

Secretary

To: all.families@stpaulschool.ca
Cc: All School Staff; St. Paul Parish Richmond
Subject: Thursday Letter
Attachments: Parents Volleyball Oct 21 2016.pdf; OCT 21 Parent Volleyball Night Food Order Form.pdf

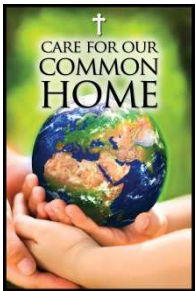


Dear Parents,

With the construction of the new church soon to begin, there will be many changes to the school and church property that will dramatically change the way traffic flows, the parking availability, and pick-up and drop-off procedures. This could all begin within the next month. As soon as finer details are made available to me, I will pass them along to you. This time of change could be several months long. As a result, we ask for your patience, your willingness to adjust your morning drop-off timing if necessary, to carpool where possible, and if you live close to school – how about walking? Just some suggestions to help us ease into the coming change, and to keep the safety of the children our top priority.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead
Principal



“Leaving an inhabitable planet to future generations is, first and foremost, up to us. The issue is one which dramatically affects us, for it has to do with the ultimate meaning of our earthly sojourn.” **Pope Francis.**



Nuns Crossing! - You will notice that our lovely St. Paul Sisters have moved into the new convent which backs on to the South end of the parking lot by the Music portable. Please be mindful as you are leaving the parking lot, as this is now a walkway for the Sisters to and from the church. Thank you.

The Cold has Arrived – With the cold and wet weather here now, please make sure your child remembers to bring his/her coat to school every day. Even if it is lightly raining, we often send the children outside at recess for much needed fresh air. It is far more comfortable for them if they are dressed appropriately.

Assembly Tomorrow – Gr. 4 and 1 to lead. 9:00 am in the gym.

Next Week's Assembly – Oct. 21 – Gr. 7 & 3 to lead. 9:00 am in the gym.

Next Hot Lunch serving – Monday, Oct. 17th.

School Mass – Wednesday, Oct. 19th. Gr. 6 to lead.

Parent Volleyball Night – Friday, Oct. 21st. Come on out and have some fun with fellow parents! **Last chance! Kindly forward your food orders by tomorrow.** See attachment for details.

Volleyball – lots of tournaments, play-off games, and regular games next week. Please check the online calendar and PE blog.

Primary and Intermediate Choir – Starting up soon! Please check the PE/Music blog for details.



Christmas Card/Gift Fundraiser - Would you like the opportunity to give personalized cards and gifts this Christmas that have been professionally created with your own child's beautiful artwork? We are once again participating in the *Created By Kids* Fundraiser, and on Oct.26th your child will bring home artwork that he/she has carefully created, along with an order form on the back. Greeting cards, iPhone covers, bookmarks, mugs, blankets and canvases are just a few of the items you can order. Best of all - all funds raised will go towards our continued support for Catholic Charities. Share the joy of your child's creativity this Christmas, and support a worthy cause in the process!

Birthday Celebrations – If you wish to have your child share a special treat with the class on his/her birthday, you are welcome to send **a small allergen-free treat** that the teacher can hand out at the end of the day. We now have **27 students** who carry Epi-Pens for food-related allergies, so all treats must be free of allergens according to our school policy on anaphylaxis. Please help us keep all our students safe.

When your Child is Sick – In anticipation of cold and flu season, we'd like to remind parents to be prudent when it comes to deciding when to keep your child home, or when to send him/her to school if he/she has just recovered from being ill. **Some basic guidelines are as follows:** **24 hours** after temperature returns to normal, or after gastrointestinal illness (**vomiting/diarrhea**); contagious infections such as suspected **pink eye or strep throat**; unexplained **skin rash**; **severe cough and cold** symptoms. Exercising proper hand washing techniques is also crucial to helping prevent the spread of viruses. This will go a long way to keep our student and staff population happy and at school.

When Parents Have Concerns – If at any time you have a concern regarding your child, a school event, a staff member, or an incident that happened, we ask that you **please come and speak with your child's teacher**. The only way that concerns can be effectively resolved is through open communication between home and school, resulting in accurate information being shared, and an informed understanding of your concern.

Have a nice
WEEKEND



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