



The Heart Beat



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Prayer for Peace

Dear God, we pray for all the men, women and children presently caught in war-suffering. And as we stand with them, we cry in our hearts for peace. God of Justice, we seek a better way to live with each other. Help us to see that the better way must start right here, right now with us. Help us to see that we can give peace a chance by the way we treat our family, our friends and members of our community. Help us to see the many times we find ourselves in warring ways. Help us to find creative ways of dealing with our anger, of healing our fears, or working through our conflicts. Give us the strength to start over and continue to give peace a chance. Amen.

Principal Changes



The Board recently announced some upcoming administrative changes. Our principal Mr. Jerry Casey, will become the new Superintendent of Education. Mr. Murray Kuntz, current principal of St. Mary's High School, will become the new principal of Sacred Heart High School. Mr Glenn Miller, current

principal of St. Joseph's School in Port Elgin, will become the principal at St. Mary's High School. These changes will become effective February 4, 2008 - the start of Semester 2. Congratulations Mr. Casey!

GRADE 9 EQAO MATH ASSESSMENT - SEMESTER 1

All students registered in Grade 9 Academic Math (MPM 1D) and Grade 9 Applied Math (MFM 1P) this semester will be writing the EQAO Grade 9 Mathematics assessment in their math class the week of January 14th. Attendance on these dates is mandatory. Please avoid scheduling appointments during the math period. Students taking Grade 9 Math second semester will write the assessment in June.

EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS

Wednesday Nov. 28th, Wednesday Feb. 27th, and Wednesday Apr. 30th are early dismissal days. Buses will leave at 1:30 in the afternoon. Below is the schedule for these days.

Period 1	9:15 - 10:00
Period 2	10:07 - 10:52
Period 4	10:59 - 11:44
Lunch	11:44 - 12:34
Period 5	12:34 - 1:19

Bus Cancellations

Winter is finally here. In the event of inclement weather please listen to our local radio stations CKNX (102 FM/ 920 AM) (CFOS(560 AM, mix 106 (106.5 FM), Country 93 (93.7 FM), for bus cancellations. For students living along Lake Huron shoreline -- you can also listen to 98 the Beach (97.9 FM).



If only rural busses are cancelled, the school will remain open for those students who are able to safely make it to school. If all busses (both rural and in-town) are cancelled due to weather conditions, the school will be closed.

Mid-Term Report Cards

The mid-term Provincial Report Card will be sent home on Monday, November 19th. The report cards are given to the students in their homeroom class, which will be period 2 that week. There are no interviews associated with this report card. If you would like to discuss your child's progress, then please contact your child's teacher to arrange an appointment.

Late Taxi/Bus Schedule 2007



Nov. 1, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 22, 26, 27, 29
Dec. 3, 4, 5, 11, 12, 13, 17, 19, 20

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PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL

If you know that your son or daughter will be away from school, PLEASE CALL to let us know or EMAIL us at shhs_attendance@bgcdsb.org

It saves our office staff a lot of time, and allows us to stay on top of attendance issues before they become major problems. Messages can be left 24-hours a day at 519-881-1900.



DRIVER EDUCATION

Driver Training is offered this fall at Sacred Heart High School (subject to sufficient numbers). Please listen to morning announcements for more information or contact Mrs. MacDonald in the office.

Semester #1

Session #3	Nov. 12 - Dec. 12	Mon. & Wed.
	Nov. 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28	10 - 2 1/2 hr.
	Dec. 3, 5, 10, 12	3:30 - 6 pm

Semester #2

Session #4	Feb. 5 - Mar. 7	Tues. & Thurs.
	Feb. 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28	10 - 2 1/2 hrs.
	Mar. 4, 7	3:30 - 6 pm
Session #5	Mar. 31 - Apr. 30	Mon. & Wed.
	Mar. 31	10 - 2 1/2 hr.
	Apr. 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30	3:30 - 6 pm
Session #6	May 10 - June 12	Saturdays
	May 10, 24, 31	4 - 6 1/4 hr.
	June 7	9 am - 4 pm

CURLING ROCKS!

The Teeswater Curling Club is welcoming new members for the 07/08 season. Come to our Open House & Registration Night, Friday November 16. Instructions are available and no commitment for those that 'just want to give it a try!'

