

Happy Wednesday St. Margaret Mary Community,

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Saturday, October 23 & Sunday, October 24:** Our Grade 3 students will be receiving their First Holy Communion at St. Margaret Mary Parish. We wish this group of students lots of love, blessings, and continued prayers throughout the year.
- **Wednesday, October 27: PURPLE SHIRT DAY :** we recognize the right of all children and youth to safety and well-being in all areas, and that it takes a community to support families and care for kids. Students and staff are invited to wear purple to show their support.
- **Friday, October 29: Hallowe'en & Black / Orange Day** please see my previous email with more information regarding our celebrations and dress down day.

CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER: We are extending our chocolate fundraiser until the end of October as we have been experiencing issues with our deliveries. As chocolates arrive they are being handed out in order of the requests. We may not be able to provide the exact box requested as stock is very low across the province. If we send a box home that you do not want, you can return to it the school unopened. The response to our fundraiser has been amazing!!! THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

ANONYMOUS BULLYING REPORTING TOOL: The HWCDSB encourages all incidences of bullying to be reported to the school principal. Recognizing that some individuals may not feel comfortable with direct reporting, the HWCDSB has set up a safe and anonymous way to report bullying. Students, parents/guardians and Catholic school community members can use the HWCDSB Anonymous Bullying Reporting Tool. Information provided from the Tool is forwarded to the school administrator for awareness and appropriate follow up. Although the name of anyone reporting is not required, any follow up cannot be provided without contact information. All reports of bullying incidents will be reviewed with appropriate action taken, regardless of the method of reporting. The HWCDSB Anonymous Bullying Reporting Tool is designed for students, parents/guardians and Catholic school community members to report non-emergency incidents of bullying. This tool is not monitored on a 24/7 basis. For an emergency situation, call 911. For a student who needs immediate emotional support, please call the Kids Help Phone: 1- 800-668-6868 or COAST 905-972-8338 or Toll Free: 1-844-972-8338. This crisis line is answered 24/7. The tool can be found at: https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=3mRnGrJqT0uzQfOY6ZcnB0IB7-37xQxKsRE6cR_5Mm1UQVc1VzY5MDZTRDczSEQwR0dQVlNSS1pPNy4u

HWCDSB PARENT NEWSLETTER: [HWCDSB Parent Newsletter October 2021.pdf](#) Alongside this newsletter your child will be receiving a small booklet this week that provides mental health supports and strategies as noted in the attached newsletter.

KEEPING EACH OTHER SAFE: Thank you to our students, staff and parents for continuing to work so diligently to keep everyone healthy and safe! A reminder that masks are only required while students and staff are inside the school. When we are outside masks are not required but physical distancing is strongly encouraged. This also applies to parents/guardians during pick-up times - you are not required to wear a mask outside but we do ask that everyone maintains a safe distance from others outside of their own household.

“Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.” 1 John 4:7

Wishing everyone a safe and healthy rest of the week,

Mrs. Coletto