

# HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

## “THE ROYAL REPORT”



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### BISHOP REDING HIGH SCHOOL

November commenced with rainy skies and solemn hearts after a week filled with fun festivities. Students and staff have gotten back to work and returned to the homework and stresses that are customary during the school year. Last week ended with the halls of Bishop Reding filled with holiday spirit. On Wednesday, the Fine Arts Council, with the aid of Student government, hosted the first Haunted House seen at Bishop Reding. With admission only \$1 and great sets, props, and costumes, the Haunted house was a great success. On Friday, the annual costume and Pumpkin-Carving contests were held. Some of the most extravagant costumes could be seen at Bishop Reding, including the Flintstones, the trio from the Matrix, elephants, dolls, hobbits, characters from the Simpsons and X-Men, and even a Care Bear called Tenderheart. A rain cloud, characters from Monty Python, “Florida”, and a fireman were some of the costumes found on the list of winners. The creativity evident in the pumpkins was no less. Entries like the five detailed pumpkins with the faces from Pirates of the Caribbean, the “Smashing Pumpkins”, as well as zombies, vampires, and other ghastly images were a few examples of the artistic talents Bishop Reding has to offer. Mr. Jonker, Mr. Mazer, and Mr. MacDonald’s homeroom classes took the honours for the best pumpkins in the competition. The classes were rewarded for their imagination and originality with prizes on Monday morning.

Speaking of honour, the annual Academic Awards Banquet was held on Thursday night. Students who obtained an average of above 80% last year were allowed to wear their civies clothes. The day started off with an Honours breakfast given to students on the Honour Roll, courtesy of the cafeteria. During the evening, the cafeteria was turned into an auditorium for the awards ceremony. With members from the R.C.D. Board attending and performances by the Senior Concert Band, the night was truly magical. Congratulations to all students who were recognized for their academic efforts, and to all who received awards, including Matt Mastrangelo, who was named the Student of the Year.

Last Thursday marked the end of the Boys’ Varsity Volleyball regular season. Throughout the season, the boys maintained an excellent standing; unfortunately, they came up short against Burlington Central during the game. Sean Mathe consistently showed his determination, through his fantastic offensive and defensive skills. The boys ended their regular season with pride and admiration from the school; however, they have been granted a second chance, where a game against St. Thomas Aquinas will decide whether or not the boys can continue on.

The Boys’ Varsity Football team competed last Friday and gained a 25-16 win, thereby allowing them to advance to the semi-final round. Marcas Gray, Jon Ram, and Dave Wynne each scored points and once again astounded spectators and fans. Their next game will be this afternoon. Congratulations and good luck to both teams. Tryouts for both Varsity Boys’ Volleyball and Junior Girls’ volleyball will be held this week after school to all students interested in playing.

The acts for the Talent show have been finalized and posted, with four new promising hosts. The show is set to be held next Thursday on November 13, with singing, dancing and an entertaining video to be viewed. Tickets will be available next week. Come out and support the performers.

**Quotation of the Week:** “Mine honour is my life; both grow in one; take honour from me and my life is done.” *William Shakespeare*

## “DATELINE DRURY”



Alicia Visconti



John Peterson

### E.C. DRURY HIGH SCHOOL

“Salut tout le monde! Cette semaine, dans l’esprit du bilinguisme, nous avons décidé d’écrire notre rapport en français, et en anglais.”

“Well done John! I can understand you but why are you speaking French?”

“Alors Alicia, vous savez que les ‘mid-terms’ sont presque ici.”

“So you’re using your French to practice for mid-terms?”

“Oui, ils sont très important ste année.”

“Yes, for many of our senior students mid-terms are very important. The guidance department has been busy preparing senior students in the application process to University and College. A process which must be completed before Christmas Break. Are you applying to Quebec schools, John?”

“Oui, ca c’est pourquoi je pratique mon français.”

“Wow! You’re a nerd! That’s ok, John, we still love you.”

“Ok, avez vous entendu les nouvelles au sujet de l’équipe de basket-ball?”

“Yeah! I did hear about the basketball team, or hopefully that’s what you’re talking about. In any case, on November third, they walloped cross town rivals Milton District Mustangs 50 - 30, finishing with a league record of 6 and 4, and an overall record of 16 and 6.”

“Wow! C’est formidable!”

“Yeah, no kidding! I bet the successes won’t stop here. The girls ice hockey team held its first practice on November 5th at Thompson arena. The team is made up of only a few returning players, many new players to the sport, and even 2 figure skaters! Don’t underestimate what these girls can do, if you’ve seen the movie “Mighty Ducks” you’ll know exactly what we’re talking about!”

“Bonne chance, filles! Je ne peux pas attendre le commencement des matchs.”

“It seems that even the music department wants to get in on the sports action. On November 26th, the music department will hold the second ever marathon. Only, this marathon has nothing to do with running, and everything to do with music.”

“Tu as raison, Alicia! Les etudiantes de musique va jouer leurs instruments pendant toute la journée.”

“So you guys are going to be playing all day?”

“Oui, Alicia”

“Is there any way that others can get involved, because I think that sounds fun!”

“Oui, bien sur. Les membres du communauté peuvent donner de l’argent aux membres du département de musique pour encourager les musiciens à jouer.”

“Ok! So, if I wanted to, as a member of the community I could sponsor music students to encourage them to continue to play all day?”

“C’est ca, Alicia!”