WHEN:

Mixed Recreational curling is Tuesday & Friday evenings
Competitive curling is Wednesday evenings
Seniors on Monday & Wednesday afternoons
Elementary age curlers get coaching and play - Sunday afternoons

HOW MUCH?: Adult curlers are \$150, high school age \$55 & elementary age children curl for free.

For more information call Brenda Schumacher

519-367-5574 or Jamie Elphick 519-392-6910

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES



Thurs. Nov. 1	10:30 - 11:30	St. Clair Windsor
Fri. Nov. 2	9:30 - 10:30	Nipissing
Fri. Nov. 9	9:30 - 10:30	Lakehead University
	12:45 - 1:45	Guelph
Tues. Nov. 13	1:00 - 2:00	York University
Thurs. Nov. 15	12:45 - 1:45	Fanshawe College
Mon. Nov. 19	1:00 - 2:00	Trent University
Thurs. Nov. 22	10:30 - 11:30	Renison College
Fri. Nov. 23	9:30 - 10:30	University of Ontario

Parents/Students—Student Services offers career counselling using different assessments, to help your son/daughter with choosing post-secondary. Contact the Guidance Office.

Breakfast Club

It is November already and time for an update on the breakfast club. The programme is still well attended with numbers averaging around 60 students each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning.



We have wonderful student volunteers who help set up the tables and clean up when the bell rings at 9:00 am.

We are in serious need of one or two adult volunteers for either Tuesday or Thursday mornings. This involves one hour or less, starting at 8:15 and ending shortly after 9:00.

If you are interested, please leave your name and phone number at the office and the coordinator, Mr. Armstrong will contact you.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Our next School Council Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 21, 2007, 7:00 p.m. in our school library.

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Student Card Discounts

Walkerton

AJ's Art Supplies	10% off regular merchandise excluding custom framing
Cartwright's	10% off any price
Dunkeld	10% off an order of chicken wings
Essential Aesthetics	free eyebrow wax at the time of appointment booking
Godfathers	\$2.25 for a slice of pizza, \$2.75 for a slice of pizza & pop
Holst Office Supplies	\$2.00 off all calculators
Joy Source for Sports	10% off regular priced clothing
J.R.'s Ranch House	Free treat with the purchase of a burger
New Orleans	Free can of pop with the purchase of a slice of pizza
Phoenix Street Wear	10% off
Pizza Delight	10% off purchase of slice of pizza & can of pop
Simply Deli-cious	10% off
Stedmans	10% off any price
Subway	Free cookie with purchase of sub
The Shoe Shack	10% off regular priced merchandise
TK's Deli and Pizzeria	10% off a purchase over \$8.00
Victor Lair	15% off regularly priced merchandise

Hanover

Anastasia's Soda Fountain & Chocolate Shoppe	10% off excluding specials & discounts
Annie's Chocolates	no tax
Coffee Culture	10% off
Frankie's Restaurant	15% off
Harvey's Swiss Chalet	15% off
Lightening Lanes	\$3.50 student rate, free shoe rental before 6:00 pm weekdays
McDonald's	Free upsize with purchase of meal, no drive-thru
MicroAge	10% discount on printer ink, toner & paper
New For You	\$10.00 off new clothing purchases of \$60.00 or more before taxes
Neo-Primitive	10% off store merchandise
Subway	Free cookie with purchase of sub/wrap/salad
Sugar Shack	\$2.00 for a single cone
Ten-der Pizza Inc.	One slice & small pop for \$2.00
Todd's Music	10% off regular priced items

Kincardine

Asian Food Store	10% off non food products
Gordon Pharmasave	10% off excluding sale items, prescriptions & products with codeine
Wetshore Clothing	No tax

Mildmay

Harley's Pub and Perk	Free fountain pop with any purchase
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Teeswater

Boomer's Cosy Restaurant	No tax on order
Laney's	10% off order



DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

Fri. Nov. 2	Semi-formal Dance
Mon. Nov. 5	PD Day
Thurs. Nov. 8	Semester 1 - Term 1 Ends
Fri. Nov. 9	Semester 1 - Term 2 Begins
Fri. Nov. 9	Remembrance Day Liturgy
Tues. Nov. 13	Marks Due
Mon. Nov. 19	Mid-Term Report Cards sent home
Nov. 26 - 30	Phys. Ed Swimming
Wed. Nov. 28	Early Dismissal

HOBY Leadership Seminar

Gr. 10 Students Eligible to Apply

Sacred Heart High School will be sending one gr. 10 student to the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership (HOBY) Conference at Ridgetown College, in May, 2008. HOBY motivates and develops future leaders, preparing them for positions in their schools and helping them to expand the talents that will serve them and others in the future. The HOBY seminar was first introduced to Canada in 1981. Although HOBY originated in the U.S.A., these weekend leadership seminars are totally Canadian in focus and content.

