



St. Martin Of Tours Catholic School Newsletter October 31, 2017

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NEWSLETTER: We will be producing a newsletter every second Tuesday beginning September 19th. 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.

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 do not drop them off before 8:30 a.m.

Important News:



We at St. Martin of Tours would like to take this opportunity to give a warm goodbye to one of our fellow staff members. Since 2005, Rhonda McLean has been a fixture in the front office as Administrative Assistant. She has accepted a position elsewhere in the board and will be missed by staff and students.

Rhonda's final day at St. Martin of Tours will be November 3rd. She has been a blessing to each and every one of us here at the school and we all wish her well and best of luck in her next stage in life.

School Mass:

We will be having our first school Mass on November 7th at 11:00am at St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church. All parents/guardians and community members are welcome to join us in the celebration.



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GYMNASIUM READY FOR SCHOOL USE: As of this week, the school gym is now ready for student and school use. As the weather turns cooler, physical education will be moving indoors. With this, we are asking all students have a pair of **NON-MARKING, INDOOR SHOES** which they can wear during this time and the entire school day.



As well, with wet weather and snow coming, outdoor shoes/boots will be taken off when students 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.



WARM CLOTHING: With days becoming cooler and winter coming quicker, students should be dressing appropriately for conditions. There is no supervision indoors during recess so we are unable to allow students in during those times.

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 LUNCHESES: 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!

LOST AND FOUND: There is a collection of lost and found items at the office. If you notice any pieces of clothing missing, please come by the school and see if it has been added to the lost and found box.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

STUDENT PICTURE DAY: Our student photos were taken on Tuesday, October 24th. Retakes are scheduled for November 13th.

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.

50/50 TICKETS: The St. Martin of Tours Catholic School Council will once again be holding a 50/50 ticket draw this December. Each student is asked to sell 6 books of tickets with 10 tickets in each of them. The tickets will be \$1 each. You must be 18 years or older to purchase tickets. Do not buy tickets in your child(ren)'s name. Tickets will be sent home this week.



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.alcddb.on.ca/Board/Pages/Foundation.aspx>