









**St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School - WEEK at a GLANCE – December 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>**

During the month of December, we will be learning and praying about the Fruits of the Holy Spirit called – “Patience”

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Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22
<p>St. Mary Secondary School Christmas Concert - Cancelled</p> <p>ARC Working Committee Meeting at Notre Dame at 6PM - Members of the Public are Welcome.</p> 	<p>Cram the Cruiser beginning at 9:00 AM</p>  <p>JK - 4 to Cineplex to see "The Star"</p> 	<p>Hockey Hall of Fame Trip for Grades 5,6,7,8</p> 	<p>HAPPY THURSDAY</p> 	<p>Hot lunch items will be posted online January 8<sup>th</sup> (Hot dogs on January 22<sup>nd</sup> and Pizza on February 5<sup>th</sup>).</p> 

**Important Scheduling Change:**  
 Unfortunately, due to unforeseen scheduling issues at the High School, our trip to St. Mary's CSS is cancelled. We are disappointed to not have this opportunity, but we are involved in some exciting trips this week! Thank you for your understanding.

**MONDAY AND TUESDAY – LAST DAY FOR FOOD DONATIONS!!!! STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO BRING IN NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS AS A DONATION TO THE FOOD BANK – LET’S CLEAN OUT THOSE FOOD CUPBOARDS THIS WEEKEND!!!**

## **Principal's Message:**

Hello Everyone,

On behalf of the staff and students of St. Joseph CES, I would like to thank you all for your support and attendance at our Christmas Concert! What an amazing night full of talent and community building! Thank you all for your best wishes and support of our wonderful staff and students, at St. Joseph's!!! Next week is a fun week full of class trips and holiday activities! Remember that our Food Drive continues Monday! We will help to "Cram the Cruiser" on Tuesday morning, before our students from JK-Grade 4 travel to see "The Star"! Have a fabulous weekend and stay warm!

Thank you always, for your support of your child's Catholic Education!  
Blessings, Mrs. Brodie ☺

## **Looking Ahead...**

- **December 25<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Holidays Begin**
- **January 8<sup>th</sup> – School resumes at 8:20 AM**
- **January 15 – 19 – Kindergarten Registration Week**
- **January 18 – Grade 8 Open House at St. Mary Catholic Secondary School**
- **January 22<sup>nd</sup> – Hot Dog Day**
- **January 26<sup>th</sup> – Mass at our school**
- **January 26<sup>th</sup> Alt. January 29<sup>th</sup> – Volleyball at St. Mary CSS**



### **❖ OHIP+: Children and Youth Pharmacare Key Facts for Patients and Families**



#### **❖ What is OHIP and Children and Youth Pharmacare?**

- ❖ Beginning January 1, 2018, the province will provide free prescription drug coverage for children and youth aged 24 and under, regardless of family income. Under OHIP+, over four million Ontario children and youth will have access to over 4,400 medications and other drug products. This will help many families access medications their children need to stay healthy at no cost – no co-payment or annual deductible. Enrollment in OHIP+ will be automatic, based on age. There are no upfront costs for eligible medications. Those who are eligible for OHIP+ will only need their health card number and a valid prescription from their doctor or nurse practitioner when they visit their pharmacist.

#### **❖ What drugs will be covered?**

- ❖ OHIP+ will cover all drugs currently covered through the Ontario Drug Benefit program. This includes more than 4,400 drug products listed on the Ontario Drug Benefit Formulary/Comparative Drug Index. Additional drugs are also eligible for funding through the Exceptional Access Program.
- ❖ Examples of common drug products used by children and youth, age 24 and under that will be covered by OHIP+ include:
  - ❖ • Antibiotics to treat infections
  - ❖ • Inhalers for asthma
  - ❖ • Various insulins, oral diabetic medications and diabetes test strips
  - ❖ • Antidepressants • Epilepsy drugs
  - ❖ • Medications to treat mental health conditions
  - ❖ • Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) drugs
  - ❖ • Drugs to treat some childhood cancers and other rare conditions
- ❖ Visit the Ontario Drug Benefit Formulary/Comparative Drug Index at [www.formulary.health.gov.on.ca/formulary/](http://www.formulary.health.gov.on.ca/formulary/) to find out if a drug is listed on the formulary or ask your pharmacist for help. W
- ❖ If you have any questions about OHIP+, please send an email to [OHIPplus@ontario.ca](mailto:OHIPplus@ontario.ca).

❖ For more information, please visit: [Ontario.ca/OHIPplus](http://Ontario.ca/OHIPplus).



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