

The Wildcat Gazette

St. Anne - Newsletter



January 1, 2013

I wish a very Happy and Healthy New Year to everyone! It is hard to believe that Christmas is already over and we have begun our New Year! Our Christmas concerts were both well attended and a great success. Thanks to everyone who attended and those who worked hard to make the performances so wonderful. The calendar for January can be found with this newsletter. It outlines the activities we have planned for this month. Please note that skating continues for our students this month. Look carefully at the dates for each grade so you ensure that your child has his/her skates on the appropriate dates.



Mrs. Pichette

FOOD DRIVE/SILVER COLLECTION



We collected 192 non-perishable food items for the Friendly Warehouse and approximately three hundred dollars in our silver collection for the building of a new school in New Haven, Connecticut. Thanks to everyone for all of your donations.

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, Jan. 14, 2012 at 3:45 pm

Everyone welcome



PRINCIPAL LUNCHEON

We had our annual "Principal's luncheon" in December to thank our student helpers. Some students who help were left off of the list in our last Newsletter – Vivianna Corkhill, Terrance Booth, George Aucamp and Hannah Dugas.



FOCUS ON FAITH

Our monthly mass will be celebrated on January 24th at 1:30 pm at Sts. Martyrs Church. All parents and families are welcome to join us. Please review our virtue of the month – Fortitude (courage). With this in mind, keep the children and families from Sandy Hook Elementary school in your thoughts and prayers. They need fortitude to get through this tragic event and to heal. When you are waiting at the door for us to buzz you in – be thankful that we have the technology in place to keep your children safe and be patient as we identify you. It is for the safety of your child(ren). Let us continue to walk in Faith, not fear.

CAMPBELL'S LABELS



We continue to collect Campbell's labels, which enables us to receive free merchandise. Collect your own labels and ask friends, neighbours and family to help us out in this endeavour.

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TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY

We are waiting to hear how we fared with respect to this survey and the money! At last count, we were in first place with a 27 % participation rate from our parents. This is still very low! We need to hear from you in all of our endeavours – it helps us improve the school as we as partners see fit in our community.



REMEMBRANCE DAY LEGION POSTER AND WRITING CONTEST WINNERS

In random order, the winners of this contest were: Kian Dugas, Gavin Martel, Emilie Smith, Garrett Gelinas, Britney Crites, Cade Darrington, Hannah Dugas and Grace Parks. Congratulations to all!



WINTER REMINDERS

Please keep in mind with the cold weather here, that you ensure your child dresses warmly. For older students, please remind them that if they wear it to school (boots, hats, mitts), then they must wear it at recess! Being “cool” can be a safety risk if they don’t dress appropriately.

Children must go outside unless the temperature drops to -28 with the wind

chill factor. If your child is too sick to go outside or participate in school activities, they should remain at home until such time as they are healthy. We don’t want to pass on sickness to everyone!

Please also keep in mind that when buses are cancelled they are cancelled for the afternoon as well. If you drop your child at school in the morning on snow or ice days, you must also pick them up!



HEALTHY EATING

We have healthy snacks (fruits, vegetables, yogurt tubes) being served twice per week and smoothies once per week. As of January, we will also be starting a “Cup o’ soup” program once per week for lunch – using money from a promotion from Metro grocery stores with the soup being made by some students and staff.

In keeping with our push toward healthy eating, we are asking parents to re-evaluate what is being sent with children for snacks and lunches. Please limit items that contain a large amount of sugar or fat. Healthy alternatives include such items as fruits and vegetables, granola bars, fruit or yogurt cups, cheese and crackers, bits and bites, etc. 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!