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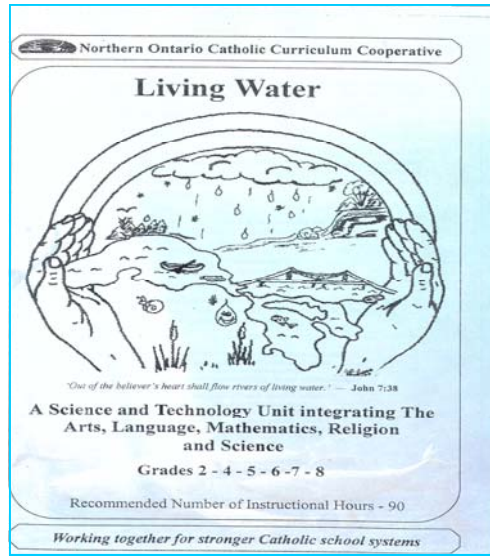
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Living Water is primarily a Science unit. It deals with change, cycles, cause/effect relationships adaptations, inter-relationships, commonalities and variations within local, natural habitats. It has been expanded by integrating some content and activities from Language, Drama, Mathematics, Music, Religion, and Visual arts into this portion of the curriculum. This unit is expectation-based. It will contribute directly to the accomplishment of the Ontario Ministry of Education and Training specific learning expectations, within the above subject areas, while also helping students to achieve some of our Catholic graduate expectations.

Living Water aims at developing, in our pupils, an awareness of the natural environment in which they live. What this unit does is to help children to understand and appreciate water as one of our most valuable gifts from God.

This unit contains a multitude of lesson plans, which are filled with experiments and learning activities. They are spread

across five grade levels, but tied together by the water theme. Besides teaching strategies and learning activities, all lesson proposals contain assessment strategies, based on the learning expectations, and educational modifications required to meet the needs of exceptional students.

This unit has been translated for early French Immersion and can be ordered under the title, *Eau Vive*.

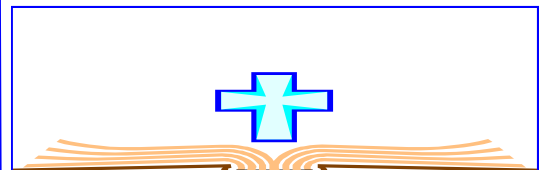
Check your resource center to ensure you have a copy of this unit as you prepare for the arrival of Spring.

PRINCIPALS' IN-SERVICE 2005



Arrangements for the Principal's in-service are well under way. This year the host board will be the Nipissing-Parry Sound CDSB.

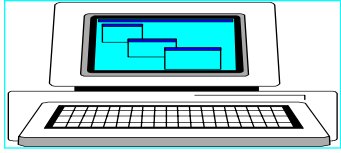
The Clarion Resort on Pinewood Dr. has been booked and contacts have been made for guest speakers. Watch for further updates and we will keep you apprised of dates. Our planning committee is looking at mid-October, but will confirm as soon as they know. They have assured us that there will be something on the agenda for everyone.



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Information Technology Integration Activities for Language/ Arts/ Mathematics

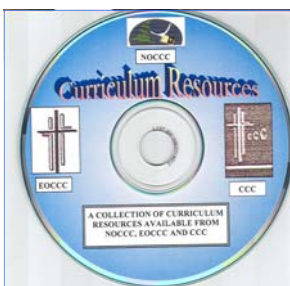


The NOCCC has received a deluge of inquiries regarding the *Information Technology Integration* unit that can be found on our website in the member's section. This unit is available to members only and an access code is required. If you are a member of one of our Partner boards, please talk to your Director of Education to receive the access code for your board.

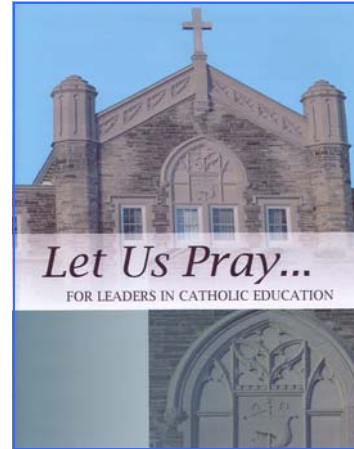
These two units are two state-of-the-art units. The strands identified in the units clearly express when a computer application is appropriate for a given grade level and includes the integration of Catholic Graduate Expectations.

Also included in the activities are references to the Information Technology Scope and Sequence written by the Eastern Ontario Catholic Curriculum Cooperative in 1999.

Learning and the quality of life are enhanced when students use and integrate the Catholic faith tradition to critically analyze technology and information systems.



NOCCC has drawn together a collection of curriculum resources available from NOCCC, EOCCC and the CCC. This CD contains over 300 curriculum units. Check your mailroom for this CD or call us to receive a copy.



The new, revised prayer book has just returned from the printer and is now back in-stock.

The prayer book was published by the NOCCC, in partnership with the Ontario Catholic Supervisory Officers' Association (OCSOA) in 1999 and was revised and updated in 2005. It is available on CD to our Partner boards and can be purchased in hard copy format as well. Check your schools and ensure that a copy of this prayer book is in each one of them.



Lord, it is Spring, and You have performed a glorious miracle of re-birth on the earth. We thank you for the bountiful beauty that Spring brings to us all

All living creatures speak Your Name ever so gently, giving thanks to You, Lord. You are the only One Being to hear these praises.

During this rejuvenation, we are truly blessed, and we feel Your presence all around. Lord, send your rays of hope down upon us, so that we may open our eyes and see the new beginning of Spring life.

Fill our hearts and minds with joy and peace. AMEN

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