classes on Wednesday, January 18th at 1:30 p.m.

Important Immunization

Message from Peel Public Health

Peel Public Health will be reviewing immunization records of all students at our school beginning this month. You can be prepared by making sure that your child has all of the required vaccines and that Peel Public Health has your child’s complete immunization record as soon as possible.

Under the *Immunization of School Pupils Act* the Health Department has the authority to suspend students from school if they do not meet the immunization requirements. Students whose immunization records are incomplete may be suspended from school.

If you receive a letter, please ensure that you take your child to receive the necessary immunizations as soon as possible and then report the vaccine and date received to Peel Public Health immediately so that they may update your records.

Update your child’s records by:

- Reporting them online at www.ImmunizePeel.ca
- Faxing to (905)565-0426 (Attention:Immunization Records)
- Calling (905)799-7700

For more information, please call Peel Public Health at (905)799-7700 or visit www.ImmunizePeel.ca.



Cut this square out of the newsletter and submit it to the office for your chance to win tickets to a St. Mikes Majors’ Game at the Hershey Centre. Make sure your name and your child’s name is written on the submission. Please put a checkmark beside the date you would like to request.

Name: _____

Teacher: _____

vs. **Brampton Battalion** on Friday, January 20 at 7:30 p.m.

vs. **Sudbury Wolves** on Sunday, January 29 at 2:00 p.m.

vs. **Barrie Colts** on Friday, February 3 at 7:30 p.m.

vs. **Oshawa Generals** on Friday, February 10 at 7:30 p.m.

vs. **Windsor Spitfires** on Sunday, February 12 at 2:00 p.m.

Healthy Schools, Healthy Kids!

You are invited to join Mary Fix’s Healthy School Committee!

A Healthy School Committee is a group of individuals (parents/ guardians, students, school staff, and community members) working together to make the school community a healthier place.

Health is a key factor in school performance. A healthy school promotes opportunities to learn positive health attitudes and behaviours through positive role modelling, healthy food choices,

physical activity, and positive student-teacher bonds.

If you are an interested parent/ guardian or community member and would like to learn more about the Healthy Schools Committee, please contact Mrs. Milanetti. We will be meeting from 12:20 to 1:00 pm every other Wednesday.

News from Mary Fix Catholic School Council

This month of January your Mary Fix Catholic School Council presents an evening with guest speaker and behavior specialist **Ron Morrish**.

Ron Morrish is an educator and behavior expert and gives well respected advice and tools for raising responsible children. His presentation will be held at our school on Tuesday, January 24, 2012. at 7:00 p.m.

His presentation **Secrets of Discipline** presents the keys to effective discipline in a clear and understandable format. He will give us the insight and tools to enable parents and caregivers to raise and teach children without all the deal making, arguments and confrontations. Learn how to set appropriate limits, teach courtesy and respect, and deal effectively with defiance.

This presentation is once again funded by the Parents Reaching Out Grant provided by the Ministry of Education. Mary Fix, once again has been awarded this grant for this school year. Please join us for this informative and entertaining evening. Invitations are coming soon.

Wishing you all a wonderful New Year and may your year ahead be filled with blessings.

**K. Ruffolo
Council Chair**