

# St. Martin of Tours Catholic School

## Newsletter

### November 2, 2021



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#### ALCDSB Adult Volunteer of 2020-2021

Congratulations to Kelli Nicholas on receiving the “Adult Volunteer of the Year 2020-2021” award and plaque. We are so grateful for her many years of hard work (2 decades!) in our school and school community and look forward to working with her in the future in the community.



#### Remembrance Day Service



Students and staff of St. Martin of Tours are working hard to put together a virtual presentation for families and members of the community to watch from the safety of their homes as we are not able to gather again this year. We hope everyone can take a few moments to view our virtual service on November 11<sup>th</sup> and join us in a moment of silence.

#### Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraiser

WOW! What a huge success we had with Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraising again this year! Thank you to everyone involved in getting orders, to Ms. Walczak, Mr. Wannamaker, and Ben Etmanski for working so hard to organize orders when they were delivered, and to everyone who picked up orders and delivered to our “customers” in a quick manner! We have our Top Seller, Ryder Aleck-Haskin, shown below with his HUGE mountain of pizza kits! Way to go everyone! We are grateful to Food For Learning for providing us with a brand new stand up freezer. With this new appliance in our school, we were able to order a few extra kits to be able to offer hot lunches on occasion to students as well. Please keep an eye and ear out for those details!



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## Haunted House

Thank you to Mr. Wannamaker for helping the students in our primary room with making their haunted house! They enjoyed decorating and getting the room set up for Halloween!



## Picture Retakes



Picture retakes are scheduled for **Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Please let us know as soon as possible if you are interested in getting your child/ren's retakes done so we can notify the photographer in advance.

## Enjoying the Weather

Students went for a walk on Thursday, October 28 to visit Whitney's famous shoe tree.



## Breakfast Program

We are looking for parent volunteers to help in the mornings with the breakfast program. We can now have parents who are double vaccinated, who would be willing to send an attestation and proof of vaccination to the School Board, come into in the building to volunteer. Please let us know if this is something you might be interested in!

## New Winter Gear!

Thank you to family friend of Mrs. Armstrong, Laurie Shewchuck, for hand-making new toques for our students! They are sure to be warm this winter with these thoughtful gifts!



## And the Beat Goes...

Our primary students have enjoyed learning to play different types of drums in music class! They have been learning to play O Canada along with our older students who have been practicing playing O Canada on the ukuleles!



## Health

The students researched and measured sugar in popular sweetened beverages. They recorded their findings and read labels to find hidden sugar words. They were very engaged working with lab partners, and it was a very enriching experience involving many steps: researching, measuring, converting units, reading, writing, communicating, collaborating, and investigating.



## STEM

For six weeks the children have been involved in live, virtual STEM Club (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) activities. Students have made parachutes, wind turbines, a space probe lander and done cryptography and explored finger printing.



## Director David DeSantis Visit

Thank you to Director of Education Director David DeSantis for coming to visit our school. We always enjoy his visits and the ability to show off our wonderful school!



## Superintendent Darcey French Visit

Thank you to Superintendent of School Effectiveness Darcey French for visiting our school again. We look forward to many visits and getting to know and working with Darcey in our school. Staff and students were so excited when we noticed he was wearing the custom SMT bow tie that we gifted him at his previous visit!



## Halloween Fun Day!

Students and staff had the opportunity to dress up in their Halloween costumes on Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. We enjoyed a variety of Halloween activities, crafts and games. We always enjoy seeing students dressed up in the costumes and see the excitement in their faces when they participate in fun Halloween activities.

