Greetings,

We are in Advent people! We prepare our hearts and minds for the blessed coming of our Lord and Saviour. Not only are we preparing to celebrate the birth of our Christ, but we prepare for when He will come again. What are you doing to prepare for this special season of love and blessings? Are you aware of your many blessings and do you express gratitude for the love in your life? Are you willing to overlook what you perceive as a fault in others and celebrate their unique attributes? Will you give more time to your family and friends and less time worrying about buying gifts and decorating your home? Jesus doesn't care if your tree ornaments match or whether you have purchased the biggest gifts under the tree! He cares about YOU! He cares about the things that matter, which are peace, love and kindness. Spend more time in prayer this Advent season. Teach your children the importance of a vibrant faith life. Help others! Connect with others in socially distanced ways. During this season of Advent, your children will be preparing in similar ways here at St. Boniface. Through the videos and love we share with our friends at Twin Oaks, the weekly Google Meet Advent liturgies and the love spread through our 12 Days of Kindness, your child will be learning about the TRUE meaning of this Advent season. This year, more than ever, we need to share the joy and hope of our vibrant faith.

We wish you a peaceful and healthy December, and may God continue to bless you abundantly,

Marylin Dawson
Principal
Our school SIEPSA update

Our staff has set goals for student success. These goals are supported by specific educator moves that are research-based and tested. Some things you will see/hear about happening in your child’s class are:

• Haggerty Phonemic awareness programme is used daily
• Number Talks/Routines are used daily to get our Math thinking brains activated
• Guided Reading happens in ALL classes K-8. Ask your child about what they are learning in their small groups.
• Christian meditation daily

Christmas Masses at St Boniface Church

Parish Council has organized the following system:

1. Christmas Mass times are: December 24th at 5pm and midnight; December 25th at 10am.
2. Due to the challenges of Covid, there will be no pageant and no distribution of candy at the Christmas Family Mass this year.
3. Entry to all Christmas Masses must be reserved through a ‘family pew’ reservation system. We will not be able to allow entrance to the church to people who have not reserved a ticket for their family pew in advance, unless there are unreserved pews remaining.
4. Tickets can be booked for Christmas Masses at the back of the church AFTER Mass on Saturday November 27th, Sunday November 28th, Saturday December 4th, Sunday December 5th. After that, should spaces remain, you may text, call or email lisa.hodgkinson@wcdsb.ca at 519-404-2993 to reserve a pew.
5. No tickets will be issued. Electronic record will be entered. At the time of reserving the seat, you must state how many people will be sitting in your assigned family pew.

Sincerely,
Fr. Grayson Hope

Get your 12 Days of Christmas FUNrasier cards today. Although it starts on the 6th, you can purchase your cards anytime. The more cards you buy, the more entries you get into the Chromebook draw and raffles. Sell these cards (with Chromebook entry) to your families, friends and co-workers. The money raised will go to support your child in extra activities all year round. It is also going for a wonderful mural celebrating our amazing school community. Go to CashOnline TODAY!!