



The Heart Beat



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NOVEMBER 2009

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 me to see that better way must start right here, right now with me.

Help me to see that I can give peace a chance by the way I treat my friends, my family, my teachers, my students, myself.

Help me to see the many times

I find myself caught in warring ways.

Help me to find creative ways

of being with my anger, of healing my fears, or working through my conflicts.

Give me the strength to start over and continue to give peace a chance.

Amen

Royal Canadian Legion Remembrance Day Contest

The English department is currently hosting an in-school contest for all creative writers who wish to participate in this year's Remembrance Day Contest. The subject is **Remembrance**. Students may write a poem or an essay. Money prizes will be awarded to the top three writers in each category. The best entries will be sent on to the Royal Canadian Legion for judging. See Mrs. Sakal in Rm. E113 for specific details and deadlines.



COLD & FLU SEASON

Cold and flu season has arrived at SHHS. Absenteeism rates have been extremely high over the past week. Please see the Public Health site for the latest information about the H1N1 virus (<http://www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca>).

Take Our Kids To Work Day

Grade 9 students across the province will be participating in Take Our Kids to Work Day on Wednesday, November 4, 2009. Students are encouraged to learn more about the world of work by accompanying a parent, relative, friend, or community host to their workplace. Information regarding this day and the required consent forms were sent home with grade 9 students during the first week of October.

Workplace safety is of the utmost importance during *Take Our Kids to Work*. Parents must determine areas that are safe for visiting and provide their child with supervision throughout the day.

MID-TERM REPORT CARDS

Mid-term Report Cards will be distributed to students on Monday November 16th. Semester 1 Parent-Teacher Interviews were held on Thursday October 22nd. If you have a question or concern regarding your child's progress please contact your child's teacher.

Please complete the Response Form on Page 2 of the Report Card and return it to the main office at the school.

BUS CANCELLATIONS

Winter is rapidly approaching. In the event of inclement weather please listen to our local radio stations for bus cancellations.

EARLY DISMISSAL

A reminder that Wednesday November 25th will be our next Early Dismissal Day. Students will be dismissed at 1:19 p.m. (2 hours earlier than normal).

LateTaxi/Bus



NOV. 2,3,4,10,11,12,16,18,19,23,24,26,30
DEC. 1,2,8,9,10,14,16,17

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House of Commons Page Program Deadline - Monday, December 7, 2009

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 2010. They will work a minimum of 15 hours a week and their work schedule is coordinated with their university schedule.

A salary of \$11,461 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 2011.

Each candidate must:

- be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident;
- be graduating from a secondary school and beginning full-time university studies in September 2010;
- 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 7, 2009.

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 18th. 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.

OYAP

What do you plan to do with your future? Have you considered starting an apprenticeship while still in high school? Visit the Guidance Office for more information about the Ontario Youth Apprenticeship Program.

Cabaret 2009... "Closing Curtain at the Heart"



Students at Sacred Heart High School in Walkerton are gearing up for their 19th annual cabaret production. This year's cabaret, entitled **Closing Curtain at the Heart** will be held on Wednesday, November 25, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium, with the snow date being Thursday, November 26th.

The annual fun-filled show features a wide variety of student talent acts including vocal performances featuring pop, rock and ballads by contemporary artists. Various types of dance such as acro-jazz and baton will be showcased. Instrumental musical numbers including ensemble, guitar, piano and appearances by both grade nine and senior bands will round out the night's entertainment..

What makes this talent show truly unique is the inclusion of an original student written script, which interweaves itself throughout the various performance acts. This year's plot revolves around an award show full of glitz, glamour and celebrities all vying for the top prize in each of their performance categories. Their quest for fame and glory is interrupted when a mysterious masked man begins to create mayhem throughout the night. The stars must band together to unmask the phantom stalker before he closes the curtains on the award show for good.

