



# Shamrock Times



St. Patrick Catholic School

October 2017



## Happy Thanksgiving!



**St. Patrick School .... a great little school to believe in!**

It has been a busy first month here at St. Patrick Catholic School! Staff and students have settled nicely into routines and students have had the opportunity to participate in a number of events. First, we had our **Commissioning Ceremony** with Father Wayne where staff and students promised to do their very best work this year! Then, in the following weeks, we had the opportunity to gather to sign the **St. Patrick Catholic School Peace Creed** as well as participate in **Pinwheels for Peace**. We also had a chance to get out and get active for the **New Liskeard Fall Fair**, the **Toonie for Terry Fox Walk** and of course our **St. Pats Amazing Race!** A special thank you to all of our parents, grandparents, volunteers and community partners who assisted us! St. Patrick School is a wonderful community with a lot to celebrate!



### October Birthdays!

Sofia O. Oct 1 <sup>st</sup>	
Jason M. Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Summer T. Oct 19 <sup>th</sup>
Xavier M. Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Ryan D. Oct. 21 <sup>st</sup>
Daniel M. Oct 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Julian W. Oct 23 <sup>rd</sup>
Liam Mc.C. Oct. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Axton B. Oct. 30 <sup>th</sup>
Jayden N. Oct. 30 <sup>th</sup>	

you have other family members (aunts, uncles, grandparents etc,) who would also like to join, contact Mrs. Purdy and give her their names so that they may be added to the group! Note: If you are not a member of our facebook group, make sure Mrs. Purdy has your email address so that calendars, newsletters and reminders can be sent directly to you by email!



**St. Patrick School will be hosting its Annual Open House and FREE BBQ** on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. We hope to see you there! Note: there is no cost to attend but we are collecting food items for the area **Food Bank!**



-A reminder that for serious safety reasons, St. Patrick School continues to be a **Nut and Fish Aware School**. Please feel free to contact us at the school if you have any concerns or questions!



- **WE ARE ON FACEBOOK ...** For the most up to date information, be sure to join us on Facebook! Search for our "**Friends of St. Patrick Catholic School Cobalt**" Facebook page. Note: this is a **closed group** so you will need to ask to join as a **member**. If



The JK/SK class and the Grade 1/2 class will be going to the Pumpking Patch on Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

We will be celebrating our **Thanksgiving Mass** with Father Wayne on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the gym. At this mass, Fr. Wayne will bless various school groups in Thanksgiving of the service they provide for our school! All are welcome to attend.



**OCTOBER CURRICULUM FOCUS** - In Mathematics, students will begin to focus on Geometry and Spatial Sense (2-D shapes, attributes, symmetry, angles, lines, circles). In Reading, students will focus on retelling and summarizing ideas in order to demonstrate meaning and in Writing students will begin to focus on the recount and procedural writing form.



St. Patrick School has once again continued its partnership with the **Red Cross and Breakfast for Learning** to help provide a healthy snack program for all children! **Healthy breakfast snacks** are delivered to all students in each of

the classrooms every morning. A special thank you to Mrs. Dupuis, Mrs. Sauve, Mrs. Fleury and helpers!

We are pleased to announce that **Photografiks** will be our school photographer again this year. School photos will take place on **October 18<sup>th</sup>** in the library. Note: all students will be photographed and then the proof packages will be sent home at a later date should you wish to purchase them!



Our first official school wide fundraiser is here! Please see the attached **2017-2018 School Spirit Collection!** Spirit Wear makes a great gift! We hope

that students will sell to family and friends of St. Patrick School! The funds raised will go towards student activities!



**Parent Council Nomination Forms** were sent home recently. All nominations are due in on **Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>**. Please take some time to consider joining parent council. The purpose of the council is to promote student achievement and to improve the educational experiences of all of our students!



## Sacramental Preparation Dates:

If you have a child who wishes to receive the sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Communion, please contact Fr. Wayne at 705 647-5035.



Our PALS (Playground Activity Leaders) will be back on the job this month! A special thank you to Mrs. D. and Mrs. Labonte for working with this great group of students!



## A Prayer of Gratitude

Gracious God in this busyness of my day, I sometimes forget to stop and thank you for all that is good in my life.

My blessings are many and my heart is filled with gratefulness for the gift of living, for the ability to love and be loved, for the opportunity to see the everyday wonders of creation, for sleep and water, for a mind that thinks and a body that feels.

I thank you too for those things in my life that are less than I would hope them to be. Things that seem challenging, unfair or difficult.

In the silence of my soul, I thank you most of all for your unconditional and eternal love.

**Amen**

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

L. Hurtubise, Principal

