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Newsletter ***April 7th, 2017***



Main Entrance Now Open!!

Welcome back to all of our families! We hope you had a wonderful spring break. Our main entrance front doors are open and ready to welcome you!! If you are dropping your child off late, please bring them in the now open main front doors and check in at the office. Thank you!



Science Fair

Congratulations to Flora Grenier & Taylor Melnyk, Hani Rehan, London Thalheimer, John White, Sarah Donick & Isabella Durante, Emiliano Feeny & Jude Beetlestone, Anna-Belle Lovering and Ava Zydowicz who represented St. Joseph at the District Science Fair March 10-11th at UBCO. Well done!

Flora & Taylor "Climate Control," Emiliano and Jude "The Green Machine" and John White "Fascinating Flight" projects were selected to advance to the Regional Science Fair Competition this Saturday, April 8th at Summerland Secondary School. We wish them luck!

Grade 5 Student Initiative Bake Sale a huge success!!!

Please stay tuned for an update on the details!

Holy Thursday: Stations of the Cross



Please join us in the gym for the Stations of the Cross on Thursday, April 13th at 10:45am

IRHS "Junior Go Team" Event

Please see the attachment for a great event happening for a great cause!!!



ATTENTION PARENTS LOOKING FOR 2017-18 SERVICE HOURS!



After over twenty years of processing Scholastic orders for most of the school, Ms. Duke is ready to 'close the book' on it. When she started doing book orders, it was to obtain service hours, and only involved orders from her son's class. As he moved through the school, she kept adding classes, and by the time he graduated, was too much in the habit to stop! Now, however, she *is* planning to stop, and is seeking a replacement.

Processing book orders easily involves enough hours to fulfill parental service obligations, and could even be shared by two people, with one taking over the K-3 orders, and another the 4-7 orders. The new processor(s) could start to get a feel for what the job entails by working with Ms. Duke in May/June, and then either go 'solo' in September, or go 'semi-solo', with Ms. Duke on call for help and/or advice, should this be desired. If interested, please inform the office, or call Ms. Duke at 250-868-2651.



PSG MEETING – Tuesday April 11th at 6:30pm

Please find the minutes from the March meeting enclosed. The monthly PSG meeting for April is Tuesday the 11th in the school at 6:30pm. All parents welcome, we look forward to seeing you!

2017-18 PSG EXECUTIVE – A SPOT FOR YOU!!



The Parent Support Group plays an important supportive role in Catholic Education and the goals of St. Joseph Elementary School – contributing as a PSG Executive is a great way to stay close to the programs that build our community, and support the education of our children!

Please consider your nomination for one of the PSG Executive roles. Election will be at the June meeting (AGM). Serving in that role for the **2017-18 school year** qualifies automatically as the 15 school hour's contribution.

If you are interested in a particular role, or are ready to volunteer for **2017-18** (starting September 2017) please reach-out to the current volunteer - Jeff White (PSG President/e-mail: jwchocolate@hotmail.com). Please see the attachment for description of roles. Thank you.

H2O – MEND



Please see the attached poster about a very cool family program you can attend at the H2O Center. Families that register in the program receive a free membership for the H2O!!

<p>cards for KIDS March</p> <p>As you know our GOAL is \$20,000.</p> <p>To date we have raised \$13,115.00</p> <p>We are 66% to our goal – we are getting close!</p> <p>With only 3 months to go – please help and buy cards.</p> <p>T-Bones gives us 15%!</p> <p>Let's reach our goal St. Joe's!</p>	<p>Cards for Kids 2016/2017 Goal of \$20,000</p> <p>A pie chart with a dark blue section on the left and a maroon section on the right. The maroon section is labeled 'RAISED 66%' with a smiley face icon. The dark blue section is labeled 'MORE CARDS TO BUY' with a handshake icon. A legend at the bottom shows a maroon square for 'RAISED' and a dark blue square for 'STILL TO GO'.</p>
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Rooted in Faith: Praying for our Catholic Schools

Join us Monday, April 10th at 8:50 a.m. in the Bedford Room (ICC Hall)
Prayer focus will be Mrs. Beetlestone's 6B class.

Attachments

- Cards for Kids – order form
- PSG - Why Join the St. Joseph PSG?/ Executive Roles – descriptions
- PSG - Meeting March Minutes
- Immaculata - "Junior Go Team" & "Global Friends Foundation" Fundraiser
- H2O MEND

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 April is

LOVE

How do we practise it:

- A special feeling that fills your heart
- Treating people and things with special care and kindness
- Treating others just as you would like them to treat you

"The Virtues Project™"