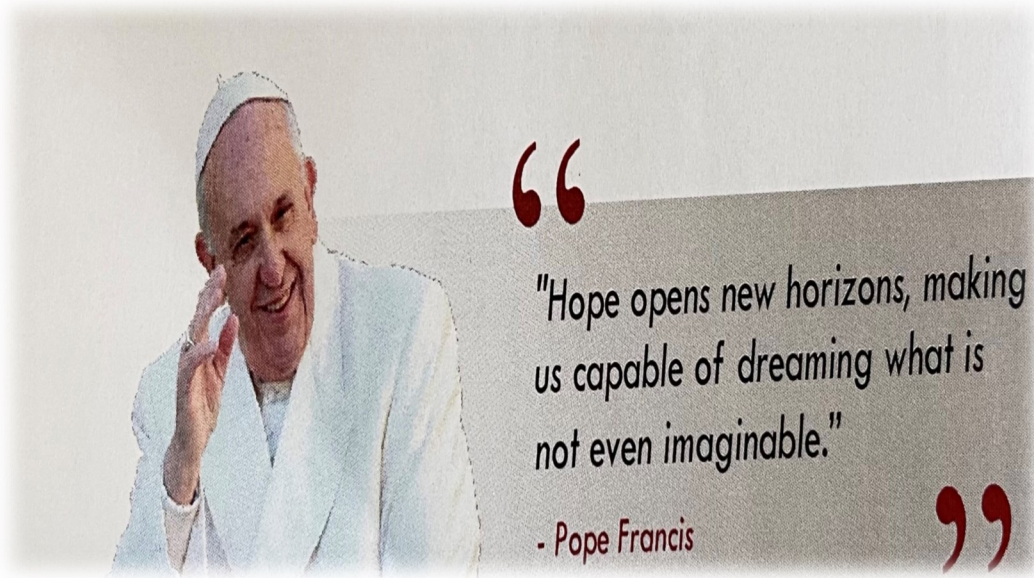


ST. HELEN'S NEWSLETTER

February 2021



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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I Hope your holidays were filled with wonderful memories of family, friends and good health! Today, our Grade 5A class led the first beautiful Mass of the year. As a school we continue to follow Jesus' teaching which is to walk with Jesus, our living hope. We are excited to be back to school serving our students and community.

Registration packages for the 2021/2022 school year will be distributed to all returning in-school families at the end of January. More information regarding registration will be emailed out soon. Our AGM will take place on February 2nd at 7:00pm on zoom. All parents must register their children by Feb 2nd or sooner. If you do not register, your spot will be given to a new family due to high demand.

Sincerely in Christ,

Waldemar Sambor

Principal

FEBRUARY

- FEB 2** **AGM @ 7:00 PM —(ON ZOOM)**
- FEB 5** **GRADE 3 GRANDPARENTS TEA (ON ZOOM)**
- FEB 10** **RED DAY FOR VALENTINES (NON UNIFORM DAY)**
- FEB 11** **NO SCHOOL (PRO D DAY)**
- FEB 12** **NO SCHOOL (PRO D DAY)**
- FEB 15** **NO SCHOOL (FAMILY DAY)**
- FEB 16** **NO SCHOOL (PRO D DAY)**
- FEB 24** **PINK DAY FOR ANTI BULLYING (NON UNIFORM DAY)**
- FEB 25** **STUDENT LED CONFERENCES (MORE INFO TBD)**
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT—(TBA)

On Jan 15th the Gr. 7 classes will be organizing black shirt day. We are asking all students to wear a black shirt. This is an important step in raising awareness of the ongoing struggle for civil and human rights faced by Black and racialized Canadians, and help foster solidarity against all forms of racism and hate” - Anti- Racism Coalition.



B.C.'s provincial health officer extended the ban on social gatherings for another month on Thursday, as the province recorded 761 new cases of COVID-19 on Jan 7th.

Dr. Bonnie Henry said the current orders, including a ban on gatherings with people outside of one's immediate household, will continue to apply until at least Feb. 5 at midnight.

AGM Information

- Our Annual General Meeting will be taking place on Tuesday, February 2nd at 7:00 pm. This year's meeting will be on zoom. More information to come soon.
- If you have any **outstanding fees** your registration will not be accepted at the office.
- Only fully completed registration packages will be taken, if anything is missing it will be handed back to you to complete and returned asap.
- A late fee of \$50 will be **strictly enforced** if packages are handed in after Friday, February 5th

Permission Authorizing the Use of EFT Payments (Pre authorized debit PAD) for Incidental Fees Charged by a School (CISVA procedures)

St. Helen's will continue to use electronic fund transfers to collect incidental fees from families. In practical terms what this means is that when the school notifies you of an incidental fee for your child, these funds will be debited directly from your bank account by the school. We are substantially reducing the schools overhead of collecting cash and cheques.

