



The Heart Beat



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November 2011

Bless This Day

Loving God, our Creator
bless us this day
in all we do and think and say.
Bless our hearts and our lives
as we walk the way of Jesus.
We ask Your blessing
on all Your people.
May we live in love each day.
We ask this in the name of Your Spirit of love.
Amen.

EARLY DISMISSAL DAYS

The following dates will be early dismissal days this school year; Wed. Nov. 30, Wed. Mar. 28, Wed. May 9. Students will be dismissed 2 hours earlier than normal on these dates at 1:19 p.m.

SCHOOL COSTS

Our school recognizes that expenses for such things as field trip costs and other school fees can cause unnecessary stress in some households. If you find yourself in this position, please contact Mr. Kuntz (by phone or note) to see what arrangements can be worked out. Confidentiality will be maintained.

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 2, 2011. Students are encouraged to learn more about the world of work by accompanying a parent, relative, friend or community host to their workplace. Permission forms were sent home with the gr. 9 students in early 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.



MASS

Sacred Heart Parish, Walkerton

Sat. Dec. 10, 2011

5:00 pm



**For the intentions of the
Staff & Students of
Sacred Heart High School, Walkerton.**

At the prayerful request of
The Sacred Heart Parish Catholic Women's League.

KIDS HELP PHONE - 1 800-668-6868

or

www.kidshelpphone.ca

MID-TERM REPORT CARDS

Mid-term Report Cards will be distributed to students on Wednesday November 23rd. Semester 1 Parent-Teacher Interviews were held on Thursday October 20th. 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.



Late Bus/ Taxi

November	1,2,3,7,9,10,14,15,17,22,23,24,28,29
December	1,5,6,7,13,14,15,19,20,21,22
January	9,10,11,16,18,19,24,25,26
February	6,7,8,14,15,16,21,22,23,27,29
March	1,6,7,8,19,20,21,26,27
April	2,3,4,10,11,12,16,18,19,23,24,26,30
May	1,2,7,8,10,14,16,17,22,23,24,28,29,30
June	4,5,6,11,13,14,18

Roast Chicken Dinner & Silent Auction

in support of the
Nicaragua Mission Trip 2012

Sunday, Nov.20, 2011

**Formosa Community
Centre**

4:30 - 7:00 p.m.



Entertainment by
**KUNG-FU
LAWYERS**

Adults \$12.00
Children 5 -12 \$6.00
**Children under 5 -
FREE**

Tickets available at:

Walkerton - Cuneo Interiors, Pellow Pharmasave, Holst Office Supply
Mildmay - Mildmay Town Crier, Surroundings

Teeswater Curling Club



Looking for a winter sport that the whole family can play? Curling is growing in popularity and could be your chance to be more active through the winter

months. Come and try curling at the Teeswater Curling Club's Open House on Friday, November 18 @ 8pm with absolutely no obligation. All you need is a clean pair of running shoes. If you are interested in curling this year, contact James Elphick at 519-392-6910. Check out our website for more information at teeswatercurlingclub.com.

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 16th. 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.

Sacred Heart High School

Cheerleading Team 2011 - 2012

The Sacred Heart Cheerleading team has completed try-outs and are preparing for our first competition. We will be participating in the Annual Breath of Life Cheerleading Competition in support of Cystic Fibrosis. The competition is held at the University of Toronto, Mississauga Campus, on Sunday, November 27th, 2011. We have a large, co-ed team this year and we are looking forward to another exciting year!

Cheerleading Team 2011 - 2012

Coach: Mrs. Stanislow

Cassie Davidson	Captain	Marissa Lair
Celina Brown	Co-Captain	Jelena Hetsler
Amanda Love	Brenna Wehrle	
Erin Love	Brook McGlynn	
Sharon Kerr	Kristina Zimmerer	
Marley Goetz	Julia Richardson	
Shawna Poechman	Natasha Bolden	
Amelia Popiez	Stefanie Buchanan	
Dominique Pilon	Jordan Voisin	
Mikayla Ozorio	Dillon Martin	
Avery Lafortune	Kelly Hoffarth	
LeeAnne Bolden	Emily Catalano	
Taylor Schmidt	Kyle Steckley	
Alisa Lieber	Kelsey Berberich	
Taryn Hagan	Alicia Mawhinney	



"A SOUNDSATION CHRISTMAS CONCERT"

Proceeds to

Nicaragua Mission Trip 2012

Fri., Dec. 2

Formosa Immaculate
Conception Church
Start 7:59

Sun., Dec. 4

Sacred Heart Church
Walkerton
Start 7:59

Tickets \$10.00

Tickets available at:

Walkerton - Cuneo Interiors, Pellow
Pharmasave, Holst Office Supply
Mildmay - Mildmay Town Crier,
Surroundings



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.

