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Subject: Thursday Letter
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Importance: High



Dear Parents,

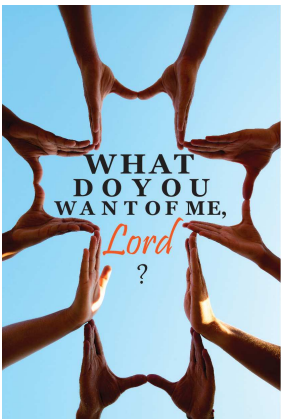
The daily buzz in the hallways has suddenly been silenced, and the school will sit quietly for the next two months while students, staff, and families alike enjoy some well-deserved rest and relaxation. I encourage everyone to use the time to make memories with your loved ones: ride a bike, enjoy an ice cream, take a gulp of water from the hose, and get your hands and feet dirty – and that’s just for you parents! Enjoy God’s creation in the beautiful weather that lies ahead for us, as we look forward to ...*doing all things through Christ* next year.

I am told that when we are back in session in September, the new parking area will be completed where the old church once stood. We will send out information regarding new parking/traffic regulations for the new school year.

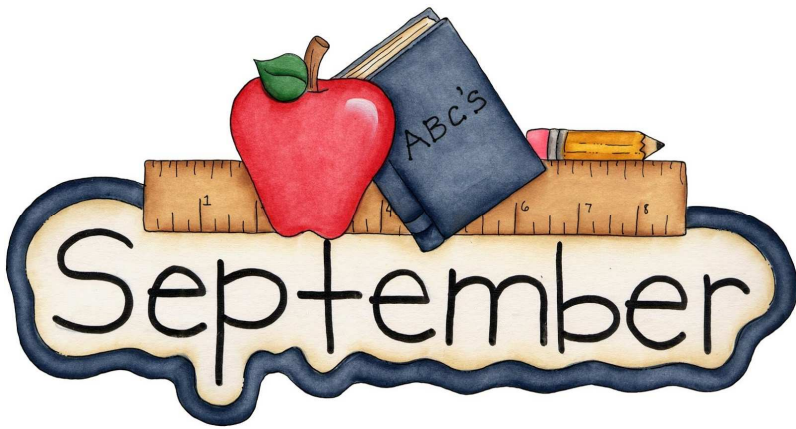
The staff of St. Paul School wishes all our families a fantastic summer. See you on Sept. 3rd at 8:45 am.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead
Principal



“Smell the sea, feel the sky, let your soul and spirit fly.” Van Morrison.



“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.**

Planning the school year? – If you are looking for professional days, dates for school holidays, etc. for next year, our online calendar is updated to June 2020. The calendar can be accessed through the school web site at www.stpaulschool.com.

First Day of School – Tuesday, Sept. 3rd. at 8:45am.

Gr. 7 Leadership Ceremony – Friday, Sept. 6th. 9:00 am in the gym.

Walkathon Assembly – Friday, Sept. 6th. 9:00 am in the gym.

Gr. 7 Outdoor Education Camp – Sept. 10th to the 13th.

Meet the Teacher Night/AGM – Tuesday, Sept. 17th. 7:00 pm.

Walkathon – Friday, Sept. 27th.



Sunday, July 28th , from 1pm to 5pm

Parish Picnic Volunteers Needed – Have you ever wanted to make cotton candy? Volunteers are needed for the 8th Annual Parish Picnic . **One hour of your time** is needed for this fun event that will feature a BBQ lunch, tasty treats, carnival games, inflatables, and much more! If you are able to offer an hour of your day, please contact **Mr. BK Kwee** **directly** at bkwee@stpaulschool.ca .



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.

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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.

