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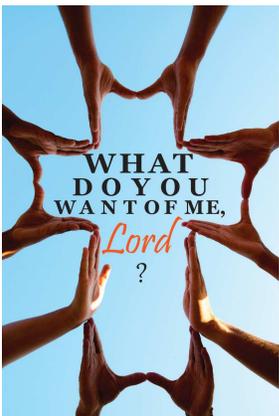
Dear Parents,

We had a successful two days of uniform fittings for Top Marks over the past two days. Hopefully everyone was able to order new uniform pieces for September, as the "old" sweaters, golf shirts and gym strip will no longer be permitted. (Sweaters with gold stripes on the arm and old crest, golf shirts with old crest, and gym shorts with white stripes down the side and gym shirts with old crest and large Crusader logo on the back). I know I sound like a broken record by mentioning this in every Thursday letter for almost the entire year, however I want to ensure that all families have been made aware. We are proud of our school and we show our school pride in the presentation of our uniform. I might even consider assigning a uniform to the staff... (shhhhhh...)

Wishing all the fathers, grandfathers, step-fathers and father figures in our community a happy and joyous Father's Day!

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead
Principal



"God wants you to be signs of his merciful love for our time." Pope Francis.



Grand Finale Gr. 7 Fundraiser! – Come one, come all to the Gr. 7 variety show style fundraiser tomorrow afternoon, June 14th at 1:00 pm in the school gym. Entertainment, Rock Band performances, treats, raffles and a fun time in general will make for an exciting afternoon! Parents welcome. Funds raised will go to St. Joseph Nursery and Elementary School in Cameroon (Father George's charity), as well as the Door is Open in Vancouver's downtown eastside.

“Old” Uniform ends as of June 2019: When we moved to our new uniform company in 2017, Top Marks, it was communicated to all parents that there would be a two year grace period where students could wear the “old” St. Paul uniform (sweaters with yellow arm bands and polo shirts with old school crest.) **A reminder that as of Sept. 2019, ALL students in Gr. K to 6** will be required to wear the “new” Top Marks uniform. **(Please note this does NOT apply to tunics and kilts as the old and new are similar enough.)** The ONLY class permitted to wear the “old” uniform next year will be the Gr. 7 class (this year's Gr. 6 students.) ALL OTHER students will be expected to wear the “new” uniform. **We give you this reminder now so you can think ahead for any new uniform pieces that need to be acquired for next September.**

Fun Day Volunteers Please - Fun Day is fast approaching! We are always thankful that so many parents are able to join us to celebrate this exciting day. We will need some parent volunteers to run activity stations this year. Please e-mail Mrs. Kelly at nkelly@stpaulschool.ca if you are able to help. Thank-you!

Step Up Day – We are excited to introduce a new activity for students – Step Up Day! Next week the students will have an opportunity to visit next year's class and teacher for a portion of the morning to see what the next grade is all about. This activity is for students only and will take place during the regular school day. I'm sure you will hear all about it. ☺

Tomorrow's Assembly – Friday, June 14th, Gr. 6 & K to lead.

No More Hot Lunch – Please note that there will be no more hot lunch servings for the remainder of the year.



An invitation to the Dedication of the Church – Tuesday, June 18th at 7pm. Archbishop Miller to celebrate this special mass of the Dedication and Consecration of our new church and altar.



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.

Dress Shoes only for uniform – It has been noted that some students are wearing black running shoes with their uniform. A reminder that uniform shoes, according to our uniform policy, must be **“Dress shoes with good support. No running shoes, no sandals, no heels.”** Thank you.

Planning the school year? – If you are looking for professional days, dates for school holidays, etc., our online calendar is updated to June 2019. The calendar can be accessed through the school web site at www.stpaulschool.com.

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.

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 **30 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.

