

# The Wildcat Gazette

ST. ANNE SCHOOL - NEWSLETTER

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012

## HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

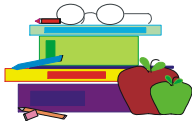
### A Message from the Principal...

The EQAO Gr. 3 and 6 Provincial Assessment for Reading, Writing and Mathematics will be held from May 28<sup>th</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup>, inclusive at our school. It is important that the students come to school well rested and on time. Nutritious snacks will be provided. Please make every effort to have your child at school!

We will also be completing the Intermediate (Gr. 8) Math assessment during that week so the school should be quiet as a mouse!

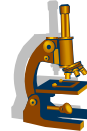
May is a busy month with the first week being Mental Health week, the 2<sup>nd</sup> week is Education week and it has both Mothers day and Victoria day weekend. Be sure to check the attached calendar to keep abreast of the many events we have planned.

Have a Happy Mother's day and a restful and safe "May Run" weekend.



Mrs. Pichette  
Principal ☺

**SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING**  
(Organizing Bottle Drive)  
May 16, 2012 in the library at 4 pm



### SCIENCE FAIR

Congratulations to MacKenzie and Montana Dube for winning bronze at the regional science fair, while Amanda Mongeon brought home a silver medal. Way to go girls!



### FOCUS ON FAITH

The week of **May 6-12** is **Catholic Education Week**. As you know, Education Week is a time set aside each year to encourage parents/guardians, the Parish and the public to see Faith in education at work. We have daily themes which you will see noted on a special calendar which will be sent home highlighting the daily activities for this special week where we celebrate our education in the Catholic faith.

We have endeavoured to have activities that are in keeping with our monthly virtues and Catholic themes.

In addition, each school highlights how they celebrate our monthly virtue and St. Anne's is highlighting May's virtue of Humility for the Board display.



## HEALTHY EATING

Once again, we are asking parents to re-evaluate what they send children for snacks and lunches. Of late, many children are bringing snacks and lunch items high in sugar or fat (chocolate, fruit roll-ups, dunkaroos, potato chips, etc.). Please limit these items to occasional treats. There are healthy alternatives out there; consider fruits and vegetables, granola bars, fruit or yogurt cups, cheese and crackers, bits and bites, etc. Keep in mind that we ask children to save items that need a utensil for lunch, as children eat while they continue working. **Pop, chocolate bars and chips are strictly prohibited** and will be returned home with them at the end of the day. Good habits start young, and we only want the best for your children!

Please be reminded that parking is prohibited in front of the school at bus times: 8:30 – 9:00 am  
3:15 – 3:45 pm  
The city bylaw officers will be enforcing this safety rule so please abide by it. The children line up in the parking lot, so this is also off limits. Please park across the street or past the school.



## SCHOOL HOURS

Please be reminded of the following times:

### **Morning Entry is at 8:35 a.m.**

This includes the Annex or “Little school” as there is no supervision before this time. If dropoffs continue prior to this time, all students will be required to be dropped off at the “Big school.”

### **Lunch is from 11:45-12:45 p.m.**

Students leaving for lunch are expected to do so promptly at 11:45 and to return by 12:40 to allow them time to prepare for the afternoon.

### **Dismissal is at 3:20 p.m.**

Once again, this includes the Annex or “Little school.” Picking up your child prior to this time causes disruptions in curriculum programs. If there is an appointment whereby your child requires earlier pickup, please notify the school secretary and arrangements will be made for your child to be picked up at the office in the “Big School.” If pick ups continue before 3:20, all students will be required to be picked up at the “Big School,” after the 3:20 bell unless we are otherwise notified.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.



## **BOTTLE DRIVE**

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

School council is planning a Bottle drive on Tuesday, **May 22** directly following the long weekend, from **4 – 7 pm**.

We need volunteers with trucks. The Gr. 5/6 students are expected to help with this to help offset the cost for their Science North trip. Any extra funds will be used for school activities.

Contributions can be made directly at the Beer store from May 1<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>. You must mention that you are donating your bottles to St. Anne's.

## **SOMEBODY SAID...**

Somebody said it takes about six weeks to get back to normal after you've had a baby.  
Somebody doesn't know that once you're a mother, "Normal," is history.

Somebody said you learn how to be a mother by instinct.  
Somebody never took a three-year-old shopping.

Somebody said being a mother is boring...  
Somebody never rode in a car driven by a teenager with a driver's permit.

Somebody said if you're a "good" mother, your child will "turn out good."  
Somebody thinks a child comes with directions and a guarantee.

Somebody said "good" mothers never raise their voices.  
Somebody never came out the back door just in time to see her child hit a golf ball through the neighbour's kitchen window.

Somebody said you don't need an education to be a mother.  
Somebody never helped a fourth grader with her math.

Somebody said you can't love the fifth child as much as you love the first.  
Somebody doesn't have five children.

Somebody said a mother can find all the answers to her child-rearing questions in the books.

Somebody never had a child stuff beans up his nose or in his ears.

Somebody said the hardest part of being a mother is labour and delivery...  
Somebody never watched her "baby" get on the bus for the first day of kindergarten...or on a plane headed for military boot camp.

Somebody said a mother can do her job with her eyes closed and one hand tied behind her back ...  
Somebody never organized four giggling Brownies to sell cookies.

Somebody said a mother can stop worrying after her child gets married...  
Somebody doesn't know that marriage adds a new son or daughter-in-law(s) to a mother's heart strings.

Somebody said a mother's job is done when her last child leaves home...  
Somebody never had grandchildren.

Somebody said your mother knows you love her, so you don't need to tell her...  
Somebody isn't a mother.

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**FOCUS ON STUDENT WORK:**  
JK-Gr. 1 French immersion