

St. Louis Catholic School  
CSAC Meeting  
May 29, 2008

## Principal Comments

### Sharing Good News at St. Louis

- our Welcome to Kindergarten Evening was a complete success thanks to the hard work and efforts of the teachers and staff in our primary division
  - families with children registering for next September were invited to an interactive evening where children could meet their teachers and engage in activity based learning centres
  - the evening opened with a panel of guests welcoming parents and children, comprised of members from the community including The Learning Partnership; Toronto Public Libraries, Mimico Branch; Curriculum and Accountability Office of the TCDSB, Public Health Department, Parks and Recreation
  - visible displays from guests
  - feedback from all was extremely positive; we have received many emails and notes of thanks
  - parents were very pleased; children enjoyed the evening; babysitters were appreciated by staff and parents alike
- thank you to all parents who donated to the Dance-a-thon and contributed to the success of the fundraising event; thank you to the teachers, parents and students who provided support as well
- the Heart and Stroke Foundation fundraiser and Play Day—Jump Rope for Hearts-- was also a complete success; as noted in the Principal Newsletter for May (see the website for more details) the event was celebrated by the Heart and Stroke Foundation as an excellent example of student leadership; grade 6 students in Mrs Mior's class guided the activities through out the day—in the gym and on the school yard
- Ms Morris referred council members to the recent May newsletter that highlighted other successes at St. Louis for the month of May:
  - \* Feast of St Louis celebration on April 25th
  - \* the Economics of Staying in School—RBC, Ms Devine and Ms Devine-Turiff present a full day seminar to our grade 8s
  - \* the new photo gallery in our front hall in honour of St. Louis and the virtues
  - \* athletic news including today's Track and Field meet at Centennial Park
  - \* CSAC Lecture Series: Kids Have Stress Too with Public Health Liason
  - \* Purple Day for Meagan's Walk and 97.3 EZ Rock
  - \* Scholastic Book Fair-- \$2334.15 sales (\$1305.26 profit for classes)
  - \* sacramental preparation for Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation
  - \* grade 8 tree planting near Kleinburg—over 1000 trees were planted
  - \* St. Louis Choir shines at the TCDSB Music Festival

### Budget Concerns for TCDSB and Effects on St. Louis

- as reported in the press, the Ministry has sent in an auditor to review the decisions made by the TCDSB board of trustees regarding cuts to program and budget; the current deficit is \$13 million and the Minister is requiring a balanced budget
- decisions are being reviewed actively at board meetings held this week and next
- as reported at the last meeting we have lost 2 full teachers; additionally we have lost 0.50 5<sup>th</sup> Block Program; 0.50 ESL ; 0.20 French; and 0.20 Daily Physical Activity
- TCDSB Senior Staff is meeting with the Toronto Elementary Catholic Teachers (TECT) to negotiate the framework for moving forward to meet the Ministry requirements
- News will be shared with the TCDSB community by Human Resources as soon as possible
- See the TCDSB website for more information

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**Year End Program and Enrichment Activity News**

**June 2008**

**The Year End Calendar for Parents**

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| May 30 <sup>th</sup>  | HPV Gardasil administration for girls in grade 8 with Public Health                                      |
| June 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Public Health Dental Team visits St. Louis<br>Year End Celebration at Wonderland for grades 7 and 8s     |
| June 3                | Regional Track and Field   |
| June 4,18             | Pizza Days   |
| June 10               | Track and Field City Finals at York University   |
| June 13 <sup>th</sup> | Crawford Lake Excursion for grades 4, 5 and 6  |
| June 16 <sup>th</sup> | Boys Softball Tournament   |
| June 17 <sup>th</sup> | Girls Softball Tournament  |
| June 19 <sup>th</sup> | Graduation for Grade 8s—12:00 noon Luncheon at The Canadiana<br>■ 7:00 Graduation Mass at St. Leo Church |
| June 19 <sup>th</sup> | Grade 3s travel to High Park School Nature Centre  |
| June 20 <sup>th</sup> | Graduation for Senior Kindergartens at 9:30 a.m. in the gymnasium  |
| June 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Play Day at St. Louis guided by student leaders  |
| June 24 <sup>th</sup> | Final Report Cards go home<br>End of the Year Mass at St. Leo at 9:30 a.m.                               |
| June 24 <sup>th</sup> | Year End Assembly with DVD presentation—WE ARE FAMILY at 1:00 p.m.                                       |
| June 25 <sup>th</sup> | Last Day of School   |
| June 26 <sup>th</sup> | Professional Development Day—no school for students  |

**Booked for Next Year:**

- Outdoor Education Excursion for Grade 8s at Mansfield—September 29<sup>th</sup> – October 3<sup>rd</sup>
- painting of the second floor, tiling of kindergarten classrooms, and some bathrooms, all doors to be completed in July, this summer

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**Fundraising Timeline for 2008 – 2009 School Year**

**CSAC Meeting, May 29, 2008—A Guide for Discussion**

1. **Fall CSAC Fundraiser**
  
2. **Spring CSAC Fundraiser**
  
3. **Advent Global Community Service Outreach School Guided Project**  
e.g. Project Harambee, Brick by Brick for Kenya, Bed Kits
  
4. **Lenten Local Community Service Outreach School Guided Project**  
e.g. Ernestine's Women's Shelter

In addition:

The CSAC Dance-a-thon has been a traditional event