



## St. Louis Catholic School

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Current Enrolment:  
230

School Hours:  
Morning Session 8:45-11:45 a.m.  
Recess 10:05-10:20 a.m.  
Lunch 11:45-12:45 p.m.  
Afternoon Session 12:45-3:15 p.m.  
Recess 1:55-2:10 p.m.  
Dismissal 3:15 p.m.

## Catch the spirit!

Director of Education:  
Mr. L. Nemes

# Parent Newsletter

## Principal's Message

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give as the world gives do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not be afraid.

-- John 14:23

In this new month of November, the month of remembrance and peace, we celebrate the trust we place in God as He helps us to shape our school community: staff, students and parents together.

Life at St. Louis is just that: Life to the Full! The past month has taken us in many directions, and the path before us leads to new and exciting adventure for all members of the school community. Read on to find out more: news that has happened and events to come in the weeks ahead. Parents: Pay close attention to the LIST OF DATES attached for important information!

## The Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC)

Integrated into this newsletter each month is an update from our parent council: The Catholic School Advisory Council. At this time, and most publicly, I would like to thank the parents of the St. Louis Catholic School community for the generous support of programs at our school. This thanks comes from me as principal; but also from each and every staff member as well. At the last school council meeting on October 23<sup>rd</sup>, a number of financial commitments were made to the school for this year, including buses for school trips; as well as enrichment activity funding for school assemblies and programs. See the attached list of dates for more particular information, as well as a note written by our CSAC Chair, Mrs. V. Devine.

More news will follow at the next CSAC meeting, scheduled for November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. Please mark your calendars and try to attend!

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Included in this month's Newsletter:

- Safe Schools News, including Lockdown Practices
- information about the new LUNCH LADY program
- a personal invitation for you from Father Frank
- communication procedures during winter storms
- information regarding Foster Homes needed
- an updated Calendar of Events for parents

## School News...

### Hallowe'en at St. Louis

Students at St. Louis enjoyed a Hallowe'en parade through the neighbourhood, and a costume contest sponsored by our grade 8 student leaders. The day culminated with individual class parties and a dance for the grade 7s and 8s in the school gym.

### Intermediate Volleyball Results

We are very proud of our intermediate boys and girls who represented St. Louis with flying colours this week in the divisional tournaments.

At St. Teresa Catholic School,

**Our Intermediate Boys** did us proud by coming second out of four teams in the division, including St. Leo, St. Teresa and St. Elizabeth. Thanks to the coaches: Mlle. Mondano and Ms. Burke for the many practices that went into preparation. Well done, boys!

**Our Intermediate Girls** play today at St. Teresa and we await the news of their success! Thanks to their coaches: Mrs. DiCarlo and Mrs. Smith for the many early morning practices!

### Community Relations Police Officer Visits

Police Constable Keith McCann, from 22 Division, will spend valuable time in the new year with children, sharing news about safety awareness. Grade 2s will learn about street proofing; grade 4: internet safety; grade 5: positive relationship building/bullying; grade 6: drugs; grade 8: violence prevention and internet safety.

### Safe Schools and Lockdown Practice

Congratulations to the students and staff for their responsible participation in the mandatory Lockdown Practice on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Students were reminded that it is the adults' job at all times to keep them safe, and that practices such as these are designed so that everyone's responses in a real emergency situation can be automatic, just as in a fire drill exercise. Parents can rest assured that policies and procedures are in place to keep the children safe.



## News Regarding Secondary Schools

The grade 7 and 8 students at St. Louis have been busily involved in receiving information about programs and services at Bishop Allen Academy and Father John Redmond School. Recently, our students visited both schools Open Houses to receive information about programs and services, and parents are invited to examine the websites carefully at [www.tcdsb.org](http://www.tcdsb.org) for specific, detailed information. Information has been sent home under separate cover regarding open houses and invitations to special information evenings. Please contact me at St. Louis, or the Principals of each secondary school if you would like any assistance making a decision regarding these exemplary Catholic secondary schools.

Secondary School applications have been distributed to each grade 8 student at St. Louis and are due back in the school no later than November 17<sup>th</sup>. More information will follow.

## Josten Picture RETAKE Day: November 18<sup>th</sup>

### Did You Know?

#### Lightning Strikes—ZAPPED! with the St. Louis Newspaper

Congratulations to our newspaper team Kayla, Christina, Nicole, Julieta, Jasmine, Daigo and Kyle, and Ms. Ryan, their staff advisor.

**ZAPPED!** has made its mark in our community and we look forward to Volume 1, Issue 2 in the future. Stay tuned. Well done students for your initiative in making your dream become reality.

**The St. Louis Knitting Club** members have been busy at lunch hours preparing winter scarves, under the tutelage of our wonderful secretary, Mrs. Senatore. We are grateful to you, Mrs. Senatore for all you do for our school.

### **LUNCH LADY NEWS:**

- remember to have your orders in by Wednesday each week if you would like an order filled for the following Wednesday
- feel free to order conveniently online:

[www.thelunchlady.ca](http://www.thelunchlady.ca)

- call Tanya directly at 647-436-9134 with any questions or concerns
- a healthy pizza option will soon be offered weekly in upcoming order menus
- this program meets provincial nutrition guidelines for healthy school nutrition programs

Celebrating a New Mathematics After-School Program at St. Louis!

## JUMP

I would like to celebrate the many students who have made the responsible choice to build on their already strong math skills by joining the enrichment Math Program called JUMP. The program runs after school on Thursdays and is taught in a relaxed environment by Mrs. Schneider, Miss Burke, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Johnson. Congratulations to the students and teachers who are making this program such a success!

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**Some websites of interest for parents and students:**

- [www.nelson.com](http://www.nelson.com) -- for mathematics curriculum
- [www.readina-z.com](http://www.readina-z.com) -- for early reading support
- [www.starfall.com](http://www.starfall.com) -- for early reading support
- [www.typingpal.com](http://www.typingpal.com) -- free typing lessons online
- [www.learn2type.com](http://www.learn2type.com) -- free typing lessons online

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**Regarding Bus Cancellations due to Severe Winter Weather:**

Since all of us have seen signs of snowflakes, it is a reminder that the time to provide the following information is upon us. In the event of cancellations of school bus service or closure of schools due to inclement weather the following steps will be taken to report the information to staff and our parent community:

- the transportation department will report bus cancellations and school closures to media outlets by 6 a.m.
  - the 24 hour information line is: 416-222-8282 ext 2873 to listen to a recorded message
  - go to [www.tcdsb.org](http://www.tcdsb.org) for current up-to-date information
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