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THE WINDSOR STAR

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Each year, the charitable foundation's awards gala celebrates "the exceptional diversity, equity and inclusion work of community members, educators and youth across Canada."



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Catholic Central won school of the year and Walls was named educator of the year.

A 20-year veteran, Walls was cited as someone who "courageously demonstrates a passion and commitment to inspire and educate youth to be leaders for social change."

Walls has been a facilitator of the school's African-Canadian Cultural Experience, giving opportunities for racialized youth to see themselves as academics, employees, providers and goal-oriented members of our community.

Catholic Central was recognized for its Dare to Dream COMMUNITY Project, an initiative to help a group of girls, who recently arrived in Canada from Syria, build self-esteem through community involvement. The school was also praised for its Global Leadership Opportunities Windsor (GLOW) Program, which improved school culture through better communication and dialogue between international and domestic students. Also, 16 staff members participated in Harmony Movement Equity Training, which helps break down barriers by identifying biases.

"Catholic Central is one of the most diverse schools in the country and we pride ourselves on our inclusive approach to education," principal Danielle Desjardins-Koloff said in a news release. "Our students represent a global population, all having arrived with unique stories and under unique

circumstances, so we do everything we can to identify their needs and goals, help them find their voices, and to become advocates for themselves."

Desjardins-Koloff, Walls and eight students will travel to Toronto in November to receive the award.



Students and staff gathered for an assembly to celebrate le jour Franco-Ontarien.



Grade 5/6-D performed a choreographed dance at the assembly celebrating le jour Franco-Ontarien.

St. Louis School celebrates le jour Franco-Ontarien

LEAMINGTON - On September 25, St. Louis School with French Immersion in Leamington celebrated le jour Franco-Ontarien.

There was a school-wide assembly highlighting where French is spoken around the world, the singing of "Mon Beau Drapeau", and a choreographed dance to "On écrit sur les Murs."

After the assembly, the students had a parade and finished the day's festivities with chalk art designs of French words and symbols. Due to wet weather, all activities were held indoors.

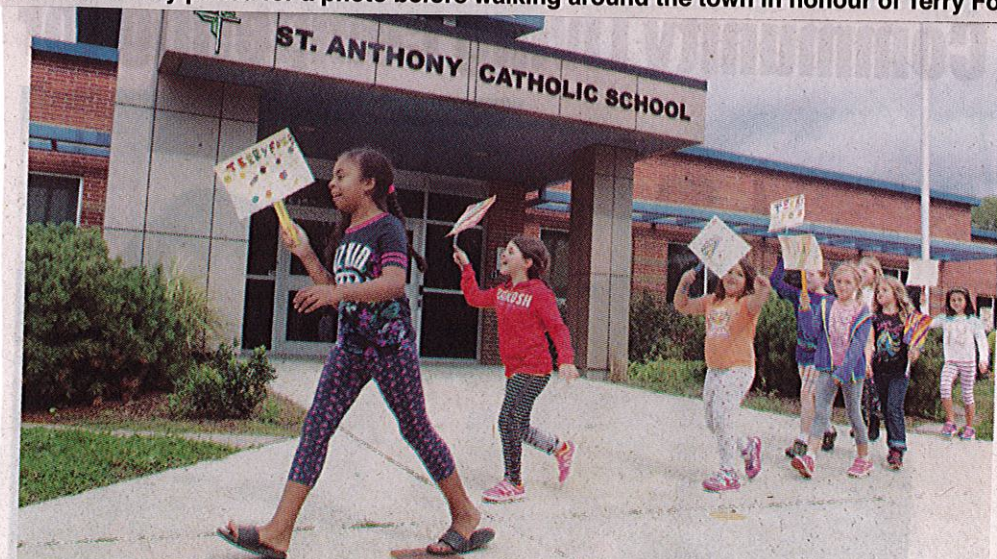


The Grade 1/2-1 class at St. Louis School held a parade following the assembly to celebrate le jour Franco-Ontarien.

Harrow Schools host Terry Fox Run



The whole school of St. Anthony Catholic Elementary posed for a photo before walking around the town in honour of Terry Fox.



Some classes made signs in recognition, pictured holding them here outside the front of their school.

St. Anthony School Can Drive



The St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School hosted their Thanksgiving can drive over the past few weeks. They managed to bring in a total of 1,139 different non-perishables. They are donating them to St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank, which will provide the goods to local families.



