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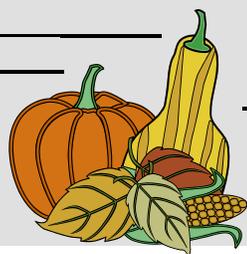
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 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Lunch Hour  
 11:45 - 12:45 PM



# St. Rene Goupil Catholic School News

## ***OCTOBER 2017***

### Virtue of the Month: *Gratitude*

Lord, your love knows no bounds. Fill my heart with gratitude for the gifts you lavish upon me every day.

Dear God, we thank you for our lives  
 We thank you for making each one of us a unique person  
 We thank you for each other  
 We thank you for the many gifts you have given us  
 Help us to see the gifts of other people  
 Help us to share our gifts with each other  
 Help us to care for each other the way you care for us.  
 Dear God we thank you for our lives.

### Thanksgiving Table Prayer

O Gracious God, we give you thanks for your overflowing generosity to us. Thank you for the blessings of the food we eat and especially for this feast today. Thank you for our home and family and friends, especially for the presence of those gathered here. Thank you for our health, our work and our play. Please send help to those who are hungry, alone, sick and suffering war and violence. Open our hearts to your love. We ask your blessing through Christ your son.

Amen. *Psalm 23: 1-6*



Gratitude is a flower that blooms in noble souls. -- Pope Francis



### Important Upcoming Dates:

- October 2<sup>nd</sup> - First Holy Communion Registration @ Prince of Peace church
- October 6<sup>th</sup> P.A. Day
- October 9<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving
- October 11<sup>th</sup> - Confirmation Registration @ Prince of Peace church
- October 13<sup>th</sup>- Dental Screening
- October 26<sup>th</sup> CSPC Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- October 30<sup>th</sup> - Dance-a-thon

**St. Rene Goupil SPIRIT ASSEMBLY AWARDS  
recipients for September**



**Caleb Cesante  
Layla Murakami  
Destiny Lee-Ying  
Gray Hunter  
Clarence Cesante  
Garcia Gnanasampanthan  
Rebecca Wang**

Grade 1/2 blurbs about the zoo trip



I learned that the Steller Sea Eagle's wing span was really, really, really wide. - Emilia

I read that sometimes snakes look slimy but they're actually dry! - Layla

The best thing about the zoo was seeing the pandas. They're really cool! - Eric

I had so much fun at the zoo and I liked seeing the snakes! - Casey

I liked seeing the animals. - Kaitlynn

The penguins are cute! - Anthony

I learned that the pandas eat so much bamboo.  
Clement

I learned about pandas keeping their energy high by eating lots of bamboo. - Kevin

**Catholic School Parent Council (CSPC) News**

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our chair, Ms. Katy Teed and her team for all their support and hard work last year.

Thank you to all other parents for their support and who continue to attend our monthly CSPC meetings.

At this time, we would like to congratulate our newly re-elected CSPC chair: Ms. Teed; Ms. Chung our new elected CSPC co-chair; and Ms. Tan our newly elected treasurer. We look forward to working together.

The CSPC is the forum through which parents and community can have a voice in the education of their children. The CSPC is consistent with the spirit of its present policy on parent and community involvement, with its four strategic directions (Gospel Values, Collaborative Leadership, Decentralized Decision Making and Transforming the Learning Experience) and with the spirit of Building Bridges initiatives.

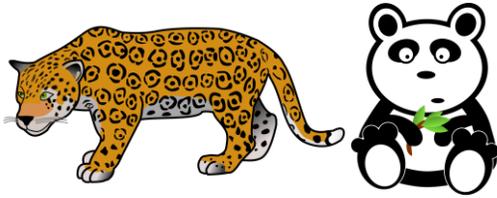
The CSPC would kindly like to invite all parents to our monthly meetings to discuss matters pertaining to St. Rene Goupil Catholic School and to work with the school principal and staff to make our children's learning experience a wonderful one. Together we can build a strong community.

***Our next CSPC meeting will on  
Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 PM  
in the library.***



On Thursday, September 28, 2017 our grade 7 students with Ms. Cheung went to the Air Canada Center to help celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> annual WE Day celebration. They were treated with a special guest, Prince Harry.

