

St. Martin of Tours Catholic School

Newsletter

September 21, 2021



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Our Annual Terry Fox Run is scheduled for Monday, September 27, 2021. Pledge forms have been sent home with students and we ask they be returned with money collected by October 4th. We thank you all in advance for your assistance and hard work in our fundraising efforts.

On Monday, September 27st, please ensure your child(ren) is/are prepared to be outside to participate in the run.

St. Martin of Tours C.S. is proud to take part in this year's 41st Anniversary of Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope.

Please help show your support by donating to: <http://www.terryfox.ca/StMartinofToursCESWhitney>

Little Caesars Fundraiser



Once again, we will be fundraising with Little Caesars Pizza Kits and will be sending home order forms this week. Orders are due on October 12th and pick up will be on October 26th. Pizza kits are typically delivered in the mornings and we have parents/volunteers pick up around noon. Please be available this day to pick up your orders as we do not have space to store any orders that have not been picked up. We appreciate your fundraising efforts as this money goes towards our students and school.

Knitted Hat Donation

We would like to thank Lorrie Shewchuk, family friend of Mrs. Armstrong, for her kind donation of beautifully knitted hats and gloves for our students.



Welcome to Mrs. Batchelor!

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Mrs. Shaloma Batchelor, our new Child and Youth Worker. Mrs. Batchelor will be joining us at St. Martin of Tours every other Friday to teach students about mindfulness, positive relationships, and support them in any way she can! She had a wonderful day getting to know the students last Friday!



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Outdoor Classroom

We are grateful for the beautiful weather that has been allowing our students to enjoy learning activities in our outdoor classroom!



New Light Table

Students have been having fun with sorting, counting, and grouping during mathematics activities.



French Language Instruction

Our Grade 4 to 8 students are continuing to participate in live online lessons with specialist in French Language Education, Ms. Kimberly D'Anna. In addition, our Board has purchased Rosetta Stone licenses for each of our Grade 4 to 8 students to use in practicing their French listening, speaking, reading and writing! Your child will have some time in class to practice with Rosetta Stone but is also welcome to practice at home if you like! Please ensure that your child has a pair of headphones with a microphone to participate in these French Language activities and please contact us if you require assistance with this.

School Closure Last Thursday Due to Water Main Break

We would like to extend our apologies and thanks to all our families for the inconvenience of the school closure last Thursday. Unfortunately, the water main issue was not seen until Mr. Wannamaker arrived at the building in the morning, so we were not able to provide a lot of notice. We would like to thank everyone for your understanding. Thank you also to the plumbers who were able to complete the repairs that day. Everything is back in working order!

Student Vote

Mrs. Kirkaldy has been working on a national project called Student Vote in which students learn about the political parties and democratic process in Canada. Monday, Election Day in Canada, Mrs. Armstrong oversaw the voting by our Grade 4 to 8 students and submitted the vote numbers to the Student Vote website.

Stained Glass Effect Leaf Craft

Students from K-8 enjoyed a stained-glass leaf craft in which they painted leaves in fall colours. They will finish them up with some tissue paper and glue them together to create beautiful leaves with a stained glass effect.



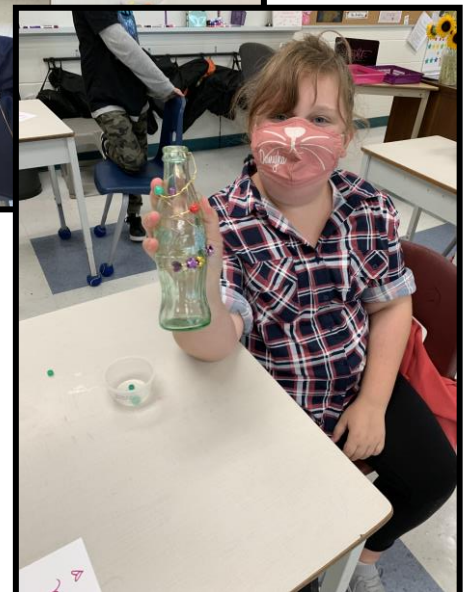
Word Art

The Grades 4-8 students created "Word Art" using words based on a topic of their choice. They look fantastic! Word art is an online tool used to create art using words that form into a variety of shapes.



Plant Rooters

Each of our students from Kindergarten to Grade 8 made and decorated a plant rooster which they brought home last week. Thank you to Marta and Danyka who brought in plant cuttings for each of the students to grow their own plant!



Planting Flowers in the Peace Garden

Our Kinder - Grade 1 Group enjoyed planting flowers to add beauty to our Peace Garden! They were so excited, and we could tell they have had experience planting before!



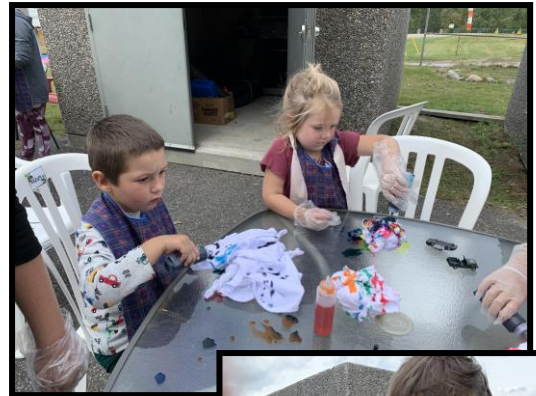
Spirit Days – PJ Day

Students and staff enjoyed dressing in their jammies for our first spirit day! We look forward to planning more fun days for our school to enjoy!



Tie Dying & Tie Dye Day

On the first day of school students enjoyed tie dying shirts! Each of our students designed their own shirt and later in the week Marta kindly volunteered to use her Cricket to cut out lettering and iron on 'SMT' to each of the shirts. We are asking our students to wear their tie-dyed shirt on **Friday, September 24th** for a Tie Dye theme day!



Butterfly

Last Friday Ms. McEnery brought in a chrysalis that she had found when piling wood at home. Our Grade 1 students immediately knew it had a monarch in it because the chrysalis was almost ready to open and was transparent enough to see the orange and black colouring through. Unfortunately, it did not open that day, but it did the next morning and the butterfly flew away! We have one more chrysalis that is still green that we hope students will get to watch open this week as they continue to work on our butterfly inquiry.