Grade 5 and 6 students at St. Louis Catholic Elementary School reveal their collection of non-perishable food items to be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul food bank through Farm Credit Canada's Drive Away Hunger program Friday, Oct. 5. This year, the school collected 2,189 pounds of food — 794 pounds more than through last year's FCC program. (Southpoint Sun Photo)

Drive Away Hunger a success at St. Louis

By Bryan Jessop

Thanksgiving offered Leamington much to be thankful for this year, including the generosity of St. Louis Catholic Elementary School.

The Junior Kindergarten to Grade 6 students at St. Louis dedicated the week prior to the holiday weekend collecting non-parishable food items for the community's less fortunate. The

initiative was again organized through Farm Credit Canada's Drive Away Hunger program, which originated in Listowel in October of 2004.

Once the collection of bags and boxes had been loaded into pick up trucks by St. Louis Grade 5 and 6 students, FCC representatives and volunteers with the drive's recipient — the St. Vincent de Paul food bank at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Leamington — a sum of 2,189 pounds had

been weighed. The total surpassed last year's St. Louis donation of 1,395 pounds by 794 pounds or 64 per cent.

"It really helps to fill up our cupboards," said St. Vincent de Paul food bank secretary Stephanie Heaton. "This kind of generosity makes a huge impact, especially with Thanksgiving and Christmas coming. It's great to see the kids involved. It's a big, valuable life lesson for them. People don't always see what it's like for the less fortunate."

The collection of food items was picked up and delivered by FCC representatives and St. Vincent de Paul volunteers to the food bank Friday, Oct. 5, the same day St. Louis held a Thanksgiving mass for staff and students. The project was the first of the 2018-'19 school year as a WE School initiative toward becoming official "Change Makers."

Farm Credit Canada Drive Away Hunger bags were given to students along with a letter to take home Friday, Sept. 28. Staff and students discussed the campaign during this year's Terry Fox Run assembly, where it was noted that meals containing protein were exceptionally important to the area's less fortunate families. Drive Away Hunger lists pastas, rice, sauces, canned meats, fish, packaged nuts and peanut butter, beans, stews, soups, fresh, canned and powdered milk, canned fruits and vegetables, flour, whole grain cereals and baby food and formula as some of the program's most important items.

"We're very fortunate to have the opportunity to be charitable to our community," explained St. Louis teacher Dina Sardinha. "It's a way to thank God for our many blessings. Many people in the community are in need and Jesus calls on us to share."

"We're really pleased with the generosity of our community," added new St. Louis principal Joal McMahon, who arrived at the local school after working at St. Peter Catholic Elementary School in Tecumseh. "We're happy to help out those in need of extra support. This school's community really takes care of its people — it's really generous."

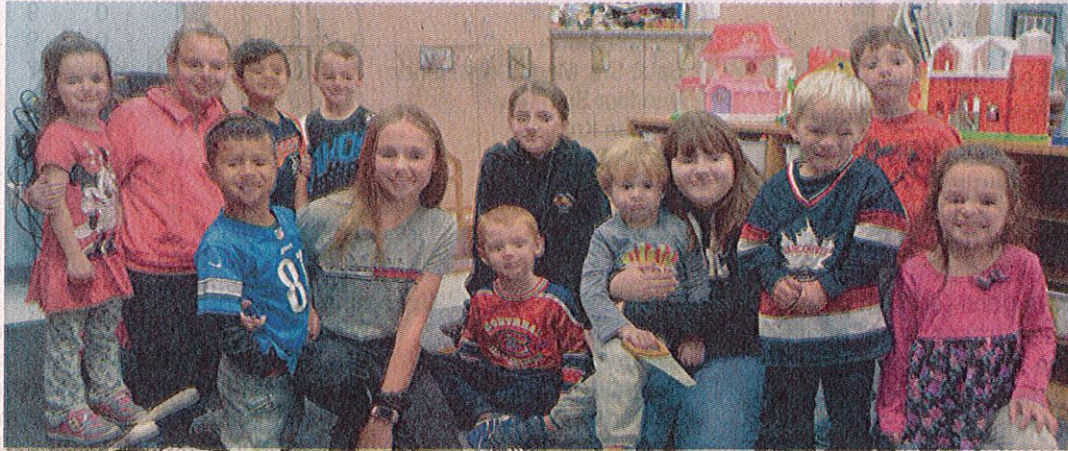


Peter Hotz of Farm Credit Canada loads a truck with donations with the help of Grade 5 and 6 St. Louis Catholic Elementary School students Friday, Oct. 5.

