



# St. Louis Catholic School

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Current Enrolment:  
278

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. K. Kobus

# Parent Newsletter

## Principal's Message

The Lenten season is a time in our liturgical calendar when we are called to return to a profound awareness of God's love for us. The Holy Spirit invites us to slow down and to come away into the quiet of the wilderness to restore our souls, as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of Jesus at Easter. How appropriate this message is, as we head into the March Break vacation week!

This month, the children of St. Louis Catholic School, with the support of their dedicated teachers, reflect on the image of "Footprints" – through prayerful participation in liturgy with Father Sultana, and para-liturgy as a community. As you enter the front hall of the school you see the cross draped in purple robes, and petitions of Lenten sacrifice on cut-out footprints, prepared by each child in the school. I invite you to reflect now, as the children have, on the words of a marvelous, unknown author.

## FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life.

For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand.

One belonged to him, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life, there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you the most you would leave me." The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then I carried you." ~Author Unknown~



## IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE:

March 9 - Parent-Teacher Interviews from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

March 10<sup>th</sup> - NO SCHOOL for students! PA Day

March 10<sup>th</sup> - Parent- Teacher Interviews from 8:45 - 11:00 a.m.

March 13<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup>: March Break - Have a wonderful vacation everyone!

March 20<sup>th</sup> - Return to school: Term 3 Begins!

March 23<sup>rd</sup>- Next CSAC Parent Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. All are welcome!



You are invited to view the St. Louis Catholic School Website for copies of past newsletters and minutes of past CSAC meetings:

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## **School News...**

**Read along for more information!**

### **Congratulations! Go To Our Students Intermediate Basketball Winners!**

We are proud to announce that both our Intermediate Girls and Intermediate Boys have brought penants home to St. Louis from the recent Divisional Basketball tournaments. This means that our students move forward to regional competition which will be held this week in the gym at Michael Power St. Joseph Secondary School gymnasium. Congratulations students. You make us proud! Thanks as well go to the coaches: Mrs. Zimmer and Mme. Smith, for their time and energies.

### **And, Not to Be Outdone. Primary Soccer Winners!**

Congratulations also go to our Boys Primary Soccer team and Girls Primary Soccer teams who did very well in the recent tournaments. Penants are now hanging in our hallway, and thanks go to our coaches: Mrs. McIntyre, Mrs. Gula, Mrs. Hirstwood and Mrs. Nocera who co-ordinated and coached these efforts. Well done, children!

### **Sports Events—Good Luck Students!**

Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>—Boys Int. Basketball (Regional)  
Mme. Smith and Mrs. Zimmer

Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>—Girls Int. Basketball (Regional)  
Mme. Smith and Mrs. Zimmer

March 29<sup>th</sup>—Boys Junior Volleyball  
Mrs. Radi, Ms. Pacheco

March 30<sup>th</sup>—Girls Junior Volleyball  
Mrs. Di Carlo, Mme. Smith

April 26<sup>th</sup>—Cross Country—Mrs. Di Carlo,  
Mme. Smith, Mr. Bell

May 2<sup>nd</sup>—Regional Cross Country  
Mrs. DiCarlo, Mme. Smith, Mr. Bell

May 30—Track and Field (Divisional)  
Mrs. DiCarlo, Mme. Smith, Mrs. Radi

June 5—Track and Field (Regional)  
Mrs. DiCarlo, Mme. Smith, Mrs. Radi

June 6—Boys Softball  
Mr. Bell, Mrs. Zimmer

June 8—Girls Softball  
Mrs. McIntyre and Mme. Smith

**Thanks to the many coaches at St. Louis !**

## **School Policies: A Review and Update**

As always, parental support of school policies is crucial to the successful operation of our school. School policies and practices are always created with the best interests of the students in mind. Below, you will find a list of policies and practices which should be reviewed with the students at home. Increased awareness by parents will serve to enhance the likelihood of successful execution of those policies on a daily basis at the school.

### **PUNCTUALITY**

While we continue to set our goal as having every single student in class, on time for the beginning of the school day, we have not achieved that target even once but we have been very close on a few occasions. Opening exercises and announcements are scheduled to begin each day at 8:45 a.m. Therefore 8:45 a.m. is the magic time when students are considered to be late.

