

St. Jerome Journal

February 2014

A Valentine Prayer

I said a valentine prayer for you and asked the Lord above to fill your heart and bless your soul With the precious gift of love. I asked Him for sincere love, the kind that's meant to stay just like the generous love you give to those you touch each day. I prayed for love from family and from every cherished friend then I asked the Lord to give you His love that knows no end.



February's virtue is Temperance (Self Control)

God wants us to do what we know and feel is right. A person with self-control......

- Is patient
- Knows how to wait his/her turn
- Can calm him/herself down and think before reacting to situations
- Knows how to avoid physical aggression
- Can think things through

Self-Control helps us to resist the temptation to do something that we will regret. It also helps us to resist the temptation to do something that will harm ourselves or others. Each time you exercise self-control; you grow stronger in the Lord and invite peace to settle over your life.

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Report Cards

The report card for Term 1 will be going home on Wednesday, February 19th, 2014.

Please watch for them...

We are on the web: http://www.ncdsb.on.ca/

Junior Kindergarten Registration

Registration for the 2014-15 school year was held at all Northeastern Catholic District School Board



elementary schools on: Tuesday, January 28th, 2014. If you missed this date, please call the school at 705-567-5800 to make arrangements to

come in at a future date. Junior Kindergarten - Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31st, 2014 Parents/Guardians should bring the following documents when registering their child:

- ☐ Birth Certificate
- ☐ original Catholic Baptismal Certificate
- ☐ Immunization Record Please spread the word...

Subway Lunch



As part of our Healthy Foods awareness program we are offering a Subway Lunch to our students on Wednesday, February 26th. Please make sure that you have completed and turned in your order form.

Pink Shirt Day – Wednesday February 26th



Students are asked to wear pink on this day in order to raise awareness about Bullying, as it is a major problem in our schools, workplaces,

homes, and over the Internet. - See more at: http://www.pinkshirtday.ca

Volunteers

We are also in need of a few more volunteers for our snack program.

If you can donate an hour once or twice a month please call the school at 705-567-5800 and let us know.

Vulnerable Sector Check

In compliance with Ministry directives, a Vulnerable Sector Check is required if you wish to volunteer your services in the school. Copies of the forms are available in the office. A Vulnerable Sector Check will be required this year if you plan to volunteer for both in school and out of school activities.

Cold and Flu Season

Please use discretion in keeping your children home to recover if they are ill. A child who is coughing, wheezing, etc. is not in a state to learn and will only infect others. If a student is sent to school, it is assumed that they will participate in all aspects of the school day, including **outdoor recess**. We do not provide individual indoor supervision. We also remind parents to dress students for our weather conditions. We will be having outdoor recess, weather permitting, as much as possible. At all times, we follow the Board guidelines for inclement weather. The students enjoy going out, especially if they have their snowsuits, hats and mittens.

Student Information

It is most important that we have up-to-date records of your address, phone numbers, and emergency contacts in the event that the school must contact you regarding your child. If there have been any changes, please ensure that we have your most current information.

Rough Play

While outside during recess students sometimes find themselves engaging in inappropriate activities that involve rough play. Pushing, shoving, tackling, play fighting and wrestling are all unacceptable activities that compromise student safety. Please reinforce with your children the inherent dangers of rough play, even when the intent is fun.

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Website

Parents are encouraged to visit our website! The site is www.ncdsb.ca. Please take the time to check it out. All school information and parent information is on the site and updated regularly. All previous and current newsletters are on the site. Our web-site is another excellent tool to keep parents connected to what is happening at school.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next council meeting will be Wednesday, February 12th, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

We thank you for your continued support and generosity in helping to make our students' learning experiences the best that they can be!

Save the Date!

School Council is busy organizing their next fundraiser which will be Inflatable's at KLDCS on March 29th & 30th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please call the school if you are available to help out for a few hours for our newest fundraiser. Passes will be \$15.00 for the day. There will also be refreshments for sale.

Student Safety Reminder

Please do not block the laneway or drive through the laneway by the school. Student safety is a huge concern at drop-off and pick-up times.

Kirkland Lake Skating Club - Ice Show

Some classes will be attending the KLSC Ice Show on Friday, February 28th from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m.



Municipal Election 2014 Monday, October 27, 2014 Voting Information for Catholic Ratepayers

Protect and preserve Catholic education...Ensure you are registered to vote as a Catholic separate school supporter

- ◆ Ensuring you are registered as a separate school supporter is important for the protection and preservation of Catholic education in Ontario.
- ♦ As a registered Catholic school supporter, you have the opportunity to elect trustees who will represent and address your interests and concerns at the school board level and at various levels of the government.
- ♦ Registering your Catholic school support ensures your school board's assessment roll is accurate. This is important because:
- ♦ Your school board's assessment base is a public record of the breadth of support for Catholic schools
- It helps track demographic trends for educational planning purposes
- ♦ It guarantees your right to enroll your children in Catholic schools

How to check if you are registered: Call your Municipal Clerk's Office to inquire how to check the local list of electors.

If your name is not on the list of electors or if the information is incorrect (e.g., name, address or school support data missing or incorrect) you should:

- ♦ Go to the municipal offices for your community and fill out an application to be added to the list or to correct information. Proof of identification may be required. Please call your municipal office to determine what documentation you may need.
- At the Polling Station:
- ♦ Verify that you are registered as a separate school supporter. If your support status is incorrect ask for an 'Application to Amend Voters' List'. This form may be completed and submitted at the polling station.
- ♦ Ensure the ballot you are given is a separate school ballot.

Voting for Catholic School Board Representation:

♦ Catholic ratepayers must declare themselves to be Catholic <u>and</u> separate school electors in order to cast a vote in the election of separate school trustees in municipal elections.