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ST. PIUS X



St. Pius X Catholic School is thankful for the many mentors and leaders who inspire younger students.
Photo by Rosemary Barbera

Thankful for our leaders!

The halls of St. Pius X Catholic School were buzzing with excitement heading into the long weekend!

There was great anticipation in the air knowing that there was no school on Thanksgiving Monday and visions of turkey, apple pie, stuffing, potatoes and more fill everyone's mind.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, we are grateful for the many mentors, leaders and students cheering from the sidelines in the hopes for one another's success.

Let us thank the leadership demonstrated by the Grade 8s, who are a constant, positive presence in the lives of younger kids.

Next, let us thank the school leaders like Father Paul Kim, whose Thanksgiving Mass homily truly inspired our youth this week.

Lastly, thank you to the classroom helpers who engage with our kindergarten kids at recess and to the Grade 7s, who can open up a child's imagination by reading books aloud to them and inspiring them to continue reading a lifetime.



**A
valuable
message**

Corpus Christi Middle School and Grade 10 Hockey Skills students listen to Rocco Tullio during his recent visit.
Photo courtesy of Dean Favero

Cardinals students welcome local developer and Oshawa Generals owner/president Rocco Tullio

Corpus Christi Middle School and Grade 10 Hockey Skills classes were treated to guest speaker Rocco Tullio, owner and president of the 2015 Memorial Cup champion Oshawa Generals.

Tullio, also president of Rock Developments, was able to share a different perspective regarding the sport of hockey and what he and his organization look for in a player—skill, work ethic, hockey intelligence and most importantly, character.

“Do the little things when no one is looking . . . look up from your cell phone and hold the door open for someone,” Tullio shared with the students.

His message was valuable not only for hockey players, but for all of us.

Thanks Rocco!

Oct 12 / 18.

SHORELINE

ST. PETER Math Zones alive!

St. Peter Catholic School is focusing on creating a fun math learning culture for all classrooms as part of their overall school improvement plan.

Making time to get engaged with the students and encouraging descriptive feedback using manipulatives and technology are a big hit. It is critical that students are exposed to an authentic learning experience designed to be meaningful to the life of the student and connected to real-life questions and issues.

Authentic learning experiences encourage collaborative effort, dialogue with staff and using a variety of emerging technologies.

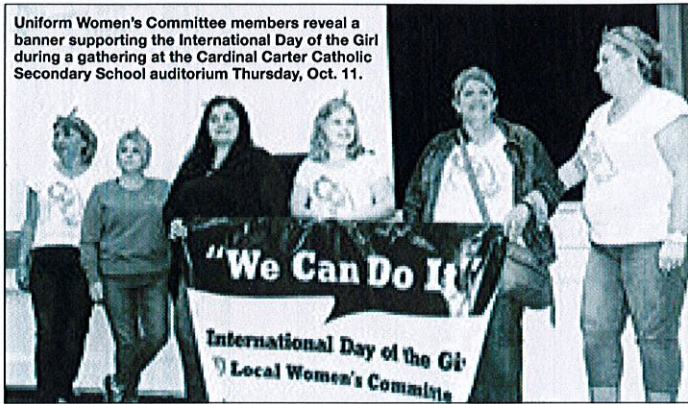
St. Peter staff members are implementing many of these innovative strategies as part of their overall school improvement plan for this coming school year.



Photo by Rosemary Barbera

Interactive small group instructions are taking place with support from classroom teacher Mr. Chris Garneau and principal Mr. Joe Bachetti.

Uniform Women's Committee members reveal a banner supporting the International Day of the Girl during a gathering at the Cardinal Carter Catholic Secondary School auditorium Thursday, Oct. 11.



Cardinal Carter honours Day of the Girl

By Bryan Jessop

LEAMINGTON – “Girl Power” took on a whole new meaning at a local high school last week.

Representatives of Unifor Local 195, 200, 240, 444 and 2458 Women's Committee paid a visit to Cardinal Carter Catholic Secondary School Thursday, Oct. 11 — International Day of the Girl. Terry Weymouth spoke to an auditorium full of students and staff on behalf of the Unifor groups, which provided each member of the audience with a free bandana.

The full house of students heard a number of surprising and alarming statistics on the lack of equality and opportunity young women around the world are subject to, as Weymouth noted that 31 million primary-age girls around the globe are not granted access to an education. She also explained that girls are three times more likely than boys to be malnourished and that in Canada, for every 87 cents a woman makes in the workforce, men make an even \$1.00.

