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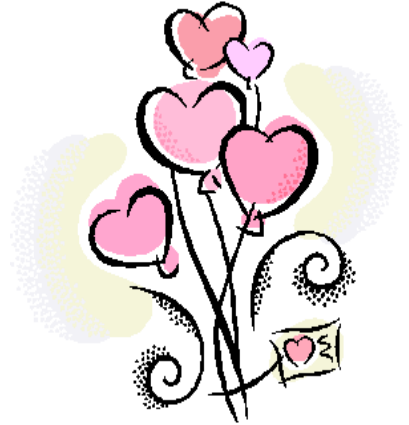
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FEBRUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER

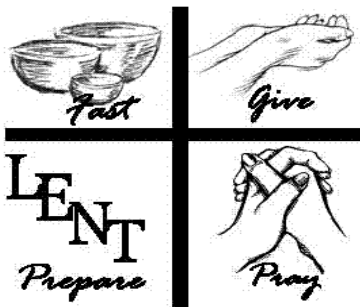
Dear Parents/Guardians,

At a special meeting of the board on Tuesday, January 20th, I was appointed to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Education effective February 17th, 2015. As such, my last day as Principal of St. Augustine Catholic Elementary School will be on Friday, February 13th. I have truly enjoyed my time here serving you in my role as a leader in Catholic education. It has been an honour and a privilege. Thank you for your kind words of congratulations and appreciation. I have been blessed to have the opportunity to grow with this school community where parish, home and school work together in harmony. Last evening, the board appointed a new Principal, Mr. Marc Trotta. He comes from the St. Matthew School community. We welcome him.



*Yours in Catholic Education,
 Mrs. S. Scime*

LENTEN PRAYER



Almighty and Everlasting God,
 You have given the human race
 Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of humility.
 He fulfilled Your Will by becoming Man
 And giving His life on the Cross.
 Help us to bear witness to You
 By following His example of suffering
 And make us worthy to share in His Resurrection.
 We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son.
 Amen

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to all the Grade 2 students who will take part in their First Reconciliation Ceremony on Saturday, Saturday, February 21, 2015. Special thanks to Father Bob for his time and guidance. His visibility and presence in our classrooms is always appreciated.

ASH WEDNESDAY

There will be an Ash Wednesday Service on February 18, 2015 at 9:00 am. All parents/guardians are welcome.

FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registrations will take place

February 2 – February 12, 2015

Junior Kindergarten: Child must be 4 years of age by Dec 31, 2015.

Senior Kindergarten: Child must be 5 years of age by Dec. 31, 2015.

It is not necessary to re-Register students who are presently attending JK Classes.

Birth & Baptismal Certificates: For verification, we will require your child's Birth & Baptismal Certificate, which we will copy and return to you immediately.

Tax Form: If you already have a child in St. Augustine School, a new form is not necessary unless you have recently moved.

Separate School Lease: Necessary to accompany the tax forms if one parent is Non-Catholic. Both parents must sign this.

Immunization Record: Re: Immunization of School Pupils Act, 1982: This act requires that records be maintained an immunization status of each school student under the age of 18 years.

Please call the school office (905 523-2338) to book an appointment.



STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

We look forward to holding our annual St. Valentine's Day Cake Raffle on Friday, February 13, 2015. We are asking for your help to raise school spirit and contribute to the draw by donating a nut-free cake, cupcakes or cookies. **Please remember that they must not contain nuts.** Cakes should also be brought in a cardboard box that will allow students to easily carry them home. Tickets will begin to be sold the week of February 3rd for 25 cents each or 5 for \$1.00. Cakes will be divided amount the FDK – Grade 8 classes in order to ensure an even distribution of winners. The draw will be limited to one cake per student so that as many as possible will have a chance to win a yummy treat. Finally, students are invited to come to school on February 13th wearing red, white and pink and all their favourite Valentine accessories.



SCIENCE FAIR

Congratulations to all the students who exhibited their Science Fair projects at the annual St. Augustine Science Fair on January 28th, 2015. The school proudly congratulates all of the students who submitted a project. Many of the students will represent our school at the HWCDSB System Science Fair on Saturday, February 28, 2015 at Bishop Ryan Catholic Secondary School. Sixteen of our students will be attending BASEF.



We congratulate all the Science Fair participants for their hard work, determination and enthusiasm. A thank you is extended to all the students, parents, volunteer judges and teachers who volunteered their time to help make the Science Fair a success. A special thank you to Mrs. Walker for her continued support and assistance. Also special thanks to Mr. Burgio, Mrs. Novak, Mrs. Glavic and Mrs. Grant who organized the St. Augustine School Science Fair.



