



St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School

Newsletter November 18, 2016

"We wish to listen to one other: we believe that this itself is already a sign of peace."
Pope John Paul II



With Thanks!



The staff would like to say a huge thank you to the four parents who volunteered to help us clean and set up the computer lab so it could return to its former life as A Computer Lab! Felipe Diaz, Joelle Berry, Dawn Thalheimer and Nick Deschenes did a fantastic job of dusting, sweeping, washing and mopping (several times over!) to remove the MANY layers of construction and drywall dust that settled upon us over the past 5 months, as well as moving computers and furniture. We are so grateful to them for taking time to help from their busy schedules.

If you were unable to help, stay tuned, more to come as we continue to evolve.

Office Relocation Part 2!

We have now moved the office into the new office area and we are so thrilled and blessed with the space. We are still living and working at fold away tables and out of boxes but NO COMPLAINTS! Until the new 'foyer' is open, we will continue to run the 'office counter' from the hall in Doyle. We thank you for respecting the staff office space and for your patience in using the bell to let us know you are there. Some of you are having quite a lot of fun 'RINGING' the bell as you wait!

School Mass



Please join us in celebrating mass Tuesday, November 22nd 10:45 a.m. with Fr. Harry Clarke. Thank-you to Mr. Zerr and his class for preparing the mass. Don't forget a donation for St. Vincent de Paul.



STAR OF WONDER! Primary Christmas Concert: mark your calendar!

This year our Christmas Concert "**STAR OF WONDER!**" is being presented by our primary classes but it is a 'must see' for all of our families and friends! Mark Thursday, December 8th at 1:15 and 6:30 on your calendars and we will see you there.

Note to Parents re: Scholastic Book Orders

**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION**

Renee Duke does the book orders for all but one of the teachers at St. Joseph Elementary, as well as all of the Clubhouse Day Care/Preschool groups. Those of you wanting to use the credit card payment option must look for that name when you go onto the Scholastic site. Also, Scholastic has just started charging a shipping & handling fee for orders under \$30.00, so it will no longer be possible for late orders to be processed individually as they have been in the past. Any below minimum orders coming in after your child's classroom due date will have to be included with the following month's order and will not arrive until it does.



I'm Dreaming of a "Green" Christmas

Donation drop off blitz will be **November 23rd to Dec. 2nd**. Grade 6 students will be available at morning drop off 8:15 - 8:30 a.m. to collect your Green Christmas Sale items. Look for the Green Hats!!

Items that can be donated may include; jewelry, books, games, puzzles, toys, toques, scarves, belts, men's ties, purses, bags, household decorations, Christmas decorations, candles, pictures, frames, etc...

Our sale is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13th. All money raised will go towards purchasing livestock for families in Ghana and support Project G.R.O.W. Ghana Rural Opportunities for Women is a community development project, which aims to facilitate women's economic empowerment and community capacity building agenda in rural Ghana.



ST. JOSEPH CHRISTMAS MARKET Saturday, November 26th, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Mark your calendar – the St. Joseph Christmas Market is next **Saturday November 26th starting at 10 a.m. in the school**. This will be a perfect event to gather family and friends for a few hours of Christmas shopping!

The line-up of vendors is available at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1802742953332237>
It features some of our very own SJE Young Entrepreneurs!

***Please remember admission is by way of donation of a non-perishable food item for St. Vincent de Paul, at the door. A concession offering light lunch and refreshments will be available. Thank you!!

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS



Sign-up is now open for Christmas Market volunteer activities, including, start times, to assist with set-up Friday (November 25th) and during the day Saturday (November 26th) with concession and clean-up after 2 p.m.

Please click on the following link (or copy it into your web browser) to go to the signup sheet: www.volunteersignup.org/L3XH9

It only takes seconds to sign-up, but the value of your contribution is immeasurable. Thank you for volunteering!!

PURDYS CHOCOLATES & DEVRY POINSETTIAS



A special thank you to Ashley Pereira and all St. Joseph Elementary families and friends that participated in the Purdys and Poinsettias fundraiser. Thank you!!



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MABEL'S LABELS FUNDRAISER

Here's a great way to ensure important possessions are always labelled with your family name – choose Mabel's Labels! (Dishwasher, microwave and laundry safe)

<http://mabelslabels.com/support-a-fundraiser>

Look for "St. Joseph Elementary, Kelowna" in the drop-box. Place your order, before Wednesday, November 30th and Mabel's Labels will return a 20% rebate as a donation to support our school! Thank you!!

REMINDER...

Christmas Order Forms are

DUE NEXT WEEK!!!

A copy is attached if you need

Order Cards...

- For grocery shopping for Christmas dinner
- For teacher gifts
- As family gifts
- For shopping for gifts
- For Employee gifts
- For Co-workers
- For Secret Santa Gifts
- For donations to The Food Bank, Freedoms Door or your chosen charity

ST. JOSEPH'S CARDS FOR KIDS	
CHRISTMAS ORDER FORM	
Name	Date
Address	Phone
PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY IN ALL CAPS	
IF YOU ARE ORDERING FOR A GROUP, PLEASE PRINT THE NAME OF THE GROUP AND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE TO BE SERVED	
BEFORE THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH	
PLEASE PRINT THE NAME OF THE CHARITY OR ORGANIZATION YOU ARE ORDERING FOR	
If you are using P.O. BOX, please indicate the P.O. BOX number and the City and State	
ITEM	QUANTITY
APPLES	12.00
BANANAS	12.00
BREAD	12.00
BUTTER	12.00
EGGS	12.00
FLOUR	12.00
GRAPEFRUIT	12.00
ORANGES	12.00
PINEAPPLE	12.00
POPCORN	12.00
RAISINS	12.00
SHRIMP	12.00
SOY SAUCE	12.00
TOMATOES	12.00
VEGETABLES	12.00
WINE	12.00
YOGURT	12.00
APPLES	12.00
BANANAS	12.00
BREAD	12.00
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YOGURT	12.00



Rooted in Faith: Praying for our Catholic Schools

Join us Monday, November 21st at 9:00 a.m. in the Bedford Room (ICC Hall)
Prayer focus will be Miss Nutini's grade 1 class.

Attachments

- Cards for Kids Christmas - Order Form
- Christmas Market – poster
- Immaculata High School Annual Christmas Art Exhibition - poster

Our mission is to foster the development of the total child in spirit, mind and body. Through Jesus, we encourage the pursuit of excellence in a community of love and respect.

Virtue for November is
COMPASSION

How do we practise it:

- Kind feelings for others who are hurt
- Caring deeply for others
- Being kind and forgiving others who have hurt you

“The Virtues Project™”