

GRADE 5/6 NEWS

WELCOME OCTOBER!

Crisp fall leaves, a rainy day here and there, chilly nights snuggled under the blankets – October is here!

We have a very busy month ahead with lots of wonderful learning opportunities!

We have been working our way through the book *DogMan ~ For Whom the Ball Rolls* by Dav Pilkey. *DogMan* is a series of very appealing graphic novels and we are looking forward to comparing the theatrical presentation with the book. Our class will be travelling to the Grand Theatre in Kingston on October 7 to see *DogMan* brought to life on stage. A

gentle reminder that we will be returning to the school at 4 p.m., so students will have to be picked up as we will not be back in time for buses. Our paragraph of the week activities continue in Language, as we work on developing strong, detailed sentences in our writing. Our Mathematics focus moves to number sense in October particularly quantity. Our Grade 5s are progressing through Property and Changes in Matter and our Grade 6s continue to explore Space in Science studies. We wrap up soccer this month and move on to volleyball and cooperative games in Phys Ed. We will also be exploring healthy eating practices – very timely with Hallowe'en on the horizon. Student Vote will feature prominently in our Social Studies activities during October as we explore the rights and responsibilities of voters in Canada, with a special focus on our upcoming federal elections. We will be having an actual vote here at Sacred Heart which we will be comparing to national voting results. For more information about this interesting and informative program, please visit www.civix.ca. From October 24th to November 6, we will enjoy the privilege of the use of a WWII discovery box from the Canadian War Museum. Filled with artefacts and replica materials from WWII, these materials will help us to learn about Canada's contribution to events on the world stage.

Scholastic book orders are coming home this week. Please use the online payment system set up by Scholastic when placing your orders. Orders are due Oct. 16th.

Please keep an eye on *Remind* for important information about our class activities, as well as our school website. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a blessed and bountiful Thanksgiving.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

October 4	Grade 6 Witness Faith Day
October 7	Gr. 3/4 & 5/6 trip to DogMan *pickup 4 p.m.
October 10	Anthony's Birthday
October 15	Mass – our class reads Medical Plans & IEPs go home
October 18	Jane's Birthday
October 31	Hallowe'en
November 1	P/A Day

MONTH OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

October is the month of the Most Holy Rosary. Consider taking some time to say the rosary as a family or to say one decat a day during the week this month. Our Mother Mary loves us with all Her heart and is closer to Jesus than anyone. Her intercession on our behalf is one of the greatest treasures we receive.