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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- 2019-20

Welcome and welcome back to Saint Joseph's School, all of our students, parents and staff for the school year 2019-2020. 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 Amy Shute & Mme Nancy Kosikar  
JK/SK - Mme Jenny Quibell & Mme Steph Weiler  
JK/SK-Ms Jamie Johnson & Ms Megan Leblanc  
Gr. 1/2 - FI- Mme Erin Van Moorsel  
Gr. 1/2 Eng Mrs MaryJane Hewitt  
Gr.3 Eng Ms Jenna Stewart  
Gr. 3 FI Mme Lindsay Wright  
Gr. 4/5 FI Mme Philippa Miller  
Gr. 5/6 FI Mme Brittany Pilon  
Gr. 4/5 Eng Mr. Scott Moorehead  
Gr.6/ 7 Eng Mrs. Carolyn Windsor  
Gr. 7/8 FI Mr. Richard Kennedy  
Gr. 8 Eng Mr. Alex Hawton  
Native Language: Mrs Nataka Pucan  
Resource/Core English: Mrs Denise Hilts  
Resource/Core English: Mme Ashley Clark  
Instructional Coach Mrs. Kristen Fitzsimmons  
Core E 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 Andrea Culbert  
Mrs Virginia Szulist, Ms Amanda Kahgee  
Mrs Sherry Ritchie  
An CYW to be determined  
Custodian: Mr. Wayne Voisin  
Custodian: Mrs Melissa Schmidt  
Principal: Mr. Keith Walsh

## 2019-2020 School Day

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

This schedule remains the same as last year.

## 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 help students with the day to day workload, deadline dates and generally enables them to improve their efficiency as a student. The cost this year, as in past years will be \$5.00. 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

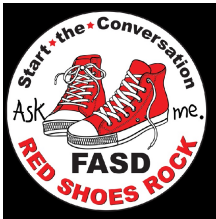


even serving on parent council. Please call the school if you are available to help us. The school board has instituted a policy whereby anyone who volunteers at school must get a criminal background check.

Please check with the office to get the proper forms to fill out. Thanking you in advance for your time and generosity.

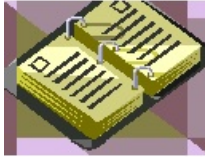


Next Monday, September 9, our school will complete 9 laps of the track at 2:00 in support of FASD (Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder) awareness. Please join us if you are able.



## 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**  
**Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**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 26<sup>th</sup>, 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 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00**  
**Notice the time change**  
**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, including social media. 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 go to "cash online" and complete that form as per instructions sent by Mrs. MacArthur recently. Thank you for your understanding.



## **Electronic Copy of this Newsletter**

Any parent who has already registered for school messenger will receive this newsletter electronically.

## **School Cash Online**

For safety and efficient reasons, the Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board would like to reduce the amount of cash and cheques coming into our school. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE! It takes less than five minutes to register. Please go to the School Cash Online homepage <https://bgcdsb.schoolcashionline.com/> and select "Get Started Today" option.

**Opening School Mass**  
**Date to be determined**  
**Masses occur at 9:30 AM.**  
**Please join us when you can!**



Sunday

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# September 2019

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



Virtue of the Month:

**Respect**

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Welcome Back!

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9 Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30.



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Diocesan Mass in Hamilton.



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5:00-7:00

27 PD Day. Faith Formation for Staff. **No school for students.**



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