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St. Bernadette's CES

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Dear Families of St. Bernadette's CES,

December is a time of waiting in joyful anticipation for the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ. During the season of Advent, we prepare our minds, hearts and homes for Christ's birth. As we enter into the First week of Advent, we are reminded that Advent is a time of giving and preparation.

Please join us for the production of Starry Night, Noisy Night on Wednesday December 6th from 6:30-7:30 in the gymnasium. This beautiful Christmas play will certainly bring joy to the holiday season. We are very pleased to welcome volunteer members of our Parish on Thursday mornings to pray the Rosary with our students in Grades 1-6. Father Sherwin will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation on December 12th at 9:30 am. Please consider celebrating this healing sacrament with us as we prepare for

Christmas. Finally, our Advent Mass will take place on Monday December 18th at 1:30 at Immaculate Conception Parish. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend all of these special events in preparation for this joyous season.

Our Catholic School Council has been very active and busy this month organizing the Silent Auction for December 6th from 5:30-6:30. All auction items can be found in the newsletter. Thank you so much to our Silent Auction Committee and all donors. We are also planning a school wide Christmas turkey dinner on December 20th. Thank you to all of the staff and volunteers who are working hard to make this special memorable community event happen.

On behalf of the staff of St. Bernadette's, we wish you and your family a blessed, joyous Advent and Christmas season,

Mrs. deHaas, Principal

Christmas Blessing

Loving God, Help us remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and the worship of the wise men. Amen.



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*"For a child has been born for us, a son given to us;
 authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named
 Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
 Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:6)*



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Dear Parents and Guardians:

During this Advent Season, students and staff in our schools have been enthusiastically preparing for the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Our faith traditions help us to think about Jesus' humble birth in a manger, and our Catholic schools provide all members of our Catholic learning communities with a wonderful opportunity to reflect together on the true meaning of Christmas. We are reminded to keep Christ close to us for He is our strength throughout our lives.

In our Catholic schools, students proudly display their faith in action. Whether it is by singing about the coming of our Saviour, organizing food drives, toy drives and clothing collections for those most vulnerable, or celebrating the Eucharist, our students demonstrate the true meaning of the season.

As your Trustee, I thank you for choosing Catholic Education. Your support of our school system is a blessing that allows our students and staff to grow in the love of Christ.

May the spirit of Christmas fill your hearts and homes with peace and joy as you rejoice in our Saviour's birth. I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Theresa McNicol
Trustee

**Theresa McNicol, Trustee
 East Gwillimbury/Georgina/Newmarket**

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Mark your calendars

December 6 - Christmas Play and Silent Auction

December 7 - You're the Chef - Grade Crock-a-doodle - Kindergarten
Rosary - Ms. Mallen, Mrs Hastings

December 11- Catholic School Council Meeting @ 7:00 pm

December 12 -Grade 6 Visit OLL
Dental Checks
Reconciliation- 9:30 am

December 14-Rosary - Mrs. Spalla, Mrs. Brennan

December 15- Junior Trip to ROM

December 18- Advent Mass@ 1:30 pm
Christmas Hat Day
Skating - Quinn and Ponzo @ 10:00 am

December 19 - Bright Lights

December 20- Christmas Luncheon
Christmas Sweater Day

December 21 - PJs Day
Rosary- Mrs. Slaven, Mrs. Fraser

December 22-Christmas Colours Day

December 25- January 5- Christmas Break

January 16 - PA Day

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTIFICATION

School transportation service may be cancelled from time to time due to inclement weather and/or poor road conditions. Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open when transportation services are cancelled.

The safety and well-being of our students is taken into consideration when making decisions concerning transportation service cancellation. Information regarding the cancellation of school transportation or school closures will be made available by 6:15 a.m.

Please exercise discretion in deciding whether to send your child to school when school transportation has been cancelled.

Please note the following:

- A decision to cancel school transportation service will be **region-wide** meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate.
- Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make alternate arrangements to transport their children to and from school if school bus service is cancelled.
- If transportation is cancelled in the morning, it will not operate in the afternoon.
- In the event school transportation is cancelled, exams, tests, quizzes, excursions, charter trips, school programs, co-curricular activities, evening presentations, workshops, as well as, parent meetings (i.e. Identification, Placement, and Review Committee Meetings, IPRCs) will be cancelled and rescheduled.

