

# St. Martin Of Tours Catholic School

## Newsletter October 17, 2017

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DRESS FOR THE WEATHER: As we move deeper into October, temperatures can fluctuate greatly. As all students will be sent out for recess, it is important that students DRESS APPROPRIATELY FOR WEATHER CONDITIONS. Recommended items of clothing for this time of year include jackets/sweaters, hats and waterproof footwear.



PLEASE NOTE: There is NO STAFF SUPERVISION available on the yard before 8:30 a.m. (when the first bus arrives at the school). Therefore, we ask that if parents are driving their children to school that they <u>do not drop them off before 8:30 a.m.</u>

MILK & JUICE SALES: White and chocolate milk is now available on a daily basis. Milk will be 75 cents each. Milk cards can be purchased weekly at a cost of \$3.75 or bi-weekly at a cost of \$7.50. The cards have no expiry date. We have found that this is the best way to handle milk sales, as the cards eliminate cash handling during the busy noon hour.

HOT LUNCHES: We welcome anyone else who would like to provide a "warm-up" lunch day for the children to please contact the school. We would, again, welcome any parent/guardian who would like to offer their time to prepare and/or co-ordinate hot lunches. Please know that it is your responsibility to provide your child with utensils, napkins, etc., for their lunch. We will not be providing plastic utensils or napkins in the lunchroom.

LITTLE CAESAR'S PIZZA FUNDRAISER: "Thank You, Thank You, Thank You" so much to everyone who has participated in and supported our school fundraiser. Almost every family participated in this fundraiser selling a total of 178 kits which translates into \$890.00 profit for our school activities (year-end school trips, field trips throughout the year, special events, etc.). That is amazing! Pizza kits will be delivered FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20th and must be picked up prior to noon. Please make arrangements with Rhonda if you are unable to get yours picked up.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

PA DAY: Please be reminded that Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> is a P.A. Day. There is no school for students.

**STUDENT PICTURE DAY:** Our student photos will be taken on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24<sup>th</sup>. Retakes are scheduled for November 13<sup>th</sup>.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

School Council will be initiating a Chocolate Bar Fundraiser in the near future. We will also be doing our annual 50/50 ticket campaign, with the draw being held in December, to support field trips and activities for our students. We are also excited to plan events which will involve parents and students throughout the year. If you have any ideas, please feel free to share them with us. More information about our fundraisers will follow shortly.

GO PURPLE: October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017, is DRESS PURPLE DAY. Children's Aid Societies are working with schools across Ontario to get student support for dressing in purple on that day to help raise awareness about the importance of speaking up and breaking the silence that often surrounds child abuse. Together with your school, we are asking for you to encourage your child to wear something purple on October 24<sup>th</sup>.



#### INDOOR SHOES



A reminder, that all students must have indoor shoes at school to put on when they come in from the yard. Outdoor shoes/boots are taken off when they enter the school. If there is a fire drill or an emergency situation that requires students to evacuate, there is not time for students to put on their shoes before exiting the school.

BUS CANCELLATIONS: As winter approaches and we are faced with the possibility of bus cancellations please take a moment to visit <a href="www.triboard.on.ca">www.triboard.on.ca</a> and sign up for the Cancellations and Delays Notification that can be sent directly to your email.



The Algonquin and Lakeshore Catholic Education Foundation (ALCEF) is a registered charity that raises funds and provides financial support to assist families within our schools during times of crisis or poverty.

This assistance may include the provision of eye glasses, medical supplies, accommodations, food, clothing, or transportation.

For more information, please visit: http://www.alcdsb.on.ca/Board/Pages/Foundation.aspx

**NEWSLETTER:** We will be producing a newsletter every second Tuesday beginning September 19<sup>th</sup>. We will keep you updated on any upcoming or new items that are time sensitive. Please notify Rhonda if you would prefer to receive your newsletter via email.