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Saint Joseph's News

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Our school community strives to promote love and respect for God, self and others, while fostering lifelong learning and celebrating Catholic faith, traditions and values.

Welcome & Welcome Back!

Saint Joseph's School Staff - 2016-17

Welcome and welcome back to Saint Joseph's School, all of our students, parents and staff for the school year 2016-2017. A special welcome goes out to all of our students, especially those new to our school. We hope that you will enjoy a most successful, rewarding school year here with us.



As well, we welcome new and returning staff to St. Joseph's. We wish that all of you feel welcome and at home here and that you are able to be the best examples of faith and leadership to our students. Finally, to both new and returning parents, we welcome you to our Saint Joseph's School Community. The staff here is eager to begin working with students and you, the parents, in providing your son/daughter with a quality education founded on the Gospel values.



JK/SK - Mme Ashley Clark, Mme Sarah Smith & Mme Nancy Kosikar
 JK/SK - Mrs Jamie Johnson & Miss Abby Marsden
 Gr. 1-2 FI- Mme Erin Wilke
 Gr. 1/2 Eng Mrs Maryanne Barker
 Gr.3/4 Eng Mrs. Jenna Stewart
 Gr. 2/3 FI Mme Lindsay Wright
 Gr. 5/6 Eng Mr. Scott Moorehead
 Gr. 4/5 FI Mme Philippa Miller
 Gr. 6/7 Eng Mrs. Samantha Wilkinson
 Gr. 6/7/8 FI Mr. Richard Kennedy
 Gr. 7/8 Eng/Music Mr. Tim Broughton/
 Mrs MaryJane Hewitt
 Native Language: Mrs Nataalka Pucan
 Resource Mrs Denise Hilts
 Instructional Coach Mr. Eric Frampton
 Reading Recovery Mrs Kathy Reece
 Core French Mme Carolyn Kelly
 Library Tech Mrs Crystal Vandewater
 Office Manager Mrs Kelly MacArthur
 Educational Mrs. Kathy Lequyere
 Assistants Mrs. Alicia Kidd
 Mrs Judy McGough
 Mrs Melissa Kahgee-Ritchie
 Mrs Sharon Isaac
 Mrs Stephanie Roote
 Custodian Mr. Wayne Voisin
 Custodian Mr Dave Hinsberger
 Principal Mr. Keith Walsh



2016-2017 School Day

Time	Class Period
8:30-8:50	Morning Supervision
8:50	Entry Bell
8:50-9:30	Period 1
9:30-10:10	Period 2
10:10-10:50	Period 3
10:50-11:35	Nutrition Break
11:35-12:15	Period 4
12:15-12:55	Period 5
12:55-1:40	Lunch Break
1:40-2:20	Period 6
2:20-3:00	Period 7
3:00-3:20	Period 8
3:20	Dismissal

Student Agendas

A reminder to parents that once again this year, we are strongly encouraging the use of student agendas. These agendas are an excellent organizational tool that helps students with the day to day workload, deadline dates and generally enables them to improve their efficiency as a student. The cost this year will be \$5.00 as the school board has stopped paying a portion of our costs. These agendas contain important Board and School information and you, the parents as well as your child(ren) are encouraged to read through it.



Safe Arrival Program

Please, don't forget to use our **24 hr Safe Arrival Program** 389-5495 before 9:00 am whenever your child is away from school. This is a program that we have in place to ensure the safety of our students. As well, when you call, the Health Unit has asked us to track the type of sickness. Please provide that information when you call if applicable. The Safe Arrival Number is an answering machine that will be checked by Mrs. MacArthur prior to the start of the school day. Many thanks for this as it saves the time it takes to follow up with calls to your home or emergency contact numbers.



Calling All Volunteers

Time and again, here at Saint Joseph's School, we have tried to express our gratitude for all that our volunteers do to make our school a great place to learn. In light of this point, we are now asking for volunteers for the coming school year. This volunteering could include assisting teachers with student success, helping with various class trips, the breakfast club and even serving on parent council. Please call the school if you are available to help us. The school board has instituted a policy whereby anyone who volunteers at school must get a criminal background check. Please check with the office to get the proper forms to fill out. Thanking you in advance for your time and generosity.



In particular right now, we need help with our Breakfast Club.



PLEASE SIGN IN

Parents, please be aware that we have a visitor sign in policy. We have placed a small table in the entranceway with a sign in book. We respectfully ask that you simply sign the book and then check in at the office for a visitor's tag. We have put this in place for the safety and security of our students and staff. We thank you for your understanding in this matter.



School Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 14th
6:30 pm classroom across from office.
All are welcome.

Meet the Staff Evening

Staff at Saint Joseph's School are pleased to welcome all parents/guardians to a meet the staff evening on Thursday, September 22nd. 5:00-7:00. A portion of the evening will include teachers being available in their classrooms for you to visit and discuss programming and classroom expectations. There will be more detailed information forthcoming as soon as the evening is more fully organized. We look forward to seeing you on that evening.



September Assembly
Thursday, September 29th at 2:20
Please Join Us!

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PERSONAL PRIVACY ACT

During the school year, there will be opportunities for students' work to be displayed, students' special achievements to be publicized, students to be photographed in a variety of activities for newspapers or display and class lists to be posted for various activities. We make every attempt to exercise discretion and common sense in any publications from Saint Joseph's School, but we wish to ensure that parental/guardian wishes for privacy are respected in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Personal Privacy Act. Please remember to return the letter we are sending home concerning this issue and with a written note if you have concerns. Thank you for your understanding.



Early Dismissal Days

Due to transportation issues between the Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board and Bluewater District School Board, there **WILL NOT** be any Early Dismissal Days this school year.

Sandcastle Theatre

Sandcastle Theatre is offering various workshops to our Grade 4-8 students this coming school year www.sandcastletheatre.com. This first workshop is a musical theatre workshop which will start Tuesday, October 4 and run for five consecutive Tuesdays until Tuesday, November 1st. The cost will be \$45. Please check it out and get your child registered!



**SandCastle
Theatre**

Opening School Mass
Wednesday, September 28,
2016
9:30 AM. Please join us.



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

September 2016

Monthly Quote: **Dreams don't work unless you do!**



Virtue of the Month:

Respect



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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 Meet the Staff night. 5:00-7:00.	23	24
25	26	27	28 Opening School Mass at 9:30.	29 Monthly Assembly@ 2:20.	30	