Note that St. Helen's will only withdraw the specified amount after first having notified you of the amount and purpose. This notification will be sent to you by email at least 10 days before the debit is scheduled to be taken from your account.

COMPUTERS FOR SALE

We are in the process of updating our computer lab and redesigning the area to accommodate STEM curriculum which covers science, technology, engineering and mathematics. If anyone is interested in purchasing well kept working equipment, contact the school office. All money will go towards the purchase of our STEM program.

1) HP ProDesk 400 G1 MT,

Mini Tower form factor

Intel Core I3 3.4 GHz processor (dual core)

4GB of DDR3 memory

500GB SATA hard drive

DVD writer drive

Gigabit Ethernet

Intel HD 4400 graphics

HD audio

CloudReady Operating System



2) HP Pro 6300

Small Desktop form factor

Intel Core I3 3.3 GHz processor (dual core)

4GB of DDR3 memory

500GB SATA hard drive

DVD writer drive

Gigabit Ethernet

Intel HD 2500 graphics

HD audio

CloudReady Operating System



We will sell these for \$50-\$75 each and include a monitor, keyboard & mouse.

SEARCHERS VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

We hope you enjoyed this years Christmas concert. If you have not watched the concert on YouTube, please view it here. <https://youtu.be/DjmaqSmvzWg>

Donations to our charitable impact page can be made at <https://m.charitableimpact.com/67Fs>
So far, we have raised \$3,200 and have had over 2000 previews to date. Thanks again to Mrs. Ivanovic and all the searchers who shone bright!



An interactive virtual tour of our school will be coming soon & will be posted on our website for prospective families. Most of our new students come from referrals from current families. Thank you for all your support and sharing your children's school experience with your friends and family.

SEARCHERS HISTORY

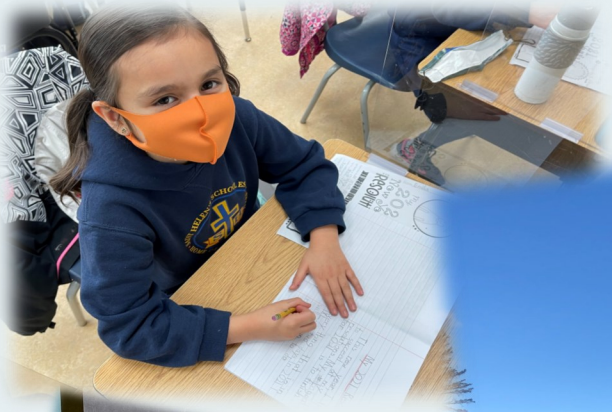
Starting Sept of 2023—June 2024 we will be celebrating our 100th anniversary of our school. We are in the process of collecting memorabilia, photos and stories from anyone who attended our school between 1923-1946. If you have anything to contribute, please forward it to the school office at secretary@shschool.ca



St. Helen's School 1928 / Crowing of Mary

The church and school were built on the corner of Pandora & Ingleton Street.

SEARCHERS SNAPSHOTS



This year I will spread God's Love by bringing a smile to those who look sad. It is important to spread God's love because people may forget about God and the love he has for us. I will keep my promise to help people by talking to them and spending time with them. I will do this at school all year long. God wants us to love others just as we love ourselves because we are all the same but our souls are unique.



PERSONAL BEST



Grade 1

Ansh Dsouza

Malia Quashie

Ada Secchiati

Grade 3B

Marko Arbulic

Eva Mariella

Grade 5B

Marta Pizzolato

Alessandra Barichello

Alyssa Lepore

Grade 7A

Jasmine Ciccone

Eliana Medina

Grade KA

Frederick Lee

Mila Cirillo

Grade 2

Joey Skoko

Milania Russo

Mark Kram

Grade 4

Jake Drlje

Gianluca Mauro

Grade 6A

Brandon Kim

Kirsten Puzon

Jenaya Wong

Grade 7B

Tereza Erlic

Elijah Clarke

Grade KB

Sierra Garcia

Jayden Hall

Grade 3A

Ryder Ruic

Alexis Ross

Grade 5A

Calista De Zen

Ellie Perizzolo

Nayaana Sodhi

Sebastian Damy

Grade 6B

Isabella Clark

Lily Perozzo