“Girls are subject to higher rates of violence, poverty and discrimination than boys,” Weymouth said. “It doesn't matter where you are in the world — even Canada.”

An electrician for the past 25 years, Weymouth stressed the importance of supporting girls' rights for equality through awareness, speaking up when discrimination is seen, kindness and for boys, to be allies for their female cohorts. She also brought to light the absence of women in skilled trades, a division of the workforce that includes 402 specific job types in Canada and 156 in Ontario. Of the number of people employed in skilled trades, she explained, only four per cent are women.

“We need equal opportunity and equal education,” Weymouth said. “It's not enough for skilled trades to only be something passed down from father to son. People don't understand the issue in Canada. Awareness is getting better — the problem is that we can't just talk about it. We've got to make changes in the workplace.”

The International Day of the Girl was first recognized in October of 2012. Last year, the local Unifor Women's Committee visited schools in the Windsor area and for 2018, decided to expand into Essex County's more rural communities. Immediately after their morning visit to Cardinal Carter, Weymouth and her fellow Women's Committee members made an appearance for Grade 2 to 8 students at St. John the Baptist Elementary School in Belle River. Weymouth explained that she was encouraged to see every boy in the audience at Cardinal Carter stand when asked to show support as ‘allies’ for their female fellow classmates.

Weymouth is currently on the Ontario College of Trades' appointments council and taught an electrical course at St. Clair College in Windsor. She explained to Cardinal Carter students that with a steady number of Baby Boomers reaching retirement, the demand for positions including electricians, plumbers, bricklayers, mechanics and construction positions is quickly rising.

“Too many students aren't taking the education opportunities when they're available,” Weymouth said. “They're opting out of math after Grade 10 when they should stick with those courses and the sciences.”

St. Anthony Grade 8's return from Muskoka

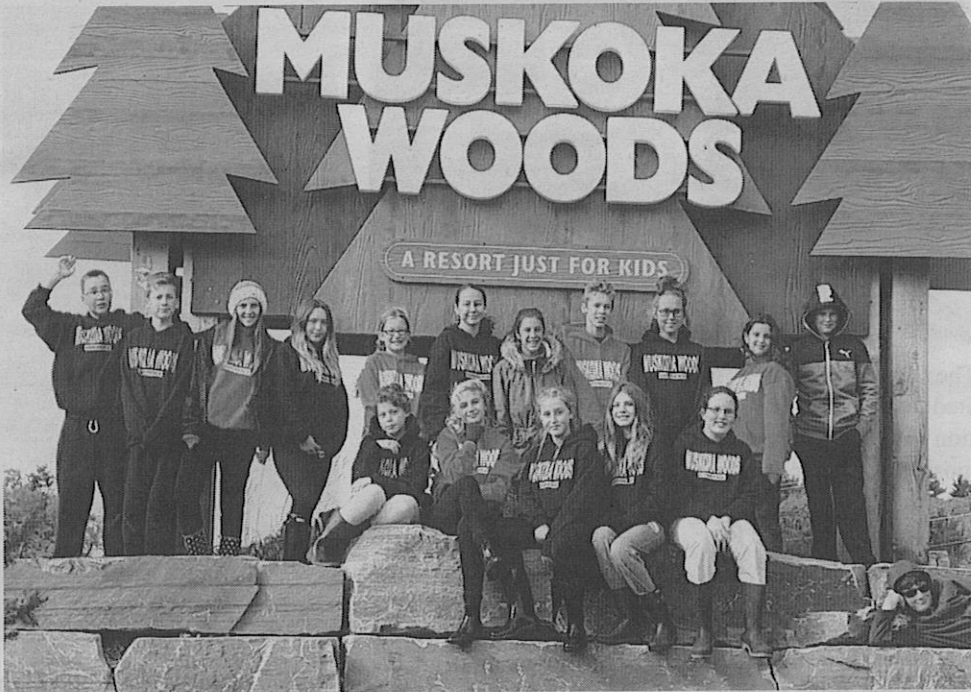
by Shelby Wye

The Grade 8 students of St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School had the chance to challenge themselves to be better leaders at their annual Muskoka trip, which wrapped up on Monday, October 15.

The Grade 8 students left for Muskoka Woods Sports Resort on Friday, October 12, along with several other schools in the area. At the camp, the students took part in skill-building challenges like high and low ropes course as well as other activities, like ziplining, tug of war, a dance performance, karaoke, mountain biking, pyramid building and a polar dip into Lake Rousseau.

A total of 17 students attended as well as three teacher chaperones.

