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K. Schneider *Principal*

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Good Luck Grads

Congratulations to our Grade Eights:

Nicholas B., Diana C., Sylvonna C., Yvonne C., Alexander C., Christopher D., Monika D., Dorota K., Dominik K., Monika L., Peter L., Madeline M., Blaise M., Alina S., Alexander S., Rosabelita S., Andrew V.

On Thursday, June 19th our graduating class will enjoy a big celebration. Grad night will begin with mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church. Afterward, our graduates, their families and friends, and school staff will gather in the gymnasiums for the presentation of awards and diplomas followed by refreshments. Many parent volunteers, staff and students are busy working to ensure that it will be a night to remember.

Bazaar Fun

In May the grade 7/8s held a Mother's Day bazaar and bake sale. It was a great success! There were many wonderful gifts and yummy baked goods. Thank you to all the parents, students and staff who contributed to and supported the event. With your help we managed to raise \$500 to help pay for graduation and for Joanna and Anita to travel to Tennessee for the Global Destination Imagination Competition.

Dates to Remember

- June 9, CSAC mtg and social
- June 10, Track and Field, City Meet
- June 10, Safe School Meeting 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- June 13, Appreciation Tea for Parents & Volunteers – by K.Schneider & Staff
- June 17, Annual School Picnic - High Park 5:30 p.m.
- June 19, S.K. Graduation in AM
- June 19, Gr. 8 Graduation Mass - 6:30 p.m.
- June 23, Play Day
- June 24, Teacher Appreciation Lunch – given by CSAC
- June 25, Last day of classes for students. Report cards sent home.
- June 26, P.A. Day for System Priorities

Sliding Into the Future

On Thursday June 19th our Senior Kindergarten students will “graduate” to grade one and follow the tradition of sliding down the playground slide to shake Mrs. Schneider’s hand. After this diploma ceremony everyone is invited to a party full of food, photos, hugs and balloons! The excited SKs are busy making their special mortarboards to wear on the day!

The Sound of Music

Yvonne and Sylvonna report, “On April 10th some of the students of Mr. D’Ecclesis’ instrumental class went to St. Patrick’ Secondary where they showed off their talent. They performed two songs, ‘Fiddling Around’ and ‘Fiddles on Fire’. They were applauded by four other schools. Our students learned new techniques from these schools that will improve their playing. Although this was not a competition, St. VdeP was awarded with this great experience.”

IMAX Experience

On May 13th our entire school headed down to the Ontario Place Cinesphere to enjoy a private screening of 2 IMAX films. Parents and students learned many amazing facts and had a fun time getting to know each other a little better. Thanks to everyone for continuing to support this annual community-building event.



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A Big Effort



On May 27th sixty-one athletes from our school participated in a divisional track and field meet on at Varsity Stadium. These students trained for weeks and represented our school community well. Congratulations to these athletes who have qualified for the regional meet on June 4th: Faustine C., Niall G., Derek M., Kieran G., Amanda P., Melissa M., Simon M., Mark S., Margaret D., Lukasz K., Carole S., Diana C., Joana A., Madeline M., Matthew E., Peter L., Nicole P., Alex D. Our school community is proud of their achievement. Thank you to the coaches Mr. Dipaolo, Mrs. Massara, Ms. Rajca, and Mrs. Mahabir. Congratulations to all team members!

Picnic Time!

Our annual school picnic will be held on June 17th at 5:30pm at High Park. This is always a great event to celebrate the wonderful year we have had at St. VdeP. Hot dogs will be available and the rest of the fare is provided by you --pot luck style. Watch for more info coming home shortly. See you there!

Renew with Us

Please remember that our school benefits financially if you renew your magazine subscriptions through our fundraising partner QSP. Just check out www.qsp.ca. Our account number is #8714



Let's Do Lunch

Thank you to the CSAC for sponsoring our annual grade 2 Communion Lunch and Grade 8 Confirmation Lunch. Our students prepare and receive these sacraments in their own various parishes. By sharing a celebration meal together these students can mark the special occasion in their Catholic lives as a school community also.

Treasurer's Report



A detailed report of CSAC finances is tabled at every monthly meeting. Please come along to a meeting to discuss the many things that the CSAC finances including the Learning Through The Arts Program, Scientist In the School Program, library improvements, student subsidies for school trips and after-school programs, sports equipment, school beautification and subsidizing community building events (celebrations, school picnic, graduation etc.).

Next school year our CSAC is planning to raise funds by continuing our magazine subscription drive in the fall, our family fun event in the winter, and our dance-a-thon in the spring. We would like to thank all our students, parents, and caregivers for their continued support in helping to make our school great.

Destination Imagination



Joanna W. and Anita S. traveled to Tennessee as part of the Ontario Destination Imagination Team. They write, *"On May 20 we left on our big 16 hour bus ride. Changing with the weather was so easy – it was so warm in Tennessee. On Wednesday at 7:30pm it was the big opening ceremonies. Joanna got to carry the flag. It was so cool! It was world wide and I knew that it was one of my big moments through my journey to Tennessee."* *On Thursday we had our instant challenge – we kept our promise and kept our secret. On Friday we had our central challenge. We knew that this was our time to shine. Our performance was so amazingly good and we had so much fun making it. On Saturday we had the big closing ceremonies and after that we had a party. We thank the school for giving us money to help pay for the trip. We also thank everyone for supporting us. On Sunday we came back to Toronto. What place did we come in? We came in 36 out of 70!"*

Making us Proud!

A large number of outstanding athletes represented our school at this year's Divisional Cross-Country Meet on April 23rd at Riverdale Park. Every runner displayed fine sportsmanship while striving to do his or her best. All the coaches are proud of their hard work and dedication throughout the season. Congratulations to the many athletes who advanced to the Regional Meet and represented St. VdeP proudly when the competition was fierce. Congratulations to all!

Grade Four Report

The students in Mrs. Green's class have been busy completing their poetry anthologies. Stop by the hallway outside their classroom to read some great poetry! These students have now focused their literary talents on writing and illustrating picture books. Grade fours have studied sound waves and are using art activities to study light waves. In Social Studies the students have learned about Canada through "discovery stations."

Lunchtime Help

St. Vincent de Paul will need a lunchtime supervisor and a back up supervisor for September 2008. The hours are from 11:45 –12:45 p.m. Mon.-Fri. This hour includes supervising students during lunch and when they go out for lunch recess. Please pick up an application form from the office.