## Grade 4 Zoo trip comments



WHEN WE WENT TO THE ZOO, WE SAW SOME CHEETAH LOOKING LEOPARDS. THERE WERE ALSO CUTE BABY LEOPARDS. – ISABEL

AT THE ZOO, THERE WERE LITTLE LEOPARDS THAT WERE PLAYING TOGETHER. – MAIA

AT THE ZOO TRIP, I LOVED THE PANDAS. THEY WERE SO CUTE AND THEY WERE PLAY FIGHTING. – KAYLEE

I LIKED THAT WE SAW LOTS OF DIFFERENT ANIMALS. I DIDN'T LIKE THAT IT WAS SCORCHING HOT. – ANDREW

IT WAS VERY HOT BUT IT WAS VERY FUN. – SHANIA

IT WAS VERY, VERY HOT BUT ALSO VERY, VERY FUN. - CLARENCE



On Monday, October 30, 2017 we will having a bake sale in the afternoon. All proceeds will be used to help fund school trips for the students.



## Dance-a-thon Fundraiser

This month of October, we are having a dance-a-thon fundraiser on Monday, October 30, 2017 to help raise money for our Advent lunch in December. We are asking all the students for \$10.00. All the money collected is to be used for your children.

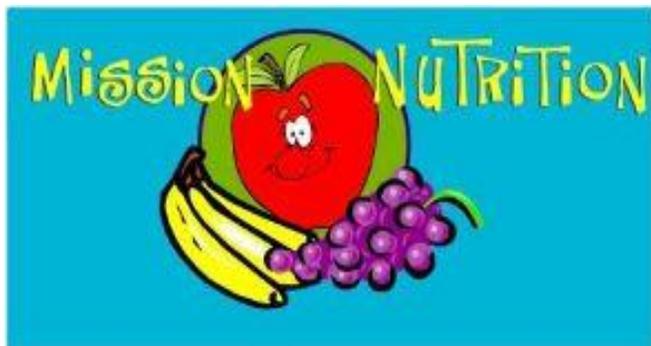
# INVICTUS GAMES

TORONTO 2017

On Wednesday, September, 27, 2017, our grades 5-7 students went to Fort York to watch the Invictus games: archery. They had a great time. Thank you to Ms. Cheung and Mr. Mogavero for taking the students on a memorable trip.

## Nutrition Program Update

The nutrition program has not started yet. We are still looking for a new nutrition program coordinator. Any person who is interested in the position, please contact the school at 416-393-5408 and speak to Mr. Pasia.



Lessons learned at the Zoo Gr. 5/6

**Kartiko's Death: Consequence of human actions.**  
By Garcia, Ashlee, Eric, Rylen and Alvin ( Gr5)

On Wednesday August 5th, 1998 Kartiko the 8 year old orangutan died. An unknown family who threw food in the orangutan habitat caused the death of kartiko the orangutan. kartiko picked up the food that was being thrown at him forgetting about their food order. The older male Alpha saw Kartiko eat first, so he pushed Kartiko and Kartiko fell into the water. Orangutans don't know how to swim, so Kartiko drowned and died. The only reason the zookeepers put water around the cage is so the orangutans don't escape.

Kartiko died because of the food that was thrown at him. He did not wait for his turn to eat. Orangutans follow a special order when they eat. Kartiko died because of human action.

We learned a lesson: that we don't feed animals.

### **What is adaptation?**

By Jalen , Peter , Jason, Otaru and Bien ( Gr6)

The change or process of change by which organisms or species become better suited to their environment is called adaptation.

An example: Antelope's Horns

Antelopes use their horns to fight and show off to females. They also use them to fight for their territories. It takes 2-3 years to grow. They stop growing when they're dead. They use their horns to protect them from predators, but they don't replace annually. Female antelopes, grow antlers not horns though that is about antelopes horns.

Another example is the Panda's "thumb". The panda's thumb is actually an abnormally enlarged wrist bone. This adaptation is very important .If pandas didn't have their "thumbs", it would be difficult for the pandas to pick up bamboo Baby panda bears don't have thumbs" at first. Overtime, they adapt to their environment and "grow" "thumbs."

