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ST. JOSEPH
CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
LOVE · RESPECT

Newsletter January 26th, 2018

"Be kind to one another."
Ephesians 4:32

SCHOOL NEWS

Save the Dates:

- Thursday, February 8th will be our Family Day Picnic in the gym from 11:40-12:45!
Plan to come and join your child for lunch.
- Tuesday, February 13th Shrove Tuesday Pancake Brunch!
- Wednesday, February 14th Ash Wednesday Mass (9:15)

Catholic School Week

Catholic Schools' Week starts on Sunday, February 4th and ends on Saturday, February 10th.

Student-Led Conferences

Conference request sheets for each child were **due today Friday, January 26th**.

Student-Led Conferences will take place on Tuesday, February 6th and Wednesday, February 7th from 4:00 – 7:30. Thank you for taking the time to schedule your conference time.

There will be **no school** Friday, February 9th as a day in lieu of Student-Led Conferences or on Monday, February 12th which is Family Day.

Protecting your Child from Infections

Please take a few minutes to read this useful link from Interior Health. Helping to keep your children and you healthy is important.

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/health-topics/ue5130>

No Parking

No parking in the Drop-off/Pickup lane. Please remember to stop at the Stop sign. Thank you.

Volunteer Hours - update

A minimum of twenty hours of service must be performed. The five hours previously required for the Masterpiece Campaign Projects are no longer required due to its completion.

Ready, Set Learn

St. Joseph School will hold our **Ready, Set Learn! Wednesday, February 21st** from **9:00 - 10:30am**. This is a wonderful opportunity for children who are entering kindergarten in September 2018. They will spend time in our kindergarten classroom participating in fun activities, listening to a story and enjoying snack. During this time parents will go on a tour and learn about our fantastic school. If you or someone you know has a child starting kindergarten this September, please join us for this exciting event.

Call the school office (250 763-3371) as soon as possible to reserve your spot as space is limited.
St. Joseph Elementary School – the RIGHT CHOICE for your child!

PSG NEWS

READ-A-THON

Read-a-thon is coming! Now's the time for the kids to warm-up to all their loving family members as pledge sponsors! Look for further information and sponsorship packages soon.

If you have questions, please contact Ashley Pereira ashleypereira3@gmail.com

FAMILY FUN DAY PICNIC – Thursday, February 8th

On Thursday, February 8th we will hold a Family Fun Day Picnic in the gym from 11:40 to 12:45. Join us with your packed lunch and don't forget a picnic blanket to share with your children!

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DAY – Tuesday February 13th

The PSG will host a pancake brunch in the Parish Hall to celebrate Shrove Tuesday on February 13th for all students, teachers and staff of St. Joseph Elementary and the Clubhouse.

We are seeking help from parent volunteers (set-up starting at 9am, chefs, servers, clean-up) to help make this event a success!

Please sign-up to volunteer using the following link: <https://www.volunteersignup.org/MJ4DX>

NEXT PSG MEETING – Tuesday February 15th at 6:30pm

Please find the minutes for the January meeting attached. The PSG monthly meeting for February will be Thursday, February 15th at 6:30pm in school library.

All parents welcome!

COMMUNITY NEWS – *No news*

Attachments

- January PSG meeting minutes
- Rooted in Faith schedule



Rooted in Faith: Praying for our Catholic Schools **Join us in the IRHS Chapel 12:15 *Please note change in time**

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| Monday, January 29 th | Prayer Focus 4B | Mrs. Braund's class |
| Monday, February 5 th | Prayer Focus 11B | Mr. Witkowi's class |
| Monday, February 19 th | Prayer Focus 5Z | Mr. Zerr's class |

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 January is **Creativity**

- is the power of imagination
 - a way to develop your special talents
 - seeing something in a new way, finding a different way to solve a problem
- "The Virtues Project™"

Virtue for February is **Kindness**

- showing you care, doing some good to make life better for others
- being thoughtful about people's needs
- showing love and compassion to someone who is sad or needs your help
- treating yourself and others gently
- caring about the earth and all living things

"The Virtues Project™"