1ST TERM REPORT CARDS 1st Term Report Cards go home on Tuesday, February 11th, 2015. Please read the report card carefully. Page 4 outlines the different marking scheme used for reporting. Please sign and return the report card to your child's classroom teacher. This document goes into your child's OSR (Ontario Student Record). We ask that you return the report card as soon as possible.

SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to the Junior Boys on a fantastic season! They played excellent and showed great sportsmanship! After a successful play-off weekend at Cathedral Secondary School the boys made it to the finals which will be held on Monday, February 9, 2015 - 6:15 p.m. at St. Matthew's Elementary School.

SOCIAL NETWORKING SAFETY



**Does Your Child Have:
An iPod, iPad, Android, Xbox, PSP,
Social Media, or Access to the Internet?
Then Please Join Us:**

Thursday, February 5th, 2015 - 7:00-8:30pm at St. Augustine CES

Social Networking Safety with Paul Davis

RUN4CHANGE

St. Augustine goes **GREEN** for change!

Staff and students kicked off the 20/20 Run4Change fitness challenge this past Friday, January 16th with a *super* motivated student council and special guest Sylvia Ruegger, a former Olympian and the Canadian woman's marathon record holder.

Students and staff at St. Augustine have geared up to participate in 20 minutes of fitness training daily in preparation for the 2015 Run4Change 5K run on Wednesday, May 13th, 2015 at Bay Front Park.

Not only are the students getting physically fit and stimulating their minds they are raising funds to empower kids in Hamilton impacted by poverty. Funds raised will support many of the initiatives Start2Finish Run4Change addresses in our local community and aid in their mission to break the cycle of poverty of children in Canada.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

On Pancake Tuesday, February 17th the Catholic School Council will be providing pancakes for all students. This event requires many volunteers to make it a success and we would appreciate your help. Please bring along your electric griddle, mixing bowls and flippers. We will be getting started early this year and will be finished at lunch time, so plan to arrive around 8:30am.

This event will take place in the gym. All pancakes will be served prior to the lunch period, so your child may require a lunch.

If you can help, please contact Donna Faria Sienna at Donna.Sienna@gmail.com or 905-628-4611. We are also accepting monetary donations at the school to help cover costs. Please advise if there are any food allergies or concerns.



SAVE THE DATE!!

St. Augustine's Catholic School Council's



Toonie and Silent Auction

Saturday, April 18, 2015, 7:00pm

Tickets are \$15.00 each and will be available soon!

This is a great night for some fun, many great prizes to be won, music, food and drinks! Invite your family and friends! Contact the school office at 905 523-2338 or Lori Fraser at 905 628-9145 for more information or to donate a prize to the auction. Hope to see you there!

Our next School Council meeting is Monday, February 23, 2015 at 6:45pm in the school Library. All are welcome!!

VIRTUE OF MONTH

The following students are recognized for their demonstration of *Self-Control* in the month of January.

Mrs. Woloszyn/Miss MacFarlane – Capri S.

Mrs. MacCabe-Freeman/Ms. Mandarino – Arianna D.

Mr. Havers – Mark W.

Mr. Hewitson – Mia O.

Mrs. MacEachern – Lexie M.

Mrs. Bury – Daniella L.

Ms. Cornale – Kendra F.

Mrs. Harold – Nolan S.

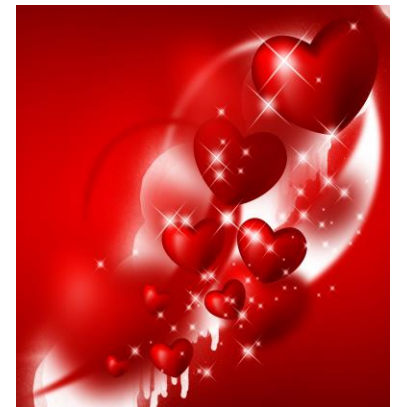
Miss Filice – Adam J.

Mrs. Grant/Mrs. Hall – Olivia C.

Mrs. Glavic – Sangeeth A.

Mr. Burgio – Stuart B.

Miss Novak- Chelsa K.



TASTEBUDS NUTRITION PROGRAM

Our school will be beginning a student nutrition program.

Students will be 'sprouting healthy relationship with food' on Wednesday and Friday.

Stay tuned for more details and start date.