

November 2007

Principal's Message

During the month of November we can reflect on how lucky we are. A big thank you to all students and families who have made shoeboxes for those who receive nothing for Christmas. As Remembrance Day approaches it is important to not only remember those who have fought for our country, but also the men and women who are currently serving our country today. As we recently held our Holy Childhood Association enrolment ceremony the students, especially the new ones and the kindergartens, really have an understanding of what we can do to help others and be a 'hero'. At our Halloween family dance it was so great to see so many members of our school community coming together and having a good time. It is important to celebrate as a community. Special thanks to everyone that helped organize such a wonderful event.



Remember, at St. Mary's School, We put our Faith in Learning!

Don't forget to check out our website: www.stmaryspg.org

Important Dates to Remember

November 2nd—Hot Dog Day
November 5th—Picture Re-Takes
November 6th—Parent Support Group Meeting @ 7pm
November 9th—School Mass @ 9am (Lead by the grade 6 class)
November 9th—Hot Dog Day
November 12th—No School (in lieu of Remembrance Day)
November 16th—Pizza
November 17th—Silent Auction, Dinner and Dance
November 19th-23rd—Scholastic Book Fair in the Library
November 20th—Report Cards Out
November 21st—Report Card Interviews: 3-6:30pm
November 23rd—Pro D Day (Report Card Interviews: 8-11am)
November 23rd & 24th—Knights of Columbus VB Tournament
November 27th—School Council Mtg @ 7pm
November 30th—Hot Dog Day
November 30th— Assembly in Gym @ 1:30 pm



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Ways to help your children be happy independent and responsible:

- ◆ Love them
- ◆ Build their Self-Esteem
- ◆ Listen to them
- ◆ Expect respect
- ◆ Develop a love of learning
- ◆ Challenge them
- ◆ Make God a part of their lives
- ◆ Help them to be community minded—to be of service to others
- ◆ Let them go

Student Notices

Kids for Kindness—The theme for November is Justice. Justice is being fair in everything you do. It is seeing with your own eyes and not judging something or someone by what other people tell you. Being just is standing up for your rights and the rights of other people. It is taking responsibility if you make a mistake and making amends.



Operation Christmas Child – Many thanks to those who can help children, who have so little. Please bring in your shoeboxes to the office by Friday, November 2nd. This year we are striving for 100 shoeboxes.

Sports Beat – Both the boys and girls volleyball teams are continuing their practices and games leading up to the Knights of Columbus tournament on November 23rd and 24th at St.

Parent Announcements

Mary's Gymnasium. Thanks to Ms. Desharnais for coaching the girl's team and Mrs. Ostberg and Mrs. Beauchesne for coaching the boys team. Intramural Floor Hockey begins in November at lunch recess time.

Re-Takes—They will take place on Monday, November 5th at the school. You can pick up your envelope from Mrs. Boyes in the office if you haven't already done so. Remember, these need to be prepaid and if you are not satisfied with the re-takes then refunds will be given.

Absentee Notes – Please remember to send hand written absentee notes to the school the day your child returns after being absent. These notes are needed for our qualifying student audit in May to ensure our full government funding.

Scholastic Book Fair – This will take place the week of the 19th- 23rd. If you have any questions you can talk with Mrs. Soares, the school librarian.

Parent Groups

Parent Teacher Conferences – On November 21st parent teacher conferences run from 3 – 6:30 pm. On Friday, November 23rd from 8:30 – 11:00 am. It is vital that you and your child sit down and speak with your teachers. If you can't make it on those times you can arrange an alternate time with your child's teacher.

PSG Update and Information

Remember the Silent Auction Dinner and Dance is coming up November 17. Tickets are on sale now in the school office. We have some great prizes a VIA rail trip for 4 to Jasper as a door prize, SOHO sunglasses donated by Parker Optometry, a Wii donated by Dan Strickland – Team Powerhouse Realty, PG Rentals has donated a bobcat rental and many more items see the list across from the school office. We are still in need of items so if you have an item or talent or ability you want to donate please let Christy know.

She can be reached at 562-9370 or email at

C.polillo@northernhealthcare.ca or leave the item at the school office with donors name and approximate value on it. Volunteers are needed to decorate and clean up for the event if you are able to help please contact,

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In The Community



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