

Vice Principal : Mr. Waldemar Sambo



Dear Parents,

Thank you to all our parents who were able to attend our Open House last month. We appreciate that you took the time to pray with staff at the commissioning celebration in addition to learning about the various educational opportunities that your child will have this school year.

We also held our Annual Walk-A-Thon this past Wednesday. This event is our major fundraiser for the year. Over the past years we have been able to purchase much up-to-date educational tools and materials for the school's growing needs. Let's continue to make this one the most successful year yet! Pledges will continue to be accepted up until the Thanksgiving Day weekend. Please note that you can donate online using the CHIMP website. It is located on the front page of our school website in blue reading "donate online powered by chimp". **(please ensure that you put your child's full name and grade)**

This month our teachers will be preparing our students to celebrate Thanksgiving. We encourage you as a family to pray and help those who need it the most. Celebrating Thanksgiving challenges us to move beyond being thankful to having an active concern for the poor. The poor teach us the true meaning of gratitude. Those who seemingly have nothing can pray as though God has given them everything, that is faith. How can we make other people's Thanksgivings special? Who would benefit from extra attention at Thanksgiving? Give your child the opportunity to name what they are grateful for and to ask God to help the less fortunate.

"Take care of God's creation. But above all, take care of people in need." ~ Pope Francis

Sincerely in Christ, Waldemar Sambor

October Highlights

Oct 1st	Gr. 6 Vaccinations
Oct 1-9th	FSA's (Gr.2 &7)
Oct 3rd	CISVA Track Meet
Oct 4th	Blessing of Pets
Oct 5th	No school-Pro D Day
Oct 8th	No school-Thanksgiving
Oct 12th	ND Volleyball Jamboree
Oct 12th	School Mass (Gr.3B)
Oct 13th	Enrollment Mass
	(Gr. 2& 7)
Oct 22nd	Sacrament Mtg.
	(Gr.2 & 7—7pm)
Oct 26th	School Mass (Gr.7B)
Oct 26th	Family Night
Oct 31st	Fall Fiesta –Halloween

refer to our <u>online calendar</u> for further events & information. You may also download our <u>school app</u>.

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Walkathon

"A Walk Through the Heights"

We are still accepting pledges for our annual walkathon. Our goal is to help the fundraising committee raise at least \$30,000. All proceeds will go towards our Outdoor Education and Fine Arts Programs. We hope that each family will participate in the walk-a-thon to the best of their ability. If each child raises \$100, we will achieve our goal. Thank you for your continued support!

Family Night

Friday October 26th. Doors open at 6:30 pm.

Come join us for a fun-filled family evening! The PAC committee is asking for your help to make the St Helen's Family Night event a big success.

Fall Fiesta

Wednesday, October 31st, the children are invited to wear their costumes to school and we would like to remind parents to be sure that these costumes are both **safe and appropriate for a Catholic Elementary School.** In particular, we remind you that, in the interest of safety, **weapons are not allowed in the school.** As usual, **all fireworks are strictly prohibited.**

> Primary Assembly will begin at 9:15 am Intermediate Assembly will begin at 11 am



Scenes from this year's "A Walk Through the Heights"<u>Walk A Thon 2018</u>









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LATE OR ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

We ask for your cooperation in notifying the school by **9:00 AM** if your child is going to be late or absent. It is important that your children arrive to school on time so that they begin the day with everyone in their class on time for morning prayer.

Notes are required by the Ministry of Education. Notes may be sent via email to secretary@shschool.ca or via our <u>St. Helen's app.</u> **Simply go to School info, Absence by Grade, and then fill form and submit.**

Special Thank you to Mr. Mobilio, our project coordinator, Mr. Merandi, Nelson Sentieiro, Diego Campanile, Bruno Raffele, and Derek Bosa who helped pour concrete. This are will be utilized for Shot put, long jump, box soccer and garden area. The grass will be seeded next week. We are going to need more helpers to set up the garden soon. Gr. 3 teachers will contact you. Please view the link for more photos on this project. Construction



HOT LUNCH & FOODIE KIDS PROGRAMS

Our Hot Lunch and Foodie Kids programs are successfully up and running. Starting in October, Foodie Kids will no longer be supplying utensils for students. We are asking all parents to please provide forks and spoons for their children going forward.

THANK YOU

To all our students and parents for supporting our Annual Book Fair! We sold almost \$5000 in product!!!Mrs. Erlic would also like to extend her gratitude to the parent, student, and teacher volunteers who offered their assistance to help make this a successful book fair!

To all students and parents who participated in our Annual Terry Fox Run. Thank you to all families who donated to this important cause.



Let us care for others by helping those in need. Please bring your food items by Sunday, October 7th to the Church.



Kindergarten: Children's healthy snacks (granola bars, fruit-to-go) Grade 1: juice (1L cartons, juice boxes) Grade 2: pasta sauce, pasta, macaroni & cheese Grade 3: canned soup, canned vegetables, canned fruit Grade 4: canned tuna, canned salmon, canned ham Grade 5: oatmeal, cereal, powdered milk Grade 6: mashed / scalloped potatoes, stuffing, rice Grade 7: salt, sugar, soap

> Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned. ~ St. Francis of Assisi

Searchers Personal Best

The following students are recognized for their efforts in the published class work:



Grade K

Katerina Banicevic Harrison Barnard Mason Boal

Grade 1

Olivia Ciccone Maxim Sablic—Bastable Sandy Xu Luca Artuso

Grade 2

Christian Banicevic Matteo Troisi Grace Lacoursiere Grade 3A

Marcus Zamprogno Sienna La Chimea Ana Erlic Grade 3B

Valentino Crudo Alessandra Barichello

Grade 4A

Maddex Auchter Jeremy Lemon Andrea Saligumba Grade 4B

Annie Kwok Lily Perozzo Grade 5A

Julia Kalamkarian Paolo Di Fluri Alessandro Troisi

Grade 5B

Tereza Erlic Stefania Cirotto Marina Shaback Grade 6A

Claudia Yoon Carmen Flowers Pablo Lenero-Perez Grade 6B

Aubrey Tran Cici Xu Sofia Dehlic

Grade 7A

Anabela Custodio Paris Iorizzo Mia Lecce Grade 7B

Danika Sigur Almeira Agustin



"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better." ~ Maya Angelou



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