



St. James the Apostle Catholic Elementary School

JANUARY NEWS

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A Message from Mrs. Minicucci

Welcome Back! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas with family and friends.



It's exciting to launch into a new year and look ahead to all that awaits us!

INFORMATION CHANGE

If any of your information changes throughout the year (new phone numbers, new address, etc.) please inform Mrs. Ferrari as we need to ensure that our information is correct and current.

PUNCTUALITY AND ATTENDANCE MATTER

Our morning bell to start the day rings @ 8:35 am.

Students should have arrived to school by this time and enter with their classmates. Any student arriving after the bell must report to the office where a late slip will be issued.

The bell to end the lunch period rings at 12:10 pm at which time any student that has left for lunch should have returned to school.

INCLEMENT WEATHER AND SCHOOL CLOSURES

Please tune in to local news stations or visit the Board website at hwcdsb.ca for any announcements regarding school closures and/or the cancellation of inclement weather.

WINTER PARKING LOT SAFETY

As winter weather is here, we remind parents and students to be extremely cautious in the parking lot during drop-off and pick-up times. Please drive slowly through the lot as we cannot ensure that the area is always salted.



PIZZA DAYS

Please be advised that we will no longer be providing pizza on the following pizza day for students who were absent on the previous one. This has caused some confusion and mix-up.

If you wish, we are more than happy to give the pizza to a sibling and they can bring it home for their brother/sister who is absent.

Thank you for your understanding.

COLD AND FLU SEASON

During the winter months we often see an increase in cold & flu viruses. If your child(ren) is sick, please keep them home to recover.

If your child shows symptoms of a cold or flu during the school day, we will contact you to have him/her picked up. Please review proper hygiene with your children (frequent washing of hands, coughing and sneezing into the elbow etc.) to help reduce the spread of germs.



Please ensure that your children are appropriately dressed for the cold weather. There are many winter items left behind at the school every day. Please consider labelling your child(ren)'s clothing.

We ask that students bring an extra pair of indoor shoes to wear in the classrooms. Shoes can be left overnight at school in a bag on the child's hook.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Please join us at our next C.S.C. Meeting Monday Jan. 15, 2018 @ 6:30 pm.

CHURCH NEWS

Parent Meetings for First Reconciliation and First Communion at the church.

*Thursday, Jan. 11, 2018 @ 7:00 pm or

*Saturday, Jan. 13, 2018 @ 10:00 am or

*Sunday, Jan. 21, 2018 @ 2:00 pm

Confirmation Meeting for those who missed original meetings in October
Saturday Jan. 27, 2018 @ 11:00 am