



School Newsletter

St. Gregory Catholic School

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Some Important Dates

Apr 1 - Big Kid Entertainment Show
Apr 5 - PA Day
Apr 9 - Kinder vision/hearing screening
Apr 10 - 5/6 to Aladdin in Kingston
Apr 11 - Kinder vision/hearing screening
Apr 11 - Mr. Thompson to Safety Village
Apr 12 - School Mass All welcome
Apr 15 - Holy Week Begins
Apr 15 - Sacrament of Reconciliation
Apr 19 - Good Friday
Apr 21 - Easter Sunday
Apr 22 - Easter Monday Holiday
Apr 23 - K-4 to Valerie-Lloyd Watts performance
Apr 24 - Grad photo retakes in the afternoon
Apr 24 - Ms. Baker to Prince Edward Point Observatory
Apr 24 - Little Caesar's Pizza pick up day noon to 5PM only
Apr 24 - Ms. Chapman to Safety Village
Apr 25 - Gr 5-8 PEC Music Festival
Apr 27 - Parish Bazar in the Gym
Apr 29 - Vaccinations grade 7
Apr 29 - Kinder vision screening
Apr 30 - Terrific Kids Assembly
May 2 - Hydro One presentation

**Our Lenten Collection
continues!**

**Please send in
SOAP and COINS!**

**It's time to register for
Kindergarten!**

Spread the word. Call or visit the
school or click the link below to
register now.

<http://www.alcddb.on.ca/Schools/Pages/Registration.aspx>

FUN FRENCH FACTS

DID YOU KNOW?

2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the *Official Languages Act* ? #50yearsOLA



*Encourage your child to be a
lifelong learner of French!*

Cut and paste this link into your browser for the Parish Bulletin

<http://stgregoryparish.ca/publications/weeklybulletin.pdf>

School Council

HAPPY APRIL, EVERYONE!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Just a reminder about a few upcoming events from Parent Council.

We'll be doing the Mother's Day/Father's Day/Loved One's Day Mini Market in May again, so if you have any bits and baubles to donate, please start collecting them! The market day will be Thursday, May 9th. If you can volunteer that day, we're looking for wrappers, cashiers, and personal shoppers to help the students. Please contact Nikki Crenna if you can help.

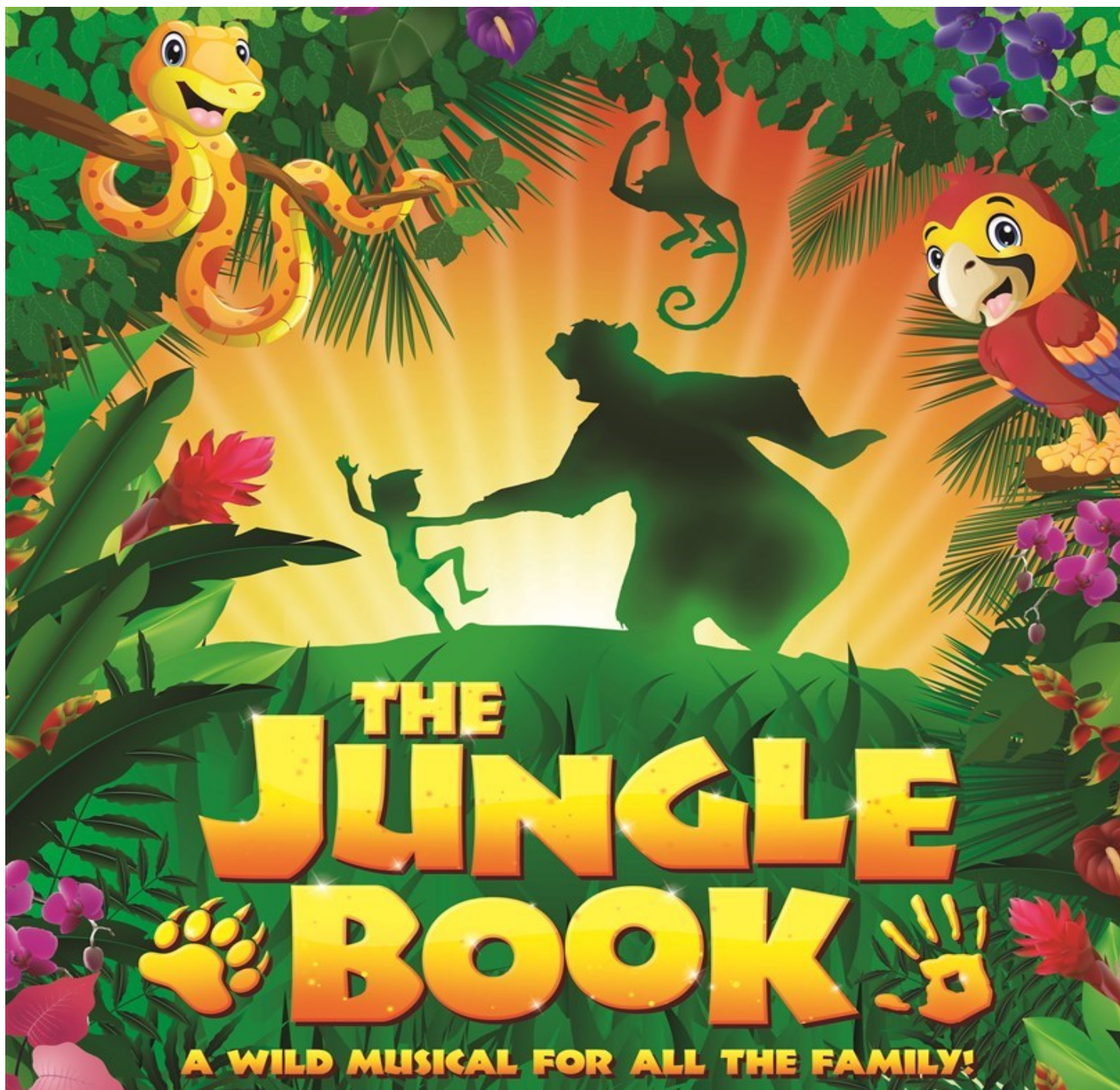
Our annual Fun Fair will be held on June 14, 2019. If you can help plan or volunteer for the event itself, please get in touch! We will be having a planning committee meeting within the next few weeks.