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- Secondary School Cafeteria Services will be cancelled
- All evening permits will be cancelled
- All Continuing Education evening classes will be cancelled

Further Information regarding the Board's Inclement Weather Guidelines are included on the YCDSB Website at:

<http://www.ycdsb.ca/wp-content/uploads/Inclement-Weather-Notice.pdf>

Inclement Weather Notifications will be posted to:

- School Website & Board Website (www.ycdsb.ca)
- Student Transportation Services of York Region Website (www.schoolbuscity.com)
- Twitter (www.twitter.com/ycdsb)
- Designated Radio and Television Stations

A special thank you to all those who have made our Christmas production a success.



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Silent Auction Donated

Items - Special thank you to all of the donors who so generously supported our Silent Auction.

Hush Lash Gift Basket Set/lashes
 Pines of Georgina 4players, 18 holes and a cart
 Pines of Georgina 1 year membership
 House cleaning minimum \$50
 House cleaning minimum \$50
 Leafs Tickets
 Raptors Tickets
 Connors Music 1 month lessons
 Rob Hawkins- Cleaning Kit
 Holland Marsh Winery Tour for 4
 Erin Blackstock from Therapy Seekers Private Show
 Timberscapes Landscape Gift Certificate
 Mississauga Steelheads OHL Hockey Tickets
 Sobeys \$300 gift Card
 Irish Dancing Lessons 8 weeks \$170 Value
 Sutton West Dental Cleaning /Whitening Kit \$300
 Ride the Wind 1 hour Electric Scooter Rental
 Samsung 50 inch 4K Smart TV
 Courtney Kaykes \$50 gift Certificate- Cakes
 Scentsy Basket
 Lego Package
 Pepperwood Workshop Gift Cert and Fusion Paint Swag Bag
 Giant Tiger Gift Certificate
 Salon Decorum Colour and Cut service and product \$250
 Hand Made Dog Bowl
 Briars 4 players Golf
 Christmas arrangement - Unique Property Management
 Christmas cookie jar
 American girl game and small purse gift basket
 Blanket/snuggie
 Xmas basket - cream/sugar jar, handle towel, small snowman
 Beauty Basket - body soaps, cream
 Crock-a-doodle - piggy bank to paint
 Chicken shack - \$25 gift certificate
 Fellini Fine Wines - gift certificate
 Symposium Keswick - gift certificate
 Room to Bloom -
 Whole Family Health Foods - gift certificate

The Shed - \$25 gift certificates
 The Gem - 2 movie passes
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 Hair Dynasty - mini hair straightener (value \$50)
 Hatley - girls size 5 jammies
 Thirty-One basket
 Wild Bills Restaurant Basket
 Spiralizer Canadian Tire
 Jacksons Place \$50 Gift certificate
 Maple Leafs Glass Basket
 Sports Memorabilia Basket O'Malleys Catering
 \$50 President's Choice Gift Card- Zehrs
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 Family Passes to the Sutton Fair
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 Laura Charlebois Registered Massage Therapist
 Prestige Jewellers
 The Gem
 Canadian Tire
 Manor dental
 The Boondocks Eatery \$25 Gift certificate
 St Louis \$25 Gift Certificate
 Keg \$50 Gift Card
 Keg \$50 Gift Card
 Riverside Auto \$50 Gift Cert.
 Chiropractic Health Dr. Lori Howes- 1hr massage valued at \$100
 Woodriver Estates Apartments- a gift valued at \$250
 Chapters Swag Bag
 Town of Georgina-4x 2hr ROC passes
 2 Tickets to Yuk Yuk at Stephen Leacock Theatre \$50
 Great Wolf Lodge \$200 Gift Card
 Pure NV Tanning basket \$150.0
 Photography Greeting Cards
 Usana Basket \$175
 Colouring Cube and Baby Doll
 Jewellery Swarovski
 Harveys \$25 gift card
 Keswick Flowers and Gifts
 Stihl Cordless Blower

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