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The weather for the annual Acton Santa Claus Parade was downright chilly as Limehouse youngsters (from left) Thomas Clark, 5, and Jacob Tellier, 5, discovered but the wait was worth it to catch a glimpse of jolly Old St. Nick. For more parade photos see today's Gift Guide section. Photos by Trish England

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Board to students: Take a hike!

Catholic board won't provide busing for Georgetown West CTK students

Georgetown West Christ the King (CTK) students will have to continue walking 55 minutes to school if trustees support a board staff recommendation, and Georgetown South students could be making the long hike next year also.

At a recent board meeting, a group of parents from Georgetown West asked the school board to reconsider its earlier decision not to provide bus service for their children to the new Guelph St. high school. They asked the board to add another stop

on Banting Cr. for its Christ the King-bound Acton bus to pick up the approximately 13 area kids.

At that meeting the board didn't take any action, but at the meeting held last night (Tuesday), a staff report, with the recommendation the request for busing be denied, was on the agenda. At press time trustees had yet to vote on the recommendation.

Also included in the agenda was a review of current transportation policy exceptions that included a recommendation parents be advised busing would be eliminated for Georgetown South students beginning next September. Staff is recommending the policy exceptions be circulated to school councils for a response, and be reintroduced to the board for action on January 4, 2003.

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