HAVE A VOICE, JOIN THE CONVERSATION

St. Gregory Parent Council is looking for your feedback. We'd love to hear your thoughts. Join the conversation! You can find us online on Facebook. The group address is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/pecsgpc/>

As always, if you have any concerns or questions or thoughts you'd like to address with Parent Council, feel free to email the Parent Council email address: pecsgpc@gmail.com

Or we'd love to see you at our next meeting - **Thursday April 11th, 2019 at 6 pm** at the school! Kids are welcome.



St Gregory Catholic School Presents Disney's
The Jungle Book

Performances

May 8th - 1230

May 9th - 1230 & 7PM

May 10th - 1230 & 7PM

Tickets available soon via *School Cash Online*

Anaphylaxis

A crucial, possibly life-threatening reminder to parents is that we do have students in our school who have severe nut allergies. Please refrain from sending food items to school that contain nuts. While this may seem simple, there are many foods where peanuts or nuts may be a hidden ingredient and so it is very important that you read labels. We realize this request poses an inconvenience for you when packing your child’s lunch. However, the parents of these students wish to express sincere appreciation for your support and understanding.

Pediculosis (Head Lice)

It is important to check your children’s hair for head lice and nits (eggs) as part of your weekly routine. If all families take the time to check and treat as required, it will minimize the number of cases. Also please remind your child(ren) not to share combs, brushes or hats.

SAFETY NOTICE

Do not jaywalk, park or drive between buses during posted bus zone times.

Safe Arrival & Departure

Students arriving or departing by personal motor vehicle during posted bus loading zone times (7:45-8:30am and 2:00-2:45pm) should be dropped off/picked up on Church Street. Vehicles stopping and pedestrians crossing Owen street through bus lanes during the posted times is distracting to bus operators and unsafe. Pedestrians needing to cross Owen Street or Church Street can do so at the intersection of these two streets. A staff member is posted there during peak periods at the beginning and end of the day. Nothing is more important to us than the safety of your children.

Need your High School Diploma?

Loyola School of Adult and Continuing Education offers many options to support you in achieving your goals including high school credit courses, an accredited Personal Support Worker program and English as a Second Language classes. If you are over 18 years old and ready to take the next step in achieving your future, visit our website for more information: www.learningatloyola.ca

Bus Delays & Cancellations

Search for notices or sign up to be notified by email if your bus is running late or has been cancelled at <http://triboard.ca/>

Milk, pizza days, hot lunch, etc. will not be served on days when busses are cancelled. If you come to school on a ‘snow day’ pack a lunch.

Unscheduled Student Pickup

The end of the school day is a very busy time. If you are picking up your child, please send a note to the classroom teacher. This will avoid miscommunications and missed connections. Daily routines are very important to the learning environment. Numerous phone calls and drop ins at the office after 2 PM, from parents expecting to have their children paged are very disruptive to classes. **Please try to contact the school by noon to schedule pickups. Remember that the school day ends at 2:25**

Sharing Home Baked Goods

Occasionally, some classrooms have special events or celebrations, and parents are invited to send in food items to be shared. Food to be shared within the school community must be prepared in an commercial setting. This means we may not bring in home baked goods to share with classmates. When bringing in a commercially produced item to share, such as a tray of squares from Sobeys, be sure to consult with the classroom teacher well in advance. Arrangements can also be made to access our school/parish kitchen for food preparation with your child’s classroom teacher.

Sacramental Preparation

Our Staff work with Fr. Chisholm and our Parish partners to prepare our students for First Communion/Reconciliation (grade 2), and Confirmation (grade 7 & 8 every other year). Children must have a Baptismal certificate on file at the Parish in order to receive these Sacraments. Please ensure that we have this by the end of September. Baptismal preparation may be offered to students requiring it. Please contact the school or Parish office if you would like to have your child baptised or if you have any questions regarding your child’s eligibility to receive the Sacraments. The Rite of Christian initiation for adults is also offered through the Parish.

If you have already expressed interest in receiving the Sacrament of Baptism for your child, expect to be contacted shortly after Thanksgiving.

Please Remember to Sign in when visiting the school

As we start this new school year, please remember to come to the office and sign-in when visiting the school. Our secretary will be happy to call your son/daughters classroom to have them come to the office and meet you. This is a safe schools policy to insure the safety of our children. Thank you for your co-operation.