



ST JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OCTOBER 2015 NEWSLETTER



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We are on the web!
www.hwdsb.ca/stjohnpaul/index.htm

Almighty God, through Your Heavenly guidance St. John Paul II brought joy to so many of Your people. Joy to the children – Joy to the elderly - Joy to those in need of comfort and mercy.

His message of peace and his extraordinary efforts have had a profound affect on the world we live in. We thank You for His inspiration, and rejoice in the legacy of St John Paul II.



Principal's Message

October is a month in which many celebrate the harvest. The time and effort throughout the year is evident in the harvest. As we begin our second month at school this year we, too, can take stock of what we have done to grow in our life. We continue to be called to be the "Salt of the Earth and Light of the World."

We dedicate time this month to Thanksgiving. Thanks for all the blessings God has bestowed on us. Thanks for health, happiness and time with each other. God has given us so much as evidence of His love for us and we are called to share that love with others both close to us and who are less fortunate. As we gather around our tables may we recall the "Thanks" and the "Giving."

Through our Student Council we support bringing in canned goods and non-perishable items for those in need. More details for requests to come.

ST. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

A Catholic School Meeting will be held on Thursday, October 6 at 6:30 to hold elections for the St John Paul II Catholic School Council for 2015 - 2016

Executive Positions are Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer and Secretary. Other positions include 6 Councilors along with a Parish Representative and a Community Representative

All parents are invited to come out to our meetings. We appreciate your input and support.

WE DO PROVIDE FREE BABYSITTING FOR OUR COUNCIL MEETINGS

Please mark the following dates for the Catholic School Council Meetings for the 2015 - 2016 School Year on your calendars.

Meetings start at 6:30 p.m. in the St. John Paul II Staff Room

***tentative dates to be determined with a model to use the 2nd Tuesday each month**

Tuesday October 13
Tuesday November 10
Tuesday January 12
Tuesday February 9
Tuesday April 12
Tuesday May 10
Tuesday June 7

Remember, all parents are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

SUPERVISION ON SCHOOL YARD BEFORE BELL

A reminder to parents that students are not to arrive at school before 8:50 a.m., unless they are enrolled in the Before/After School Program. There will be no supervision on the yard until that time. Supervision will be provided outside for bussed students beginning at their arrival time. Students will not be permitted inside the school unless there is inclement weather (and only after 8:50a.m.). If a teacher has requested that a student comes early for sports, help in class, etc., your child will be provided with a note.

NUT SENSITIVE SCHOOL

We have several students at our school with severe allergies to nuts and milk products. Please plan your child's lunch with consideration for the health and safety of these students. These students have allergies which can result in unconsciousness and anaphylactic shock requiring immediate medical intervention. **Please do NOT send any peanut products to school.** Words cannot express the gratitude of the parents of those children. Also, please do not pack glass bottles in your child's lunch for obvious safety reasons.



School Newsletters

St. John Paul II School newsletters are available on our website:

www.hwcdsb.ca And under schools select ours.

If you do not have access to a computer, please write a note to your child's teacher requesting a hard copy and

Lamontange Chocolate Sales

This year we will be selling Chocolate covered almonds as our fundraiser. Money raised will go to student activities, subsidizing trips and school equipment. 100% of money raised goes towards our students.

PLEASE HELP SUPPORT THIS WORTHY CAUSE

Health and Safety for All

We continue to ask that all staff, students and families practice good hand washing and cough etiquette as we enter our second month of school. We continue to take direction from Public Health. Should anyone in our school community feel the effects of "flu-like" symptoms it is in the best interests for their health, and the health of others, that they stay home and seek medical advice. We want all to enjoy school, home and work. Thank you for your co-operation.

Virtue Winners of The Month

This month we learned what it means to use show **FAITH**. The award winners for September are: Grayson, Abbygail, Jonathan, Elena, Stefania, Easton, Olivia, Javier, Olivia H., Christian, Nate, Yzabelle, Caleb, Kiana, Julia, Luca, Lilian, Elyse, Olivia, Milena, Rosemary, Brian, Tia, Hassan, Perron, Adriana, Giancarlo, Mikaela, Alexis

CONGRATULATIONS . During the month of October we will learning about the Virtue of **EMPATHY**