Cabaret is a student driven production where students take the lead role in the planning, performance and production of the show. Vanessa Huber and Kristen Ruetz, this year's producers, are co-producers and are busy working with the planning committee on ensuring that this year's show will be the best yet.

Tickets for **Closing Curtain at the Heart** will go on sale at Sacred Heart High School's main office beginning Monday, November 2, 2009. Admission prices are \$9.00 for Adults, \$5.00 for Students/Seniors and \$3.00 for Children twelve and under. For further information, call the school at 519-881-1900. We hope you will be our guests on the red carpet.

PLEASE CALL

If you know that your son or daughter will be away from school, PLEASE CALL and let us know. 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.



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Krispy Kreme Day in Walkerton!

Thursday, December 3, 2009
SHHS Music Room
\$8.00 per dozen

For pre-orders call the school
Delivered fresh from the oven

Can be frozen

Proceed to the

Dominican Republic Mission Trip 2010



Video Surveillance in School and School Buses

Sacred Heart High School and its bus operators utilize video surveillance equipment.

The equipment is utilized for the purpose of:

- * ensuring the on-going safety of students
- * promoting a safe, positive learning environment in our schools
- * controlling vandalism and theft of school property
- * collecting information in cases where the Board has suspicion of criminal illegal activity

The following sign is posted in our school:

'The use of video surveillance is in effect.'

The personal information is collected under the authority of the Education Act S. 170 and will be used to reduce/prevent property vandalism, theft and violence and to ensure the safety of students.

Questions about this collection should be directed to:

FIPPA Coordinator

Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board

Catholic Education Centre

799 16th Avenue

Hanover, Ontario

N4N 3A1 519-364-5820

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next School Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday November 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the library. Everyone is welcome to attend. Jackie Dally and Wayne Poechman are the co-chairs of our School Council for the current year.

THE ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL LITERACY TEST (OSSLT)

Students who are in Grade 10 (and those who did not successfully complete the test in previous years) will be writing the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test on April 8th, 2010. Students should be preparing in advance to ensure that they are successful on the test. Sample preparation materials/questions from previous tests can be found on the EQAO Web Site at <http://www.eqao.com>. Students should check out the type of questions that they will face on the test and practice such question types so that there are no surprises on the test. Successfully completing the Literacy Requirement is mandatory to receive your Ontario Secondary School Diploma.

A 5-session literacy test preparation course will be offered at Sacred Heart after-school in March if there is sufficient interest. Watch for more details in the January and February Newsletters.

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? Over the past number of years we have had a few occasions when some buses were unable to leave Walkerton 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, 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 billet in such circumstances please let the school know. Also, if you live outside Walkerton and don't know anyone in the town please let the school know so that we can help you develop a plan.



Over \$4000.00 was raised for the school Terry Fox Run Fri. Sept. 25th.

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PLANNING AHEAD

The board has renewed its licence to access the website www.myblueprint.ca. This website allows students to enter the secondary school courses they plan to take and then see the post-secondary programs and careers that are open to them. This is particularly beneficial for students in Grade 8 planning their secondary school program as well as students currently in secondary school. To enter the website use the activation key "sacredwalk". Students are then able to create a profile and go from there.



Congatulation to Mrs. Cowe who was awarded the Coaching to Inclusion Teacher of the Year Award at the Coaching Inclusion Conference in London on October 16th.



DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

November 4 th	National Take Our Kids to Work Day - Grade 9 Students
November 11 th	Remembrance Day Service
November 11 th	School Council Meeting - 7:00p.m.
November 12 th	Picture Retake Day
November 13 th	PD Day
November 16 th - 20 th	Grad Photos
November 16 th	Mid-Term Report Cards Sent Home with Students
November 25 th	Early Dismissal Day - 1:19 p.m.
November 25 th	Cabaret
December 4 th	PD Day
December 14 th	Interim Reports
December 17 th	Advent Mass
April 8 th	Literacy Test

