



St. Martin of Tours Catholic School

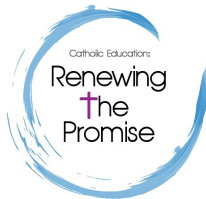


Newsletter—April 30, 2018

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CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK



As we move into May, I would like to share with our parent community that we will be celebrating Catholic Education Week from May 7th-11th. This year's theme is "Renewing the Promise", which comes from Acts 2:39, "For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." We have many wonderful events being planned for this week and will send more information home in the coming days.

Stephen Tod, Vice Principal

BEACONS OF HOPE RECIPIENT

Congratulations to our 2018 Beacon of Hope Award, Kaden:

The *Beacon of Hope Award* is given to an individual that encourages those around him to be their best selves by actively modelling kindness and discipleship in all facets of their life—at school, at home and in our Parish community. Through your continued contributions of time and energy that you commit towards our school and Parish community, I am delighted to announce that you are the successful candidate for this year's *Beacon of Hope Award*. As I have come to know you throughout this past school year, I can readily recognize the impact you have on our community. Each day you strive to support your classmates, both in and out of the classroom. You are quick to volunteer time and energy towards in-class initiatives, such as seeing the success of our Tower Garden, and you support your peers in striving towards these goals. Your contributions to our school leadership team, FeWL, further demonstrates your desire to see all students' needs, from both St. Martin of Tours C.S. and Whitney Public School, embraced in unity and inclusivity. Both in and out of school, your continued commitment towards our Faith shows your conviction and trust in the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. By volunteering your recess times to support the goals of these groups you have proven yourself to be a dedicated school leader, who strives to support the academic and faith journeys of all students. Throughout this school year I have watched you become a student that others look up to for support. You uphold the values of our classroom expectations in a manner that expressed maturity, and an aim to see others meet these standards. You are quick to share ideas, work with others, and are willing to take a leadership role in groups when the opportunity arises. Your academic attitude and enthusiasm makes you a student that others can, and do, learn from in a variety of ways. I could not think of a better student to represent our school, and our classroom, as the recipient of the *Beacon of Hope Award* for 2018. For all that you do, you have sincere thanks and appreciation from all student and staff of St. Martin of Tours Catholic School.

(Written by Ms. Balemba, Grade 5-8 Classroom Teacher)

HUMBOLDT STRONG



St. Martin of Tours students posted this photo on Twitter with the caption, "From small town Ontario to small town Saskatchewan. We're wearing our jerseys and keeping our sticks out for you #humboldtstrong. Keeping you in our prayers and sending love and light your way." / SUBMITTED



@alcdsb_marn * April 18th

Sending on-going love, prayers and support to the @humboldtBroncos. Huge thanks to Baeden from Welk Electric for inviting our students and staff to share what's in our hearts to the families and communities impacted by this tragedy. #HumboldtStrong @ALCDSB

MATH IS FUN



From @MsBalemba *April 19

Wahoo! We have written some amazing persuasive letters to local organizations requesting support for our upcoming build project. Students are truly invested in this hands-on math learning opportunity (and this teacher loves that it connects literacy too!). @ALCDSB #mathisfun

CONSERVATION PRESENTATION



From @alcdsb_marn *April 20

Thank you to Buck Miller who came to speak about his trip across Algonquin Park in February.

We also had a chance to share ideas about conservation.

Lots of questions and some future trekkers in the audience. @Algonquin_PP @ALCDSB #conservation



PINK DAY

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On April 11th staff and students from St. Martin of Tours and Whitney Public School wore pink in honour of Pink Shirt Day. We all stand together in an effort to stop bullying.

SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY



We will be having a “School Spirit Day” on WEDNESDAY, MAY 9th. Students and staff are encouraged to wear their Team Colours (Blue Footed Birdies; Green Kittens, Camo Raptors or Pink Wolverines) and earn points for their team.

If you are not sure which team you are on, check the Team Spirit Board in the hall.

SCHOOL MASS—MAY 16



Please join us for our school Mass on WEDNESDAY, MAY 16th at 11:00 a.m.

All are Welcome!

WHY LEARN FRENCH

**Learning French is
Fun!**

“It’s like a secret language that everyone in my class can speak. I like it.”

Ethan, ALCDSB Grade 3 Student

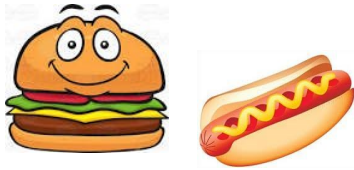
UPCOMING EVENTS



GRADE 8 & SENIOR KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION PHOTOS

will be taken on MAY 11th in the a.m.

BBQ HAMBURGER AND HOT DOG DAY



We are planning a BBQ HAMBURGER & HOT DOG DAY for our students on THURSDAY, MAY 17th.

Order forms will be going home the second week of May (prices to be determined). Please consider using the CASH ONLINE system for your purchase.



FRIDAY, MAY 18th is a designated PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY. Teachers will be involved in report card preparation.

MONDAY, MAY 21st is the VICTORIA DAY HOLIDAY

Education Quality and
Accountability Office



The Grade 6 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics will be conducted over a three day period—MAY 22nd, 23rd & 24th.

Parents are asked to please refrain from making any appointments during this time.



On MAY 23rd, the Grade 5, 7 & 8 Students will be participating in a FORESTRY DAY. Details to follow.



Our Grade 4 to 8 Students will be participating in the annual TRACK & FIELD DAY at York River Public School on MAY 29th (raindate is May 30th). Permission forms and additional information will be forthcoming.