“Well that’s it for this week, we hope you found this weeks offerings culturally enriching, and we’ll write you again next week!”

“Et maintenant, le trivial!”

**Last Week’s Question:** What play was performed in 1987?

**Answer:** Anything Goes!

**This Week’s Question:** What are the first four lines of E.C. Drury’s school song?



Lacey DaSilva



Seth Ferguson

## MILTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL “MUSTANG MESSENGER”

The stars were shining and the decorative lights that were conspicuous in the sky cast a mild hue on those milling below. Such was the very impressive sight at this year’s Starry, Starry Night MDHS silent auction fundraiser which was held last Saturday at the Leisure Centre. It was a night enjoyed by all, full of bidding, outlandish singing and wonderful music. Thank you to all who helped make it a terrific event.

If one looks up the word ‘terrific’ in a thesaurus, a picture of our Sr Football team won’t be found on the page, but close enough. ‘Very good’, ‘marvellous’ and ‘brilliant’ are a few words that you’ll find, and it’s no coincidence that those very same words are often used to describe our football team. Having made it to the HSSAA semi-finals, the buds have shown what they can do, and are expected to exceed those boundaries this afternoon when they face Burlington Central on Milton turf at 2:00. This is the last step before the final game at Ivor Wynne stadium - where victory was denied last year. Paint your face blue, write ‘Mustangs’ on your stomach or just come out and support your team.

On the home front, our cafeteria has had a major makeover, complete with new tables and chairs. This new look is a big improvement over the bent, twisted wrecks of the old furniture. The new rule banishing food from hallways has been met with mixed emotions. Regardless, the refurbished café gives students an alternative hideout to the super over-excessively heated hallway upstairs. For this, students are thankful.

Speaking of food, the French Department went on a little excursion Tuesday, heading to l’Auberge du Pomier in Toronto. The delicious French cuisine, blended with the warm atmosphere left the student’s palates watering for more. Though none of the students are food critics, it is safe to say that the best food they had ever tasted was savoured that day. Bon appetite!

In anticipation of the Sr Football team’s victory this afternoon, may we say “Go ‘Stangs Go!” Be sure to get out and make sure it happens.

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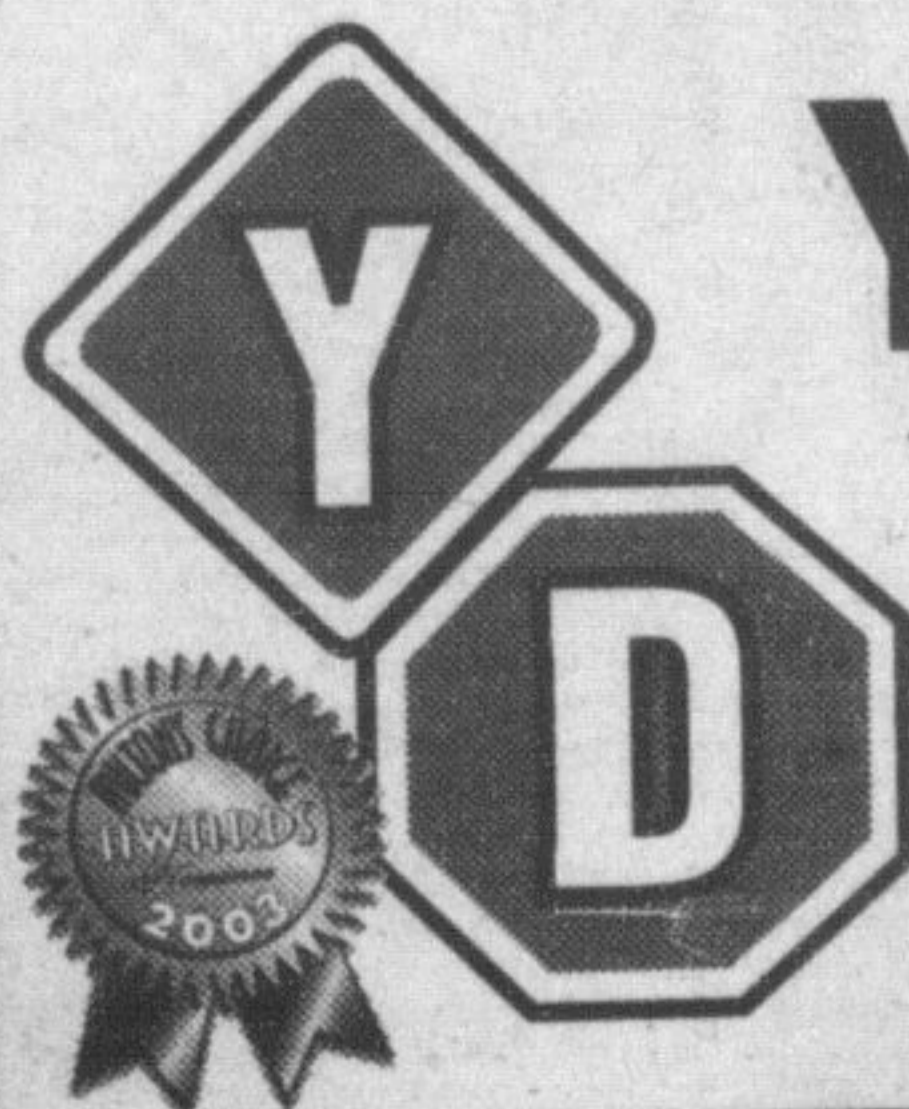
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