Sacred Heart High School Cross Country Running Team

The SHHS cross country running team competed at the BAA Championships (Bluewater Athletic Association) on Friday, October 23. Despite the rainy and cold weather conditions, the runners demonstrated focus and determination throughout the competition. Five of the twelve team members finished in the top ten. Awards were received by runners achieving top six placings. Hayley Fischer was 3rd in the Midget girls' 3 km. race, Melina Buhring finished 6th in the Junior Girls' 4 km. race and Heather Cummings was 9th in the Senior girls' 5 km. competition. In the boys' division, Brendan Alexander was 8th in the Midget 5 km. run and Ryan Bross was 3rd in the Junior 6 km. race.

Team members also represented Sacred Heart at the CWOSSA Championship Cross Country Meet. The Bluewater Athletic Association hosted this meet at Buck's Crossing Golf Course on October 29. Over 1400 runners competed at the CWOSSA meet in order to qualify for the OFSAA Championships (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations). Highlights of this meet include Hayley Fischer finishing 13th out of 172 runners in the Midget girls race and Ryan Bross running to a 12th place finish in a field of 201 Junior boys. Although no Sacred Heart athlete qualified for the OFSAA Championship all athletes are congratulated for their participation and excellent team spirit.

Mrs. Mount and Mr. Hambrock are very proud of all team members. Thanks for an awesome season!

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY APPLICATIONS

For students planning to apply to postsecondary schools this year, the deadline for college applications is February 1st, 2010 and the deadline for university applications is January 13th, 2010. However, it is the hope of our Guidance Department that all applications will be completed prior to the Christmas Break.



Staff and students participate in a school arial photo on the soccer field.

EXAM SCHEDULE

Exams for first term will be held from Friday January 29th to Wednesday February 3rd. Period 1 exams will be written on Day 1 (January 29th), Period 2 exams will be written on Day 2 (February 1st), Period 4 exams will be written on Day 3 (February 2nd), and Period 5 exams will be written on Day 4 (February 3rd). If any exam days are postponed due to weather cancellations, the postponed exams will be written on the next school day and the remaining exam schedule will be delayed by one day. Attendance for exams is mandatory. Please do not book any appointments on these dates.



War Reenactment carried out under the supervision of Sacred Heart High School history teachers Mr. Legace and Mr. Turcotte.



Driver Education Classes 2009-2010



Cost: \$460.00 per student

Session # 3	Nov. 16 - Dec. 9 Nov. 16, 18, 23, 25, 30 Dec. 2, 7, 9	Monday & Wednesday 8 - sessions 3:30 - 6:10 p.m.
Session # 4	Feb. 9 - Mar. 4 Feb. 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25 Mar. 2, 4	Tuesday & Thursday 8 - sessions 3:30 - 6:10 p.m.
Session # 5	Apr. 19 - May 12 Apr. 19, 21, 26, 28 May 3, 5, 10, 12	Monday & Wednesday 8 - sessions 3:30 - 6:10 p.m.
Session # 6	May 15 - June 12 May 15, 29 June 5, 12	Saturday 4 - sessions 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

See Mrs. MacDonald in the office for more information.

GRADE 9 REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2010

We are currently compiling a mailing list identifying all current Grade 8 students and parents who may be interested in coming to Sacred Heart High School in September. We will use this list to send out information regarding upcoming dates (Parent Nights/ Student Orientation Days), information about our school and registration procedures. Grade 8 students currently at one of our feeder schools will automatically receive this information. However, if you know of students currently attending a public or private school who may be interested in attending Sacred Heart in the fall, please have them call the school (519) 881-1900 and ask to be added to our mailing list. Thanks for your assistance in getting the word out.

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Reminder - All students are required to complete 40 hours of volunteer community involvement prior to graduation. The forms to record these hours and the list of eligible activities are available in the guidance office. Students are encouraged to hand in these completed sheets to the main office as they complete their hours.



