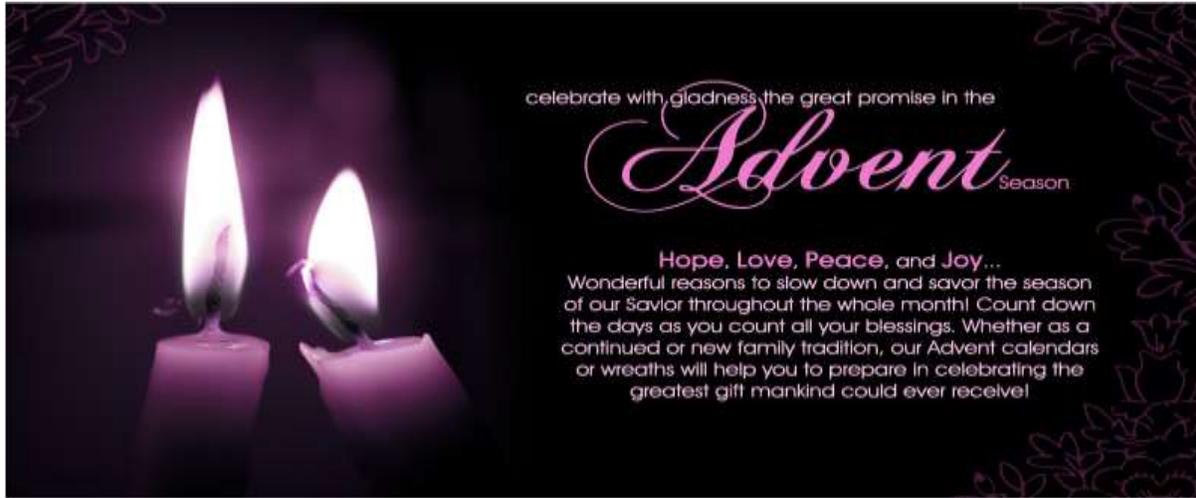


DECEMBER 2020



REFLECTION ON ADVENT

During the Season of Advent, we pray that this holy time will help us to come closer to God and recognize His existence and purpose in our lives. It is a time of reflective preparation to receive the gifts of faith, hope, love and peace. It is true that at this time of year most of us joyfully prepare to give and to receive gifts. Furthermore, we should prepare ourselves to receive God's most abiding gift, that of the birth of Jesus. During Advent and Christmas, we need to relearn how to accept each other with full hearts. We encourage kindness, love and faith and show God's never ending love towards one another.

ADVENT - PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

Weekly Advent Liturgies

1. Tuesday December 1st - HOPE
2. Monday, December 7th 2020 - LOVE
3. Monday, December 14th 2020 - PEACE
4. Friday, December 18th 2020 - JOY



JOY DAY



JOY DAY will be celebrated on December 2nd, 2020. Students can wear green, red and white and Christmas accessories to share their Christmas spirit at school on this fun filled and joyous day. Thank you to the Catholic School Council for sponsoring each class for the purchase of materials. A donation of \$2 would be greatly appreciated.

STUDENT COUNCIL

As the season of Christmas approaches, we reflect on the year we have had, and we look to the future with hope in our hearts. This year has brought many new challenges and has reminded us that community and taking care of others is of great importance.

Student Council under the leadership of Ms. Leo have made a list of fun and safe activities for our students to be involved in. The dates are as follows:

- Monday November 30th Food Drive Begins
- Wednesday December 2nd Joy Day (red, white and green day), craft day, Individual Picture with Santa(screen saver)
- Friday December 4th Door decorating contest ends
- Friday December 11th Christmas Trivia and Pajama Day
- Friday December 18th Christmas Sweater Day, Christmas Songs over PA system

PARENT COUNCIL:

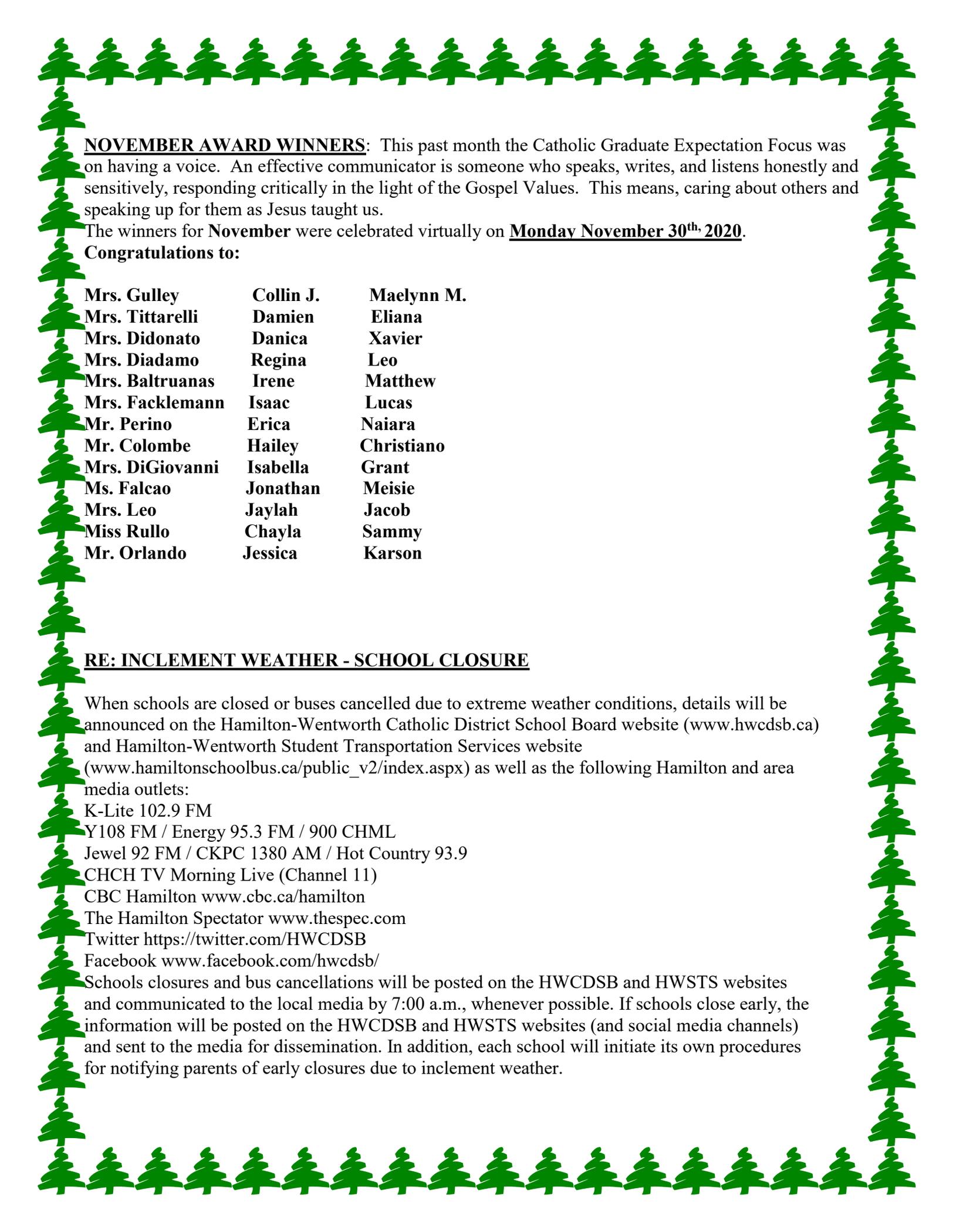
A big thank you to our Parent Council for organizing our Cookie Dough Fundraiser. It was a great success. Thank you to all of our St. Lawrence families for making it such a great success.

Congratulations to the Hallyburton family for raising the most money. They are the winners of the \$100 Visa Card.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

Friday, December 18, 2020 is our last day with dismissal at the regular time.
School will resume again on Monday, January 4, 2021.





NOVEMBER AWARD WINNERS: This past month the Catholic Graduate Expectation Focus was on having a voice. An effective communicator is someone who speaks, writes, and listens honestly and sensitively, responding critically in the light of the Gospel Values. This means, caring about others and speaking up for them as Jesus taught us.

The winners for **November** were celebrated virtually on **Monday November 30th, 2020.**

Congratulations to:

Mrs. Gulley	Collin J.	Maelynn M.
Mrs. Tittarelli	Damien	Eliana
Mrs. Didonato	Danica	Xavier
Mrs. Diadamo	Regina	Leo
Mrs. Baltruanas	Irene	Matthew
Mrs. Facklemann	Isaac	Lucas
Mr. Perino	Erica	Naiara
Mr. Colombe	Hailey	Christiano
Mrs. DiGiovanni	Isabella	Grant
Ms. Falcao	Jonathan	Meisie
Mrs. Leo	Jaylah	Jacob
Miss Rullo	Chayla	Sammy
Mr. Orlando	Jessica	Karson

RE: INCLEMENT WEATHER - SCHOOL CLOSURE

When schools are closed or buses cancelled due to extreme weather conditions, details will be announced on the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board website (www.hwcdsb.ca) and Hamilton-Wentworth Student Transportation Services website (www.hamiltonschoolbus.ca/public_v2/index.aspx) as well as the following Hamilton and area media outlets:

K-Lite 102.9 FM

Y108 FM / Energy 95.3 FM / 900 CHML

Jewel 92 FM / CKPC 1380 AM / Hot Country 93.9

CHCH TV Morning Live (Channel 11)

CBC Hamilton www.cbc.ca/hamilton

The Hamilton Spectator www.thespec.com

Twitter <https://twitter.com/HWCDSB>

Facebook www.facebook.com/hwcdsb/

Schools closures and bus cancellations will be posted on the HWCDSB and HWSTS websites and communicated to the local media by 7:00 a.m., whenever possible. If schools close early, the information will be posted on the HWCDSB and HWSTS websites (and social media channels) and sent to the media for dissemination. In addition, each school will initiate its own procedures for notifying parents of early closures due to inclement weather.



LIGHTS OF HOPE CAMPAIGN

Dear Parents:

Christmas is a time of hope and giving. We would like to brighten the lives of others who need our help during this time of year. Throughout the month of December, our Lights of Hope Campaign will take place again. St. Lawrence School will be taking donations and lighting up our halls.

If you wish to contribute to the Lights of Hope Campaign, please fill out the form and have your child return it with your donation. A light bulb with your family's name will be lit in the front hallway.

LIGHTS OF HOPE CAMPAIGN

Our donation for the Lights of Hope \$ _____

The _____ Family

