



MANITOBA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' WEEK - CELEBRATING 'FAITH, EXCELLENCE & SERVICE'

This week is a chance to celebrate, and appreciate, the opportunity of Catholic education at Immaculate Heart of Mary School.

the opportunity to 'live' and 'develop' our faith every day.
... the opportunity for religious education and to learn more about God.
... the opportunity for academic excellence.
... the opportunity to learn more about the rich Ukrainian culture.
... the opportunity to experience athletics, arts and technology. Olympic
... the opportunity to be a part of a very special learning community.

The IHMS staff, along with student leaders, have created some fun activities for everyone to enjoy!

Activities include ...

Monday, February 9 - 'Olympic Team Flag Assembly'

Teams gather and bring markers to create a collaborative team flag for the opening ceremonies of our Winter Olympics.

Grades 7 & 8 students will have a Sock-Hop in the afternoon.

Tuesday, February 10 - 'Winter Olympics'

It's a N.U.T. day (No Uniforms Today). Wear your Olympic team colour (provided by the classroom teacher), and all students will be divided into teams to enjoy an afternoon of fun! The day includes opening ceremonies by carrying in the Olympic torch to open the games.

Wednesday, February 11 - Wacky Wednesday

You never know WHO will show up in your classroom! Grades 4 - 8 will have an afternoon of Trivia.

Thursday, February 13 - 'Valentine's Day'

We 'heart' Catholic schools! It's a N.U.T. Day (No Uniforms Today). Wear pink, red, or white for Valentine's Day.

Friday, February 14 - NO CLASSES

All Manitoba Catholic Schools are participating in a professional development day.



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - GRADES 7 & 8 SOCK HOP

Organized by the IHMS Student Council, the grades 7 & 8 classes will have a Sock Hop in the afternoon on Monday, February 9. Students can bring a change of clothes for this dance. It will be a N.U.T. Day in the AFTERNOON ONLY for Grades 7 & 8. Students bring \$5 to cover the cost of pizza and a drink.

A 'Sock Hop' is traditionally known as a dance for teenagers to enjoy popular music.

This name goes back to World War II when young people wanted to raise money for the war.



HOTDOG DAY!

Hot Dog Order Forms will be sent home Tuesday, February 10 and are due Thursday, February 12. Please use the Hot Dog Order Form to place an order with the homeroom teacher. Exact change is needed. Orders after 12:00 noon cannot be accepted. Single Hotdog - \$2.50 Full meal (Hotdog / Chips / Drink) - \$5

Order Forms Due: Thursday, February 12 **Hot Dog Lunch Day:** Thursday, February 19



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12 - EARLY DISMISSAL AT 2:00PM

After School supervision is not provided on Early Dismissal Days and all children are to be picked up promptly at 2:00PM.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12 - CELEBRATING VALENTINE'S DAY

It's a NUT Day on Thursday, February 12! No Uniforms Today ... wear pink, red, or white! IHMS focuses on teaching students to make healthy choices when it comes to diet, and we also need to be very vigilant to allergy concerns. Therefore, families wishing to share a fun treat on Valentine's Day at school should only bring an inexpensive toy or Valentine's card ... **NO FOOD OR CANDY TREATS PLEASE.** Thank you for your cooperation!



LOUIS RIEL DAY - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16 - NO CLASSES

As the Métis leader of the Red River Resistance of 1869-70, Louis Riel was instrumental in drafting the List of Rights, which formed the basis of the Manitoba Act, which was passed by the Parliament of Canada in the spring of 1870 and brought the new province of Manitoba into Confederation.

Louis Riel was the driving force behind Manitoba becoming Canada's fifth province. His dream of a province that embraces all cultures is still shared by Manitobans today. On the third Monday of February, get out and join other Manitobans from all across our great province to celebrate Louis Riel's vision!



IHMS TECH CLUB IS FLYING DRONES!

The IHMS Tech Club meets regularly during lunch recesses to explore emerging technologies. Thank you to Mr. Daniel Brooker (parent volunteer) for presenting to the Tech Club on UAVs (unmanned aerial vehicles). Over the next several weeks, the Tech Club will learn to program and fly drones manually.



FEBRUARY

'I Love To Read Month'

- 9-13 Manitoba Catholic Schools' Week
- 9 School Assembly - Create an Olympic Flag
- 9 1:30 PM Grades 7 & 8 Sock Hop
- 10 Hot Dog Order Form sent home
- 10 N.U.T. Day - Wear Your Olympic Team Colour
- 11 Wacky Wednesday ... who will show up in your class?!
- 11 Grades 4-8 Trivia Contest
- 11 Uniform Shop Open 3:00-5:00PM
- 12 N.U.T. Day - Wear Pink, Red or White for Valentines
- 12 Hot Dog Orders due
- 12 2:00 PM EARLY DISMISSAL
- 13 NO CLASSES - MB Catholic Schools Day
- 16 NO CLASSES - Louis Riel Day
- 16 First Day of Lent
- 19 Hot Dog Lunch Day
- 19 100 Day! ... K-3 celebrate the 100th day of school!
- 19 Grade 8 at Festival de Voyageur
- 19 Fundraising Dinner Tickets Orders Due
- 20 9:00 AM Lenten Prayer Service
- 21. Knights of Columbus Youth Winter Games at IHMS
- 25 Koubass & Cheese orders due
- 26 1:00 PM Sacrament of Confession
- 27 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy at Sts. Vladimir & Olga Cathedral

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer opportunities for February, as well as the Fundraising Gala Dinner, will be posted on Monday, February 9, at noon via the [SignUp Genius Link](#). More information about volunteering for the Fundraising Gala Dinner can be found on the second page of this eNews. As a 'Volunteer Family', **each family is responsible for providing one person to work at one shift** to assist with preparation for the Dinner (if your family still requires volunteer hours for this year).