Telephone / Attendance: 519-881-1900 Fax: 519-881-4819 shhs_attendance@bgcdsb.org

Website: <http://shhs.bgcdsb.org>

Email: shhs@bgcdsb.org

HOBY Leadership Conference Gr. 10 Students Eligible to Apply

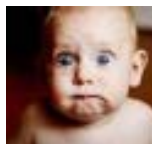
Sacred Heart High School will be sending one gr. 10 student to the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Conference. This conference takes place the first weekend in May at Ridgetown College. HOBY motivates and develops future leaders, preparing them for positions in their schools and helping them to 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 leadership seminars are totally Canadian in focus and content.

All gr. 10 students are invited to apply to attend this HOBY conference. Student services will be visiting gr. 10 classes in November to inform them of the application process. 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, May 4 to May 6, 2012. Further details regarding the HOBY conference are available through the guidance office.



Grad Photos will be set for the week of
November 14-17, 2011

There is a sitting fee of \$20. This fee entitles the student to the proofs as well as a copy of the school composite.



We are also asking all grads to submit a baby photo or an elementary school photo to be used in the yearbook.

If you have any questions or concerns, contact Mrs. Hopcraft.

Breakfast Club



Breakfast Club is up and running for another year with the help of our dedicated volunteers. Bagels, toast, spreads, fruit, yogurt, milk, cereal and juice are available from 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays.

Funding is provided by different organizations but at times we do run short. Monetary or food donations would be greatly appreciated.

When students start their day without breakfast their energy levels, memory and problem solving skills are all affected. It is our aim that all students have an equal chance to start their day with a nutritious breakfast.

8th Annual Doug Kelly Memorial Big Buck Night Contest

\$2000.00 in Prize Money

Top 5 Highest Scoring Racks
3 - \$100.00 Draws

2 - \$50.00 Draw prizes for rack brought in and displayed

SILENT AUCTION

Thurs. Dec. 8th, 2011
7:00 pm
Chepstow Lions Park



Tickets: **\$10.00**
12 years & under FREE

Tickets available at:

Lambertus Insurance*Hudson Auto Centre, Walkerton * Lake Huron Rod & Gun, Kincardine * J & S Tackle, Port Elgin* Wingham Sales Arena, Wingham* Hanover Co-op

Driver Education Classes

Semester 1 2011-2012



Session #3	Nov. 21 - Dec. 14
	<i>Nov. 21, 23, 29, 30</i>
	<i>Dec. 05, 07, 12, 14</i>

Mon.& Wed.
8 - sessions
3:30 - 6:10 p.m.

EPI-PENS

It is very important that the staff of Sacred Heart be aware of all students with life-threatening allergies. Each year the school develops an anaphylactic plan to ensure that we know who carries an epi-pen and where the epi-pen is located in the event of an emergency. At the high-school level, students should carry their epi-pen with them at all times. It is also recommended that a spare emergency epi-pen be left in the main office. If you are a student who carries an epi-pen (or have any other serious medical condition) please see Mr. Kuntz to ensure that we have the information required to assist you in the event of an emergency.



HOMEWORK COLLECTION

It is the student's responsibility to keep up with school work missed due to absences. Students are encouraged to establish a network with classmates to get their school work when absent. With 750 students in the school, it is impossible for the main office to gather homework on a daily basis for students who are away due to illness.



"The Heart of Art" Cabaret 2011

With just over a month to go, the Cabaret Planning Committee here at Sacred Heart is busy working on sets and props for this year's Cabaret: **"The Heart of Art"**.

Set at the prestigious Cane Art Gallery, the plot explores the behind-the-scene antics of the art world as they prepare for the annual Christmas Talent Gala. The cast includes several eccentric artists, former models, art lovers, gallery owners and security staff. The highlight of the gala features the unveiling of a new masterpiece painted by the infamous reclusive "Mars". Like Murphy's Law, anything that can go wrong goes wrong at the gala, and soon the cast of colourful characters find themselves embroiled in a plot of mayhem that becomes the set for the perfect crime.

As in past cabarets, the focus of the show will be on the array of talented students at "The Heart". The various acts will include vocalists singing a range of contemporary and classical tunes. The audience will be wowed by acro-jazz, contemporary and step dancing, not to mention the various instrumentalists on piano, guitar, and flute. As well, both the School Band and the Grade Nine Band will be playing a delightful mix of upbeat numbers sure to please crowds of all ages.

Date: **Wed., Dec. 7th**
Time: 7:30 pm

Tickets will go on sale beginning **Monday, November 7th, 2011** and will be available at Sacred Heart High School's main office and Holst Office Supplies in Walkerton. Admission prices are \$9 for adults, \$5 for students/seniors, and \$3 for children under 12. For more information, call the office at (519)881-1900.



DATES TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November 2 nd	National Take Our Kids to Work Day - Grade 9 Students
November 11 th	Remembrance Day Liturgy
November 14 th	Grad Photos
November 17 th	Semi-Formal Dance
November 18 th	PD Day
November 21 st	School Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
November 23 rd	Mid-Term Report Cards Sent Home with Students
November 30 th	Early Dismissal Day - 1:19 p.m.
December 7 th	Cabaret - School Talent Show
December 19 th	Interim Reports sent home by classroom teachers
January 27 th to February 1 st	Exams
March 29 th	Literacy Test
June 27 th	Graduation - 7 p.m.

