



MEDIA ADVISORY

High school hosting unique peace and remembrance ceremony

The Bishop James Mahoney (BJM) High School community is hosting an inter-denominational peace and remembrance ceremony this week to commemorate Remembrance Day.

Representatives from the Islamic, Jewish and Christian faiths will all lay wreaths during the ceremony. Participants will include Dr. David Russell, retired chemistry professor from the University of Saskatchewan, representing the Islamic community; Cantor Neil Schwartz, the spiritual director of Agudas Congregation Israel; and Reverend Colin Clay, the retired ecumenical chaplain for the University of Saskatchewan.

“Our ceremony includes other faiths and denominations because it’s important that we learn to live in unity amidst diversity,” said Tom Saretsky, teacher chaplain at BJM.

The service will allow students to reflect upon the sacrifices made by soldiers in past and present conflicts and will also highlight the desire for peaceful co-operation among faiths and cultures.

The service will open with an honour guard comprised of cadets at the school and will also include playing of The Last Post and a moment of silence. A Liturgy of Peace, which will include songs and scripture readings, will also occur.

Media are invited to attend this unique event.

10:40 a.m.

**Peace and Remembrance Ceremony
Wednesday, November 10, 2010
Bishop James Mahoney High School
231 Primrose Drive**

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