

ST. CARTHAGH CATHOLIC SCHOOL JANUARY UPDATE

This month's theme is Self-Control: Our Catholic Graduate Expectation is to be an Effective Communicator.

First Holy Communion/Reconciliation & Confirmation Parent Meeting-January 23rd at 6:00 p.m. there will be a meeting with Father Aidan for parents whose children will be making their First Holy Communion/Reconciliation as well as Confirmation this year.

Christmas Sharing-A very special thank you to parents, students and staff for their generous donations to the Christmas Sharing Program again this year. We provided bountiful baskets to 7 families in need. The true spirit of Christmas is alive and well in the hearts of all.

Thank You-Thanks to School Council, students and staff were treated to a very special Christmas dinner. Thank you to Mrs. Rivers and Mrs. Hunt for their time and expertise baking and decorating cookies for each student. We would also like to thank School Council for coordinating our "Christmas Shopping". This is such a fun event for our students. Proceeds from the shopping provide the turkeys for our Christmas Sharing baskets.

Hallway Music-Be sure to check out Mrs. Healey's Twitter for our weekly hallway music so that you can enjoy it at home! @HealeyHeather

Volunteering on Field Trips & School Activities-All parents, grandparents and community volunteers who wish to participate in any activity at school such as going on field trips or with school programs will be required to have a police check completed and presented to the school in its original format. We encourage and value your participation and will provide a letter to your local police detachment that usually results in the process being done at no cost to you. Police checks are good for three years from date of issue. Please call the office if you would like a letter or to see if your current police check has expired.

Dress for the Weather-The colder weather is upon us and students are outside for recess for up to 40 minute intervals during the day, so it is important to dress accordingly. In order to get the most enjoyment from their time outdoors, please make sure your child has a hat, mitts, winter coat, snow pants and boots for school yard play. These items should be labeled with your child's name.

Bus Cancellations-Cancellations due to inclement weather will be announced on the following radio stations CJBQ and MIX 97 at regular intervals in the morning and on Twitter @alcdsb-cart. If the bus does not run in the morning, it will not run at the end of the day. (The only exception to this is a cancellation due to fog). Please remember that if your child is dropped off in the morning, they will need to be picked up promptly at the afternoon dismissal time. All schools within the Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic District School Board will remain open unless otherwise indicated.

January 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Back to School	7	8	9	10 School Mass 9:30	11
12	13	Together is Better Assembly 9:40 Parent Council 6:00	15	16	17 Vision Screening	18
19	20	21	22	First Holy Communion/Reconciliation and Confirmation Parent Meeting 6:00	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 Gr. 8 Orientation & Course Selection	31 PA Day	



Date of Screening: January 17, 2020

Vision Screening is being conducted for Senior Kindergarten (SK) students at your child's school.

IMPORTANT:

 Parents who do <u>not</u> wish to have their child screened are required to advise the school, in writing, before the scheduled screening date. Include your child's name, date of birth, and the name of their school in the letter.

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- Vision screening takes children through three simple eye tests that can detect risk factors for certain vision disorders.
- It is non-invasive, so it is not harmful or painful in any way.
- Vision screening cannot diagnose vision disorders.
- Information about your child's vision screening is sent home to inform parents of any vision concerns.
- The vision screening is conducted under the statutory authority of the Health Protection and Promotion Act.
- . This screening should NOT replace your child's regular visit to the Optometrist for an eye examination.

For more information contact Hastings Prince Edward Public Health

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