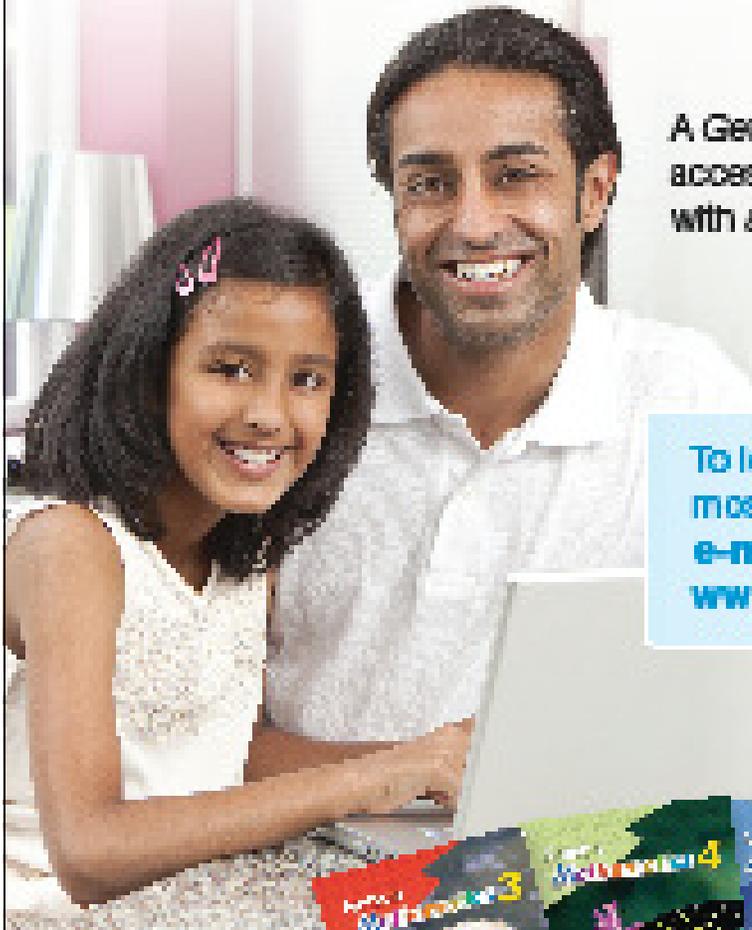
Awesome Job

Parking Lot Safety Concerns

Parents/guardians who use our parking lot are reminded to make **SAFETY** their first priority. If you are bringing your vehicle to school, we ask that you park in the parking lot on the North side of the building closest to the playground. This is also an excellent site for a "Drop Off" area. Students can be dropped off on the sidewalk leading to the playground and parents can continue to follow the driveway as they exit. Do not double park beside the vehicles in the "Pick Up" lane. This lane is for moving vehicles only and must be kept clear at all times. Allowing your children to leave or enter your vehicle in this lane endangers their lives. Students need a safe exit out of the playground, so please do not block walkways. Be patient. We all need to set a good example by demonstrating that we are never too rushed to practise safety.

Visited e-math+?

Make math fun by connecting math learning in the classroom and at home with e-math+.



A Getting Started package that includes access information has been sent home with all students in Grades 3–6.

To learn how you can make the most of all the features available on e-math+, watch the tutorial video at www.nelson.com/emathplus



Finding the right solution for students and parents



Canadian Council of Ministers of Education
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Catholic School Council Nutrition News for October

October Nutrition Tip Healthy Halloween Treats

Halloween does not always have to mean sticky candy or chocolate, there are a lot of healthy or non-food items that can be fun as a treat as well. A banana cut horizontally with raisin eyes or a mandarin with the jack-o-lantern face drawn on the skin with a marker both make healthy and fun treats!

Remember, kids always love pencils, stickers and moulding dough as well.

Pizza Days/Sub Days



We will be having Pizza Days every Wednesday. Orders are taken on Monday and the order is placed for our supplier on that day. **No extra pizzas** are ordered for students to

buy on pizza days

SUB FORMS will be out a week before sub days. The form has due dates written right on the top section.

We hope you enjoy your food days and all money raised will go towards subsidizing school trips and to educational materials for your child.

School Bell Times

School starts	9:05 a.m.
Recess	10:15 a.m.—10:30 a.m.
Lunch Gr. 1-8	11:50 a.m.—12:40 p.m.
Lunch FDELKP	11:50 a.m.—12:40 p.m.
Recess	1:50 p.m.—2:05 p.m.
Dismissal	3:25 p.m.



Parents/Guardians: Please note that the students in Grades 1 to 8 will be outside from 11:50 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. At 12:20 p.m., they will go inside to eat their lunches.

The students in JK/K eat their lunches at 11:50 a.m.

If a child lives with . . .

- If a child lives with criticism,
He learns to condemn.
- If a child lives with hostility,
He learns to fight.
- If a child lives with ridicule,
He learns to be shy.
- If a child lives with shame,
He learns to feel guilty.
- If a child lives with tolerance,
He learns to be patient.
- If a child lives with encouragement,
He learns confidence.
- If a child lives with praise,
He learns to appreciate.
- If a child lives with fairness,
He learns justice.

Parents and Family After Hours in the building

It is becoming more and more a concern that families are entering the school after the day ends to pick up homework and/or lost items. We appreciate that children sometimes forget homework. We understand that clothing items have value and families do not want them missing.

However, we need to be reminded that items can remain at school and that lessons are learned that way as well. We all just want to ensure it does not become a habit. We have Before and After Program Supervisors who are responsible for the safety and supervision of students under their care. Custodial and Cleaners have to clean the building. It can be very upsetting for them to encounter students and/or adults in the hallways unexpectedly.

Please do not go through the halls after hours.