All gr. 10 students are invited to apply to attend this HOBY conference. There is no cost to the student for this weekend conference. Gr. 10 students from across southwestern Ontario will meet for this conference at Ridgetown College, on the weekend of May 2 - 4, 2008.

Application details will be presented to the grade 10 students in their home room class, in mid-November. Further details regarding the HOBY conference are available through the guidance office.

Find out what all the Racket is about?



BADMINTON CLUB is every Wednesday night in the gym from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Join Mr. Gagnon, Mrs. Kunkel, Mr. Hicks, Mrs. Kelly, and Mr. Striukas. All are welcome, bring your racket!

Parent Tip of the Month - The internet can be a great resource to your student, but it can also be fraught with danger. Parents need to be actively involved in monitoring the use of the internet when it is present in their home. Placing your computer in a high traffic area, using programs to control access to unwanted sites and strict rules about entering chat rooms can go a long way in protecting your children from proven dangers on the internet.

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HEROIC TALENT AT "THE HEART'S" CABARET



Another school year is in full swing, and the students at "The Heart" have been preparing for their annual Cabaret. It is held every holiday season showcasing a myriad of student talent. This year's cabaret will be held Wednesday, November 28, 2007 at 7:30 PM. Our play entitled "Heroes Wanted" promises to be an entertaining show; filled with laughter and excitement as our Sub Heroes prove that everyone has the potential to be truly heroic.

"Heroes Wanted" is entirely student written and produced. This year's writers and producers, Jake Detzler and Elisha Holst are busily organizing both the technical and performance aspects of the show. "Heroes Wanted" features the amazing talents of our very own students, including vocalists, instrumentalists, dancers, and both the senior and grade 9 school bands. The high caliber of performances of recent years, such as former student Anthony Black who recently won first place at the Western Fair in London, and will soon be performing at the CNE in Toronto, will certainly be demonstrated once again this year with a new roster of talent.

True to the super hero story, "Heroes Wanted" intertwines a plot full of twists, turns and suspense with a cast of heroic super heroes and villains. When the balance between Yin and Yang is disrupted by the evil nemesis, the Mind, the twins realize their unique time stopping power can be used to rule the world. In an attempt to save the world from ultimate domination from Yin and Yang, the Super Heroes are called in and thwart their corruption, stripping the twins from both their power and memory. To celebrate their success, the Super Heroes throw a party filled with talent and entertainment. Meanwhile, under the 'careful' watch of the Sub Heroes, Yin and Yang are accidentally released back into the world, leaving them vulnerable to the Mind and his team of evil villains ... are the Super Heroes able to foil the Mind's plans yet again? Or is the world doomed to fall under the evil power of the villains? The answer will be revealed at this year's cabaret.

The show runs Wednesday, Nov. 28th at 7:30 PM (snow date Thursday, Nov. 29th). Doors open at 7:00 PM. Admission prices are \$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 students and seniors, \$3.00 for children 12 and under. Tickets go on sale Monday, November 12th at the school and Holst Office Supplies, Walkerton. We recommend that you purchase your tickets early to avoid disappointment. For more information, please contact the school at 519-881-1900.

House of Commons Page Program

Deadline - Monday, December 3, 2007

House of Commons Pages are selected from high schools across Canada every year. They serve the House of Commons while beginning their studies at a university in the National Capital Region.

Pages are contracted to work at the House of Commons for one year beginning in late August, 2008. They will work a minimum of 15 hours a week and their work schedule is coordinated with their university schedule.

A salary of \$11,236 will be paid in 26 equal payments to Pages throughout their working year. In addition, a sum of \$1,200 will be paid at the successful completion of the contract in August, 2009.

Each candidate must:

- be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident;
- be graduating from a secondary school and beginning full-time university studies in September, 2008;
- have an overall academic average of at least 80%
- have a superior knowledge of both official languages, as evaluated by the House of Commons;
- apply to a university in the National Capital Region, be accepted and accept the offer of admission.

Further information and application forms are available at the guidance office and on the Internet. Applications may be submitted online at <http://www.parl.gc.ca/hocpage>.

