

November 24, 2017

## HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### 'Giving Tree'



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Advent is the time before Christmas when we prepare our hearts for the Birth of Jesus. It is a time to share by caring and offering hope to others. One of Holy Family's long standing traditions is to set up a *Giving Tree* in the front foyer of the school. We can offer hope to others by covering our *Giving Tree* with gifts again this year. We can watch the tree come alive throughout this Advent season with signs of hope, peace and love. It is ready to be decorated from November 27th.

This year we are specifically targeting gifts for the homeless in our community as well as collecting food for the Whitehorse Foodbank. New Items of outdoor wear, for both females and males, are in need. Men's mittens (not gloves) and men's socks are particularly in short supply, Ten-dollar gift cards from Superstore or Walmart, or \$5 Tim Horton's cards would be greatly appreciated. Any non-perishable Christmas foods, such as cranberry sauce, canned ham, turkey gravy mix, Christmas baking goods, candy canes, chocolate, etc. are being collected for those in need.

These gifts will be taken to Maryhouse on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> to be distributed and will be a sign of hope to many people in Whitehorse from Holy Family School.

**Love**  
*is a fruit in season  
at all times,  
and within reach of  
every hand.* - Mother Teresa

Thank you for your generosity.

Handwritten signature of Theodore Hupe in blue ink.

Theodore Hupe  
Principal

