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**Mission Statement**  
With a pioneering spirit we, the Community of St. Catherine of Siena, are dedicated to fostering a learning environment that encourages academic excellence, faith expression, leadership and the celebration of



**our individual gifts.**

# St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School

**Wash your hands  
often !!**

**Update # 20**

## Update for Jan. 15, 2010

### Early Learning at Siena

This week, the Premier of Ontario announced plans for all day every day Kindergarten for both Senior and Junior Kindergarten. As many of you may know, St. Catherine of Siena has been selected as one of the schools to provide this program in September. This means that our JK and SK students will come to school every day starting September 2010. Currently, our classes run every other day and every other Friday.

Plans for this program are in the very early stages of development. However, Junior Kindergarten registration will go ahead as scheduled beginning Monday January 25.

Information as to what the new Kindergarten day will look like will be sent out as it becomes available to us.

### Haiti Relief Fund Raising Plan

On Wednesday January 20, 2010 our school community will participate in events to raise monies for the Red Cross Haiti Relief Fund. For a donation of a toonie or more, we invite everyone to dress down and wear a funny hat. As a Catholic community, we anticipate everyone's participation and co-operation in this event in hopes of raising as much money as possible to assist the Red Cross in their relief efforts.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Haiti and the relief workers who are working day and night to help these people in need.

### Dates to Remember

Jan. 18	School Council at 6:30
Jan. 20	Dress down funny hat day
Jan. 25	Healthy School Comm. Mtg. at 3:30 in library
Jan. 25	JK Registration
Feb. 1	PD Day
Feb. 9	ARAC meeting at St. Thomas Aquinas at 7:00 p.m.
Feb. 17	Ash Wed. Celebration at 1:30 p.m. in the gym

## **St. Mary School Choir and Orchestra Program**

St. Mary School has begun the application process for entrance to Grade Five for 2010—2011. Brochures with applications will be sent home to our Grade 4 students when they arrive at the school. Please contact your Principal for further details of the application process or call St. Mary School at 519-675-4423. Applications are due to St. Mary School by March 12, 2010.

Application to the program is open to

all Grade 4 students of the London District Catholic School Board. All applicants must have a Catholic Baptismal Certificate.

## **New Year Mass**

Please join us tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. for our first school Mass of 2010. Mass will be celebrated in our gym. Everyone is welcome !!

## **Cold Weather Procedures**

Students are reminded to dress appropriately for the weather. Winter coats, hats, scarves, mittens and boots are needed for outside recess periods. Students are reminded that they must wear these items at recess and in particular hats are to be worn and not to be used as an item of play.

Parents are reminded to check clothing for drawstrings and toggles which can catch on fences or playground equipment.

All students are expected to be outside for recess and lunch unless otherwise directed by the office. Students returning to school fol-

lowing illness are expected to go outside.

We monitor the temperatures and the wind chill throughout the winter to determine outdoor recess and or the length of time outside. Our guidelines are usually –20 and colder inside and –15 to –19 shorter periods of time outside—usually 15 minutes.

On really cold days this is done prior to each recess and lunch time and a log is kept in the office.

## **PD Day Reminder**

Monday February 1 is a PD day for all students.