This year's deadline for application is Monday, December 3, 2007.

Lions Effective Speaking Contest

English or French

Open to ALL Students at three levels

Junior Grade 6 to 8

Intermediate Grade 9 to 10

Senior Grade 11 and 12

Competes at Lions Club, Region and District levels

Plus, an invitation to MD "A" Lions Convention

District Winners: All expense paid weekend at Finals

Grand Prize: \$1000.00 - Senior

\$1000.00 - Intermediate

\$500.00 - Junior

For more information contact: Martin Mirander

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Transportation of Equipment on School Buses

The Manual for School Vehicle Operations produced by the Ministry of Transportation and Communitcaions states that firearms or anything of a dangerous nature must not be trasported while students are being carried.

1. Certain conditions govern the transporting of some specific items:

a) **Skates Skate** blades shall be covered by gudard, tied together and carried in a bag. The skates shall be palced on the floor of the bus at the students' feet.

b) **Skis and Pole Skis** and ski poles may not be transported on a school bus unless that bus is equipped with suitable storage space, under the floor of the bus or on the outside of the bus, in accordance with The Highway Traffic Act.

c) **Hockey Equipment** with the exception of hockey sticks, **no hockey equipment** shall be transported to and from school on a bus without special permission of the principal and the driver unless that bus is equipped with suitable storage space. Hockey sticks may be taken to school provided that they are stored in a safe and secure place, to be determined by the driver.

d) **Musical Instruments** Musical instruments may be transported in cases only, and shall be kept on the student's lap, while the student is on the bus; larger instruments may be placed on an empty seat.

The decision whether or not to transport other items of equipment or objects to and from schools for use in programs currently in operation or in programs being planned for the future will be determined in advance co-operatively by the principal and the school bus operator concerned.

Inclement Weather Plans - What Will You Do If Your Bus is Stranded in Walkerton?

Students and parents are encouraged to develop contingency plans in the event that school buses get stranded in Walkerton at the end of the day due to inclement weather.

Do you have a relative or friend in Walkerton that can take you in for the night if your bus is unable to leave Walkerton? We had a few occasions when some buses were unable to leave the school due to road closures. Although such an occurrence is rare, it can happen, so we need to be ready for such an event.

Please note that with 800 students and just 5 phone lines, it is impossible for everyone to make multiple phone calls to develop a plan at the last minute. Please develop a plan in advance so that you will know what you are going to do in such an event.

If you live in Walkerton and your family is willing to take in a student in such circumstances please let the school know.



Alternate Busing



Alternate Bus Transportation is only provided for the purpose of either a care giver / baby sitter or for joint custody situations. Bus routes will not be alternated to accommodate a care-giver/baby sitter which means a bus route will not be re-routed or a stop added. Alternate transportation arrangements must follow a regular schedule of 5 days per week.

We do not permit students to ride alternate buses (buses other than their regular bus) for:

extra-curricular activities (i.e. music lessons, swimming lessons, hockey, skating, etc.)

part-time jobs or volunteer work

a temporary arrangement (i.e. when parents go on vacation or out-of-town on business.)

We will permit a student to get off their regular bus at another existing stop if we receive the request in writing from a parent / guardian. (Example: A student has a part-time job. There is a stop on the student's regular bus that is closer to their job than their home stop is. The student would be permitted to get off the bus at the closer stop, if written notification has been received from a parent / guardian). Written requests should be given to the principal and then the principal will forward a copy to the bus operator.



Cross Country Season A Success

The cross country running team had a fun and exciting season of competition this year. Members of this year's team were Diane Zettel, Ben Carroll, Ryan Small, Adam Thomas, Brent Wilhelm, Kyle Bross and Matt Osborne. The team began practices in early September and attended a number of meets throughout October. Highlights of the season included top 10 finishes for five of our runners at the BAA Championships. Ben Carroll is congratulated for his capture of the midget boys' BAA Championship.

The season ended October 25, at the CWOSSA Championships, Bechtel Park, Waterloo. All team members ran exceptional races at CWOSSA. There are over 65 schools competing at the CWOSSA level and approximately 150 runners in each event. Once again, Ben Carroll was the first Bluewater runner over the finish line in the midget boys' race, finishing 17th overall.

We are very proud of our runners. All team members are congratulated for their team spirit, dedication, and effort throughout the season.

Mrs. C. Mount and Mr. C. Hambrock
Coaches

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