

# September Newsletter



## WELCOME BACK

I hope that everyone had a great summer vacation! It is great to be back together again. To our returning families, it is an



honour to be able to continue working with you and your children. To our new families, welcome! We are blessed to have you join

our Catholic School Family.

I am excited for the upcoming 2018- 2019 academic year knowing that it is going to be filled with growth and learning. I am pleased to introduce you to our staff for this year.

# St. Patrick School "Awesome" STAFF

<u>JK/K/1 E-</u> Shelby Nadon <u>Grade 2/3/4 E-</u> Peggy Sirosky Grade 5/ 6 E- John Casonato Grade 7/8 E- Kelly Piche JK/K I- Lynne Demontigny Early Childhood Educator-Britny Tremblay Grade 2/3 I- Guy Lessard Grade 4/5/6 I- Pierre Dube Grade 7/8 I- Joelle Casonato Itinerant- Angelina Tremblay Resource- Shari Rusnak, Hannah Petrovic Educational Assistants- Sue Blanchard, Doriana Smokowich, Lynn O'Reilly Child and Youth Worker-Jason Rodrigue Secretary- Nora Davidson Custodians- Barry Shadd, Jacquie Masciole Lunchroom Supervisors- Lynn Sanford, Melissa Ward, Jason Rodrique

I am very excited and blessed to announce that **Shari Rusnak** will be our Acting Administrator on **Thursday** and **Friday**. She can be contacted at the school or through email at <u>srusnak@necdsb.ca</u>.



8:45 am- Classes Start
10:05 am- Morning Recess
11:30 am-12:30 pm- Lunch
1:40 pm- Afternoon Recess
3:15 pm- Dismissal

Please note that morning supervision only starts at 8:30 am.

## HOME SCHOOL COMMUNICATION



Please utilize your child's agenda as it facilitates and encourages home school communication. Please check your child's agenda nightly and send pertinent messages to your child's teacher through their agenda. Just a friendly reminder that an \$8.00 donation would be greatly appreciated.

In addition to the daily use of the agendas, the weekly communication folders will be sent home every Wednesday. Please complete your part of the tracking form, sign items which need to be returned to school, remove other items and return folder to school on Thursday. This is noted on your monthly calendar.

You can also access the newsletter and calendar on the Board website at <u>www.ncdsb.on.ca</u>. Just click on "Our Catholic Schools" and select St. Patrick, Kapuskasing. We also have a school Facebook page including other school information. If you are not already a member of this closed group and would like to join, simply request to join our group.

### SNACK and LUNCH PROGRAM

It is important to note that our nutrition programs don't start until October 2018. Please ensure that you pack ample snacks and a lunch for your child. We are also encouraging healthy eating throughout the school. Just a friendly reminder that we are a peanut free school.



### **INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS**



As a Catholic School Community, we are continuing our work with critical thinking. In Literacy, our focus is linking reading and writing starting with Recount. In Mathematics, we will be starting the year with Number Sense and Numeration. Our monthly virtue focus is Gratitude.

### SCHOOL OFFICE

It is very much appreciated if you could call the school if your child is going to be absent and/or if there are any changes to their regular school day. Advanced notice ensures the safety of our students.

As always, your support and understanding are greatly appreciated. Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions and/or concerns.

Yours in Catholic Education, *Andrea Iserhoff* Principal