Go SHHS Go



CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The fall season for co-curriculars is quickly drawing to a close. In the winter season, boys' basketball, girls' volleyball and boys' and girls' hockey will be starting up. Students are encouraged to listen to upcoming announcements for try-out dates. Students may also talk to the coaches listed below for more information:

- Jr. Boys' Basketball - Mr. Striukas
 - Sr. Boys' Basketball - Mr. Dunn
 - Jr. Girls' Volleyball - Mrs. Dunn
 - Sr. Girls' Volleyball - Mrs. Mount
 - Girls' Hockey - Mr. Johnson, Mr. Turcotte
 - Boys' Hockey - Mr. Orr, Mr. Hambrock
 - Swimming - Mr. Kuntz
- Remember to get involved!

2009 Cheerleading Team

Coach: Mrs. Stanislow

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| Kelsey Berberich | Kyle Steckley |
| Erica Mawhinney | Celina Brown |
| Avery Lafortune | Cassie Davidson |
| Amelia Popiez | Dominique Pilon |
| Alisa Lieber | Brittney Alexander |
| Amanda Love | Mikayla Ozorio |



AJ Anstett driving past Saugeen Royals defender during recent BAA Senior Girls Basketball game.

Three SHHS Jr. Boys soccer players have KDSS player covered.



SHHS SAC Executive

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| Jon Ruetz | President |
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| Bridget King | Trustee |
| Katrina Kupferschmidt | Secretary |
| Brandon Koebel | Treasurer |
| Brady Collins | Spirit Convener |
| Callee Rice | Spirit Convener |
| Sabrina Clark | Spirit Committee |
| Karen Grubb | Spirit Committee |
| Kelsey Miller | Spirit Committee |
| Bayley Doerr | Spirit Committee |
| Kelsey Juffs | Spirit Committee |
| Petra Benard | Spirit Committee |
| Britt Gamble | Spirit Committee |
| Alison Bross | Spirit Committee |
| Olivia Nussey | Assembly Convener |
| Mike McKague | Assembly Convener |
| Angela Brick | Assembly Convener |
| Amberly Keelan | Assembly Committee |
| Andrew Zettel | Assembly Committee |
| Kyle Osterdorff | Assembly Committee |
| Jessica Thacker | Assembly Committee |
| Ali Arthur | Assembly Committee |
| Allana Durrer | Assembly Committee |
| Logan Reidt | Assembly Committee |
| Matt McLean | Promotional Sales |
| Nikki Funk | Promotional Sales |
| Derek Ditner | Athletic Convener |
| Colleen Parks | Athletic Convener |
| Dave Carroll | Athletic Union |
| Lesa Kittel | Athletic Union |
| Sarah Durrer | Athletic Union |
| Jocelyn King | Athletic Union |
| Ben Carroll | Athletic Union |
| Carly Moore | Athletic Union |
| Kaila Radan | Green Consultant |
| Lindsey Lippert | Green Consultant |
| Emma Parker | Green Committee |
| Rebecca Cote | Green Committee |
| Zera Murphy | Green Committee |
| Megan Schlorff | Green Committee |
| Jessica Schmaltz | Gr.10 Representative |
| Courtney Hicks | Gr.11 Representative |
| Leah Cantlon | Gr.12 Representative |
| Lisa Bohnert | Dance Convener |
| Rebecca Lemay | Dance Convener |
| Julie Chesney | Dance Committee |
| Sarafina Pagnotta | Dance Committee |
| Janel Osterdorff | Dance Committee |
| Matt Schuett | Video Promotions |
| Scott Kunkel | Video Promotions |
| Alana Kreller | Video Promotions |
| Justine Lennox | Spiritual Representative |
| Courtney Bushell | Public Relations |
| Emmaline Scharbach | Public Relations |
| Cody Long | Trinity Representative |

STUDENTS - PLEASE TAKE THIS NEWSLETTER HOME FOR YOUR PARENTS TO READ EACH MONTH!

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