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 - UNIFORM SHOP OPEN

All IHMS students are required to wear the official IHMS uniform acquired from the IHMS Uniform Shop. There are two ways to purchase from the Uniform Shop: online or in-person. To get the Uniform Shop links, go to our IHMS website.

Please remember...

- Families MUST book a time slot online to shop at the Uniforms Shop in person;
- Bring reusable bags;
- Families can donate slightly used uniforms.

Don't forget to label all uniform pieces!

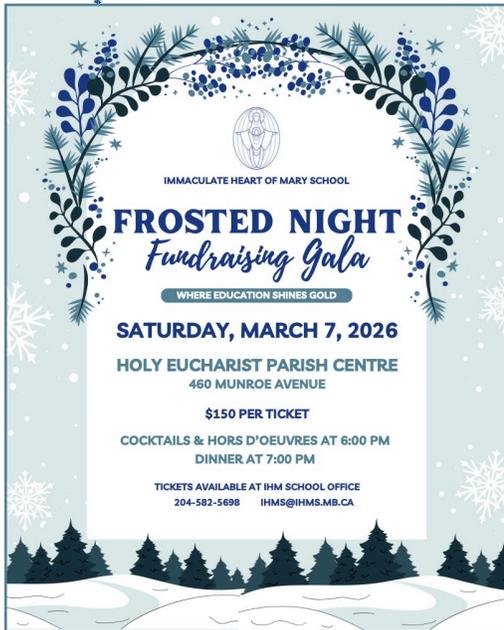
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2 Search our Organization
Immaculate Heart of Mary School (Winnipeg)

3 Purchase your labels and they'll be delivered to your door

4 Label EVERYTHING!

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IHMS FUNDRAISING GALA DINNER - FROSTED NIGHT SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026

COME ONE! COME ALL! IT'S AN EVENT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS!!

Families in our school community are encouraged to mark this date on the calendar and support this important fundraising and community-building event. The IHMS Fundraising Gala Dinner is a wonderful evening taking place at Holy Eucharist Parish Centre and will include a spectacular meal, entertainment, as well as fabulous raffle prizes. All proceeds from the Dinner will be directed towards the academic, spiritual and cultural programs at Immaculate Heart of Mary School.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact the School for more information regarding sponsorships.

Gather a group of friends and book a table! Tickets are \$150 each, which includes a charitable contribution receipt (issued after the event). Ticket Order Forms were sent home on and are due to be returned on Thursday, February 19, 2026.

Tickets are now available in the School Office.



FUNDRAISING DINNER VOLUNTEERS

Thank you for being part of our school community and for helping with this fundraising and community-building event! The Annual Fundraising Dinner is independently organized by Immaculate Heart of Mary School, and all proceeds from the dinner will be used to advance programs for the children at the school.

As a 'Volunteer Family', each family is responsible for providing at least one person to work one shift to assist with preparations for the dinner (if your family still requires volunteer hours for this year). Please note that these are adult volunteer shifts (21 years of age or older), and we request that you fill in the name of the person who is volunteering on the Signup.

Signup will open on Monday, February 9 at noon using the [SignUp Genius Link](#), and the due date for this signup is February 20, 2026, at noon. If a family purchases tickets to attend the Dinner, the event's volunteering obligations are waived, and two hours of volunteer time will be credited for each ticket purchased. We welcome anyone to gather a group of friends and book a table! Tickets for the Fundraising Gala Dinner are available at the IHMS office.

FUNDRAISING DINNER - RAFFLE DONATIONS

The IHMS Parents' Guild is already planning and gathering prizes for the Raffle Room at the Annual IHMS Fundraising Dinner taking place on Saturday, March 7. Thanks to your support, we are able to put together some impressive prizes for events like this!

We are looking for various donated new items for men, women, children, and teens. We gladly accept coupons, gift certificates, and cash (to purchase larger prizes). You can make a personal family donation, or if you work for a business that can donate, we can provide you with a solicitor's letter. These letters will be available from the school office. Please tag donated items with your family name and clearly label them as RAFFLE. Donations can be left at the school office anytime now.



Examples of prize donations are:

GARDENING GIFT BASKET: flower pot, seeds or plant, gardening gloves, gardening tools and supplies, etc.

FAMILY GAME NIGHT BASKET: popcorn, treats, a variety of board games, pizza gift cards, etc.

KITCHEN BASKET: dish clothes, oven mitts, mixing bowls, Tupperware items, baking sheet, muffin pans, etc.

CAMPING BASKET: cooler, camping chairs, lanterns, sleeping bags, water bottles, air mattress, etc.

SPA & BEAUTY BASKET: candles, epsom salts, bath bombs, wine glasses, spa gift certificate etc.

BBQ BASKET: bbq tools (tongs, spatula), plug-in cooler, seasoning and spices, heat safe gloves, grill baskets, etc.

KIDS BASKET: variety of popular toys, museum passes, art & craft items, etc.

UKRAINIAN PRIDE BASKET: earrings, necklaces, artwork, t-shirts etc. with a Ukrainian theme.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our Parents' Guild President Lesia Wozny, or another member of the Parents' Guild Executive: Khrystyna Sapon, Olha Mala or Julie Zappia. We look forward to your participation!



Join us... for a Frosted Night at the IHMS Fundraising Gala Dinner!