Developing good habits to be at school on time reflects good organizational skills.

### **PARENTS IN THE SCHOOL**

We welcome and encourage parents to be an active part of our school life, to be sure! There are, however, certain fundamental parent practices that are expected in the interests of safety for our students.

Every visit should begin at the school office.

#### *a) Picking up students during school hours:*

Parents are asked to stop at the office to have the student called to the office. Parents should not go to classroom doors during teaching time. Students are called to the office and then the student and the parent are required to sign the "sign out" book which is kept in the office.

#### *b) Parents returning to school with a student from an appointment:*

Again, parents are asked to come with their child to the office to sign back in to school following an appointment. This practice is, of course, to ensure safety of all children within our community.

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**Important Dates to Note:**

**February 13<sup>th</sup>—Kindergarten Registration Flyer Distribution through the Neighborhood**

**February 14<sup>th</sup>—Valentine's Day at St. Louis**

**-- Dance in the Gym for Junior and Intermediate students**

**-- Primary children Celebrate Day 100 on the School Calendar-- special events!**

**February 16<sup>th</sup>—St. Louis Hosts W5H Competition**

**February 16<sup>th</sup> ALL DAY and 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.**

**—Open House for Parents of New Kindergarten Registrations**

**March 1—Ash Wednesday Paraliturgy in the School Gym, 10:30 a.m.**

**March 7<sup>th</sup>—Lenten Mass in Gym: 9:30 a.m.**

**March 9<sup>th</sup>, 5 – 8 pm—Parent Teacher Interviews**

**March 10<sup>th</sup> – PA DAY—No School for Students today**

**8:45 – 11:00 am—Parent Teacher Interviews**

**March 13<sup>th</sup> – March 17<sup>th</sup>—March Break**

**March 20<sup>th</sup>—School Re-opens after the March Break**

**-- Grade 5s go to Lorraine Kimsa Theatre**

**March 21<sup>st</sup>—Grade 5 and 6 tour the Cadbury Chocolate Factory**

**April 3<sup>rd</sup>—W5H Competition**

**-- Grade 6s go to Lorraine Kimsa Theatre**

**April 4<sup>th</sup>—Sacrament of First Reconciliation at St. Leo Church, 9:45 a.m.**

**April 7<sup>th</sup>—Lenten Food Drive—Grade 8 Confirmation Project**

**April 10<sup>th</sup>—Holy Week begins**

**April 13<sup>th</sup>—Holy Thursday**

**April 14<sup>th</sup>—Good Friday—No School Today**

**April 15<sup>th</sup>—Holy Saturday**

**April 16<sup>th</sup>—Easter Sunday**

**April 17<sup>th</sup>—Easter Monday—No School Today**

**April 25<sup>th</sup>—Grades 1 and 2 go to Lorraine Kimsa Theatre**

**April 26<sup>th</sup>—CAT3 Tests for Grades 2, 5 and 7**

**April 27<sup>th</sup>—Grades 7 and 8 go to York University**

**May 1<sup>st</sup>—Celebrating Catholic Education Week**

**May 5<sup>th</sup>—Sacrament of Confirmation for Grade 8's, 7 pm at St. Leo's Church**

**May 6<sup>th</sup>—Sacrament of First Communion for Grade 2's, 5 pm at St Leo's Church**

**May 14<sup>th</sup>—Mother's Day**

**May 19<sup>th</sup>—St. Louis Dance-a-thon sponsored by CSAC**

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>—Victoria Day—No School Today**

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>—EQAO Testing begins for Grades 3 and 6**

**June 18<sup>th</sup>—Father's Day**

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>—Grade 8 Graduation—Noon: Luncheon and Dance at The Canadiana**

**-- 7 pm Graduation Ceremony in the Gym**

**June 27<sup>th</sup>—Year End Mass—9:45 at St. Leo Church**

**June 29<sup>th</sup>—Last Day of School**

**June 30<sup>th</sup>—First Day of Summer Vacation**

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