Mrs. Welsh said her students always leave the camp with a sense of confidence. She said the week helps provide her students with valuable team building and leadership skills that they carry with them throughout the school year and beyond.



The Grade 8 class of St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School went to Muskoka Woods Sports Resort over October 12 to the 15 as a part of WECDSEB's annual trip.



The students of St. Anthony test their shot at the archery range.

St. Anthony Students Visit Thiessen's Apple Orchard



The St. Anthony Catholic Elementary School JK/SK class went and visited Thiessen's Apple Orchard for a morning of fun. This classic tradition has been a favourite of parents, students and teachers alike. Students got to pick pumpkins and apples, take a wagon ride and play on the iconic Thiessen's slide. Pictured here, from right to left, is Alyna Sagastume and her mother, Christian Avila, Felix Giroux, Jackson David and Liam Penner with his mother.

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Holy Name students hold mock municipal election



by Sylene Argent

The best way to learn is by doing. So, in recognition of the 2018 Essex Municipal Election, the grade seven students at Holy Name Catholic Elementary School were tasked to research the local candidates running for Mayor and Deputy Mayor, and present a speech outlining their platforms to the rest of the school. They also made signs and put them up around the school.

Three students represented each mayoral and deputy mayoral candidate running in the 2018 Essex Municipal Election. Those three students were tasked to each prepare a speech, based on their candidate's platform, for either the primary, junior, or senior grades.

On Thursday, the representing students presented their speeches, and their fellow schoolmates took to the poles to voice whom they thought would be the best representative.

In addition, the grade seven students learned about the roles and responsibilities of the Returning Officer and Scrutineers.

Grade seven teacher, Mrs. Barb Gaspard, said her grade seven class typically tackles elections as part of its studies of learning about being global citizens. Last schoolyear, her former students did a mock election for the Provincial Election.

"We want them to be critical thinkers," she said of her students. "We want them to be future leaders of the town and country; to take responsibility of leadership."

As part of the municipal election studies, the students watched debates and researched each candidate.

The grade seven students said they learned what municipal governments handle.

Students Max D'Alfonso and Caleb Young, who presented speeches on behalf of two of the mayor/deputy mayor candidates for the senior classes, said they learned most candidates running for mayor wanted to fix roads. They both thought being an elected representative would be a great role to take on.

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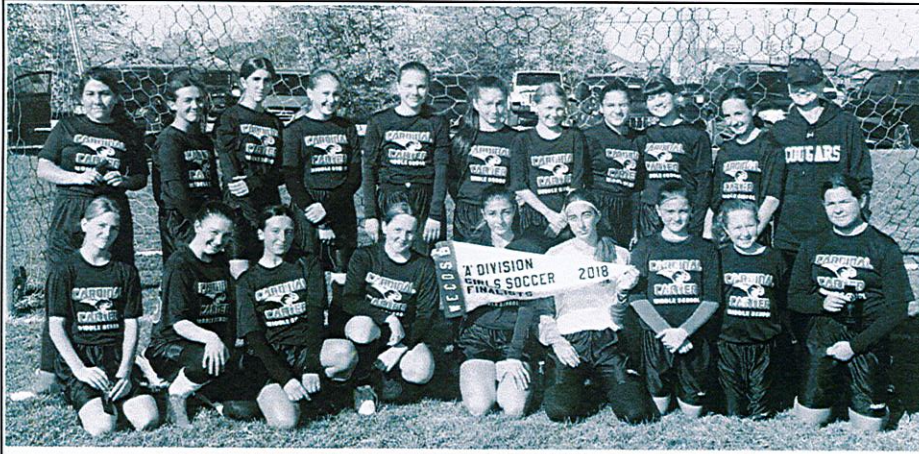
Wildcats remember Terry Fox with walkathon;

St. Williams



St. William Catholic School remembered Terry Fox with a walkathon recently. Students brought in 'Twoonies for Terry' to donate to cancer research, which has touched so many of our Wildcat families. We began in the gym with a Liturgy of the Word and also honoured Terry Fox while educating our students about his life, journey, cause and good character via informative videos. We all learned something new or were reminded of what we did know in this way and felt a little closer to this wonderful Canadian hero.

Photo by Alexa G.



