

## The Cougar Column

ST. JOSEPH - NEWSLETTER

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# A Message from the Principal...

he calendar for April can be found with this newsletter. It outlines the activities we have planned for this month. Have a safe and restful Easter weekend. Keep in mind and be thankful that our Lord gave His life for us so that we could be saved.



Mrs. Pichette, Principal



#### <u>AUTISM AWARENESS</u>

During the month of April, we ask that Staff and Students participate in our "Inside Out" activity. Come to school wearing your shirts "Inside Out" and bring in a small donation that will go towards Autism Awareness. Please see the calendar for dates.

From the Inside Out website: "People with autism are often misunderstood. Really they are just like the rest of us, just different in some ways but certainly not less. This is a great opportunity to bring children, teachers, families and communities together in understanding autism better. It is a FUNdraiser but most importantly it builds much-needed awareness and acceptance."



**FOCUS ON FAITH** 

During the month of April, we celebrate Easter.

We will celebrate our Monthly Mass, led by Father Henri on Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 at St. Joachim Parish.

#### Our Virtue of the Month is HOPE

#### DEVELOPING CHARACTER THROUGH HOPE

#### A hopeful person is:

- Inspired and inspires others
- Optimistic
- One who seeks good in the world
- Someone who sets and sticks to goals
- Someone who works for peace and
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- Someone who sees the good in others even when they make mistakes
- Someone who works to include others
- Someone who works at creating a better world
- Someone who knows that God is in control and will do what is best for us



We are working on improving our math abilities as part of our school improvement plan. You can help your children at home by having fun with them while learning math.

We have looked at math dice and card games – now we present...

#### Math in everyday activities

There are many opportunities to do math together in ways that are non-threatening and fun.

When you take one dozen eggs out of the refrigerator to bake a cake with five eggs, ask your child how many eggs are left in the carton.

When you are in the kitchen preparing dinner or baking goodies for the class party, let your children help. Reading a recipe and measuring ingredients with the right tools are important math skills and provide wonderful experiences with fractions! Although many recipes do not use metric, it is still important to understand the relative size of measures and how to double or divide the quantity of ingredients in half based on the final product.



### SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, Apr. 18, 2018 at 6:00 pm Working meeting for Progrant Proposal.



#### AWESOME NEWS

Abigail Watt was chosen as a "Student who Makes a Difference." She attended the "Night of Applause" at O'Gorman High school to accept her award. We are very proud of her! Way to go Abby!

Our "Climate change challenge" was won by Priia Taylor! Way to go Priia – your Newsletter will be featured on the Board website!



## Northern College is presenting a Live Streamed session with Barbara Coloroso:

Barbara will discuss the keys to good parenting/teaching: treating kids with respect; giving them a sense of positive power in their own lives; giving them opportunities to make decisions, take responsibility for their actions and learn from their successes and mistakes.

**Date:** April 16, 2018

**Time:** Live streaming starts at 6:30 p.m. **Location:** Northern College Room H-16