



St. Michael's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

As your family prepares for the start of the new school year, you may be experiencing mixed emotions. Let me assure you that the teachers and staff here at St. Michael's are ready to welcome them with open arms. The teachers have been tirelessly working to prepare the classrooms. The school is sparkling thanks to our maintenance staff, and the administration team is working to ensure your child's transition to the next grade is seamless.

We are in the process of preparing our updated communicable disease plan which will be posted on the school website next week. We will be promoting a safe and inclusive environment in which to work, pray, learn, and play through frequent hand washing, enhanced cleaning protocols, and providing a mask friendly environment. Masks will continue to be a personal choice for students and staff.

To help ensure a safe environment here at St. Michael's, please monitor your child daily for any signs of illness. If your child is experiencing any signs of illness, please let them rest at home and seek the advice of a medical practitioner.

I am looking forward to meeting you all in the coming weeks and pray that you and your children continue to be blessed by the grace of God.

Mrs. Grant

SCHOOL THEME

"Seeking Truth, Healing, and Reconciliation".



As we enter our new school year we are called to consider our CISVA theme and reflect on how we can incorporate it in our school and classrooms this year. As Catholics, we seek to develop a personal relationship with Christ as we journey towards life with Him in heaven. We seek truth through His word and healing through His mercy and grace. We now look forward and seek reconciliation with Indigenous peoples through the Holy Spirit. As Pope Francis shared in his address on July 25th, "*Our own efforts are not enough to achieve healing and reconciliation: we need God's grace. We need the quiet and powerful wisdom of the Spirit, the tender love of the Comforter. May he bring to fulfilment the deepest expectations of our hearts. May he take us by the hand and enable us to advance together on our journey.*"

For thus says the Lord to the house of Israel: Seek me and live (Amos 5:4).

PARENT PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES

Get your hours early!

The fundraising team needs help throughout September to keep track of our chocolate sales. If you are available during school hours (1-2 hours per week are available) and would like to earn volunteer hours, please contact our fundraising coordinator, Yolunda Lavorata, or the school office.

Soccer and Volleyball teams will be looking for coaches throughout September and October. If you are interested in coaching a team, please contact Coach Oleigue.

SEPTEMBER TUITION PAYMENTS

A reminder that all cheques submitted to the office post-dated for September will be deposited next week.

MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT

Our annual Meet the Teacher Night will be on Tuesday, September 13, 2022. This is a wonderful opportunity for our families to meet the staff and get to know your child's teacher(s).

We are excited to invite our families back to an in-person Meet The Teacher Night beginning in the school gym at 7pm. There will also be an optional Parent Participation Meet at 6pm to learn about volunteer opportunities and meet category managers.

USED-UNIFORM STORE

There will be a used-uniform sale on Tuesday, September 6th from 11:30am until 12:30pm and again on Friday, September 9th from 2:45-3:30pm. The store will be located at the back of the school at the music room door.

IMPORTANT DATES

Our school calendar is now available on our website. On the homepage, look to the top right hand corner for the small calendar icon. We will endeavour to update this regularly for your convenience.

September

- 6 First Day of School 8:40am - 12pm (No K classes); Used-uniform Sale 11:30-12:30
- 9 School Mass 9am; Used-uniform Sale 2:45-3:30pm
- 11 Teacher Commissioning Sunday Mass 10am
- 13 Meet the Teacher Night 7pm with Parent Participation Meeting (Optional) 6pm
- 16 School Mass 9am; LiD Ceremony 2pm
- 22 Non-Uniform Day
- 23 School Mass 9am
- 24 St. Michael's Feast Dinner Dance
- 29 St. Michael's Feast Day Mass 9am
- 30 Truth and Reconciliation Day (No School)

Detailed calendar of all events can be found on the website at the following link:

Calendar of Events September and October 2022

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