Cardinal Carter Middle School Girls Soccer Team WECDSB Finalists

The Cardinal Carter Catholic Middle School girls soccer team had an amazing soccer season, making it all the way to the Board finals. Team members are, front row, left to right: Sienna Gale, Ariana Quenneville, Mattea Mastronardi, Lola Cazabon, Kyla Anscombe, Gabriella Quenneville, Alessia West, Emma Weil, Mila Pereira. Back row: Yorley Ortega, Jillian Mastronardi, Brooke DaCosta, Karys Gori, Sian Kniaziew, Ashtin Garcia, Charly Liebrock, Soraya Antunes, Madison Caetano, Gabriella Mastronardi, coach Trish Clarke. *(Submitted photo)*

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Cardinal Carter Middle School Boys Soccer Team Captures Board Championship

The Cardinal Carter Catholic Middle School boy's soccer team concluded an undefeated season with a championship victory over Holy Cross by a score of 3-2. Team members are, front row, left to right: Sam Jones, Carson Murracas, Remy Pieper, Derik Renaud, Nicholas Rahie, Carter Murracas, Luca Rino. Back row: Coach John Murracas, Charlie Cristine, Seth Zylstra, AJ Dickinson, Ben Omar, Joshua Rousseau, Lucas Penner, Tiago Verissimo, Damien Goncalves, Gavin Siddall-Garcia, Dylan Stockton, Cam Avelar, Elijah Pezotti, Ben Klassen. Absent from photo: Ethan Rodrigues. *(Submitted photo)*

Mixed results in Cougars football

By Bryan Jessop

With one game to go in the regular season, one Cardinal Carter team hopes to regain momentum while the other hopes to keep it going.

The junior Cougars continue to seek their first home field win as they dropped a 27-7 decision against the visiting Belle River Nobles on Tuesday, Oct. 23. The loss dropped their record to three wins and two losses following road victories against St. Joseph's and Massey earlier this month.

Meanwhile, the senior Cougars continued to make the most of their newfound winning touch, cruising to a 47-6 victory against the hosting Lajeunesse Royals on Thursday, Oct. 25. The win brought the elder Cardinal Carter team's record to 2-3-0, keeping their hopes alive in the race for a playoff position.



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— Chris Church



A six-yard touchdown run for the Nobles was the only scoring play of the first quarter for the WECSSAA October 23 junior match at Cardinal Carter. The host team's offense showed signs of life in the second quarter when Nick Baini recovered a

third-down punt to put the Cougars within scoring range. On the next Cardinal Carter third down, Carlos Dagloria made a 32-yard touchdown run and then kicked the PAT to knot up the score at 7-7.

On the ensuing kick off, Andrew Sleiman managed to touch his own team's onside kick to give the Cougars possession on their own 47-yard line, but no further scoring was achieved through the rest of the first half. Belle River's offense took over for the second half, adding three



Ryan Najim of the Cougars dives in an attempt to tackle a Belle River running back during the first half of a WECSSAA junior football match at Cardinal Carter Tuesday, Oct. 23. The Nobles won 27-7, bringing the Cougars' record to 3-2-0. The Cardinal Carter regular season will end on home field Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 4 p.m. against L'Essor. (Southpoint Sun Photo)

majors minus a PAT.

"They broke up a long play and had some long drives that really killed the clock," explained junior Cougars coach Chris Church. "They're big and strong up front and we just didn't have a lot of opportunities."

During a 29-12 win a week earlier at Massey, the Cougars lost key defensive lineman Damien Glabb to injury, a factor contributing to the loss against the Nobles seven days later.

With the Thursday win against the Royals, the senior Cougars jumped into fifth place in their eight-team division.

The October 25 contest proved a banner day for Lekan Mustafa, who rushed three touchdowns, returned a kick to the end zone for another and snagged an interception that he

returned the remaining distance for a total of five majors. Mustafa opened the scoring with a 65-yard sprint on Cardinal Carter's first possession, topped by the PAT by Cameron Taouil. Ricky Lima accounted for another touchdown on an 80-yard reverse play to complete the first quarter.

The Cougars' other touchdown was earned after quarterback Zach Panner connected with Eric Tavares, who carried the ball into the end zone while dragging three Lajeunesse defenders along with him.

"It was a great effort by our entire team for the first time this season. The blockers blocked and tacklers tackled. When you do those two things, everyone else's job is easy and you can win football games," noted Church.

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This week's Athlete of the Week is 13-year-old Joey Caradonna, son of Tory Caradonna. When the St. John de Brebeuf school soccer team needed a goalkeeper, Joey stepped up to fill the role. Although he's used to playing right midfield, Joey helped the Eagles to the KDHS Future Stars tournament title. He also enjoys playing hockey.