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

Royal Canadian Legion Remembrance Day Contest



Are you a good creative writer? Do you like to draw? This annual contest is open to all students in our school. The Intermediate division is for our gr. 9 students. For the **literary** portion of the contest, students need to write a poem no longer than 32 lines or an essay no more than 500 words. The Senior division is for the gr. 10, 11, and 12 students who must write a poem no longer than 32 lines or an essay no more than 800 words. For the **poster** contest, students may do a full colour poster or a black and white entry. See Ms. George-Easton for specifics on the art portion of the contest. The topic is **Remembrance**. All literary entries must be given to English teachers or to Mrs. Sakal in the library. All poster entries should go to Ms. George-Easton. For further information, stop in to the library and see Mrs. Sakal.





All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Fundraiser

in support of

Mission Trip to Nicaragua

Join us to support a good cause and get together with friends for dinner.

**Mon., Nov. 7
4:30 - 9:00 p.m.**

\$12 per person



Price includes All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti, bread grill and a small soft drink, coffee or tea

For more information please contact:
Joy King 519-881-1900

Thank you for your support.
Dine-In only.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next School Council Meeting will be held on Monday November 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the library. Everyone is welcome to attend. Wayne Poechman is the chair of our School Council for the current year.

Library Corner News



We are happy to announce that a **Scholastic Book Fair** will occur once again this year. Mark these dates on your calendar - **Monday, December 5 to Thursday, December 8th**. Parents and students are reminded that the library opens each day at 8:30 a.m. and it closes at 4:00 p.m. so there is a lot of time to come in and make your purchases.

The book fair will also be open the evening of our **Cabaret** performance on Wednesday, December 7th. Look for us in the Guidance Office before the performance begins and during Intermission.

Remember, Christmas is coming and books are a terrific present to give someone of any age.

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE INFORMATION SESSIONS SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL 2011

DATE	TIME	UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE	LOCATION
Tues. Nov. 1	9:30 am	Lambton College	Sarnia
Wed. Nov. 2	10:30 am	Brescia @ Western	London
Thurs. Nov. 3	9:30 am	Laurentian University	Sudbury
Thurs. Nov. 3	1:00 pm	University of Guelph	Guelph
Fri. Nov. 4	9:30 am	Kings University College	@ Western, London
Mon. Nov. 7	11:00 am	Nipissing University	North Bay
Tues. Nov. 8	9:30 am	St. Clair College	Chatham & Windsor
Tues. Nov. 8	1:00 pm	Brock University	St. Catharines
Wed. Nov. 9	9:30 am	University of Windsor	Windsor
Mon. Nov. 14	9:30 am	Wilfrid Laurier University	Kitchener
Tues. Nov. 15	1:00 pm	Fanshawe College	London
Thurs. Nov. 17	11:00 am	University of Ottawa	Ottawa
Mon. Nov. 21	2:15 pm	Humber College	Toronto
Tues. Nov. 22	11:00 am	University of Western Ontario	London
Tues. Nov. 22	1:00 pm	St. Jerome's @ UWO	London
Wed. Nov. 23	10:30 am	Redeemer University College	Ancaster

COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY APPLICATION INFORMATION

Student services hosted a college/university information session in September for post-secondary applicants. Students received information pertaining to the research of post secondary options and the application process. Post-secondary applicants who did not attend this session are encouraged to make an appointment with a guidance counselor who will inform them of this important information.

Students planning to apply to post-secondary schools should be aware of the following deadlines: University Applicants - January 11, 2012

College Applicants - February 1, 2012

It is the hope of our Guidance Department that all applications will be completed on-line prior to the Christmas Break.

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 March 29th, 2012. 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.

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Website: <http://shhs.bgcdsb.org> Email: shhs@bgcdsb.org

GRADE 9 REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER 2012

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 2012. 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.

BUS CANCELLATIONS

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



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 750 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.

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.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The fall season for co-curriculars is quickly drawing to a close. In the winter season, boys' basketball, girls' volleyball, boys' and girls' swimming 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. Wilkin

Sr. Girls' Volleyball - Mrs. Mount

Girls' Hockey - Mr. Johnson, Mr. Turcotte

Boys' Hockey - Mr. Orr, Mr. Hambrock, Mr. Vrolyk

Swimming - Mr. Kuntz

Remember to get involved!

EXAM SCHEDULE

Exams for first term will be held from Friday January 27th to Wednesday February 1st.

Period 1 exams will be written on Day 1 (January 27th), Period 2 exams will be written on Day 2 (January 30th), Period 4 exams will be written on Day 3 (January 31st), and Period 5 exams will be written on Day 4 (February 1st). 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.

