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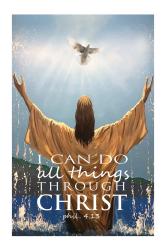
Dear Parents,

It was a great turnout last Tuesday to our AGM/Meet the Teacher night. We appreciate your dedication and support for our school and our staff, and we look forward to another fantastic, faith-filled year at St. Paul School.

This is the last week before our Walkathon next Friday, so we encourage all our students to give it their all when collecting their final pledges! Let's make this year's total the highest yet!

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead Principal



The family is the fundamental locus of the covenant between the Church and God's creation." Pope Francis



<u>TRAFFIC AND PARKING</u> – The Pickup/Drop off lane will be **CLOSED** until early next week. **ALL FAMILIES** are to **PARK** in the back lot and escort their child to the playground area. Thank you. (This will all end soon.... we promise!)

<u>PLEDGES!!</u> Hopefully the students are coming along nicely with their pledges for our Walkathon. Lots of prizes are available for the most money raised, the most pledges collected, etc. Let's do our part to make this the highest amount ever!

Walkathon - Friday, Sept. 27th. *12:30 Dismissal*

Parent Volleyball Night - Save the date! Friday, Oct. 25th. More details to come.

Assembly Tomorrow - Gr. 7 & 3 to lead. 9:00 am in the gym.

<u>Volleyball and Cross Country</u> – See PE blog for details.



<u>St. Paul Spirit Catholic Ministry</u> - An invitation to Grade 6 & Grade 7 students. **Friday, September 27** from **7:30-9 PM** at the **Parish Centre**.

<u>Parish Movie Night Fundraiser Event</u> – Friday, Oct. 4th., 6:00 pm in the school gym. The movie "Unplanned" will be shown. Please come join us in watching Abby Johnson's true life story. Her desire to help women led her first to planned parenthood, where she became the youngest director in its history and oversaw 22k abortions. How did she drastically change paths to become an advocate for human life! Her courage and humility in sharing her story are inspiring! Proceeds go towards the church building fund.



<u>When Parents Have Concerns</u> – 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 <u>please come and speak with your child's teacher</u>. 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.

<u>Dress Shoes only for uniform</u> – 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.** <u>No running shoes</u>, **no sandals**, **no heels.**" Thank you.

<u>Planning the school year?</u> – 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.ca

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.

<u>Birthday Celebrations</u> — If you wish to have your child share a special treat with the class on his/her birthday, you are welcome to send <u>a small allergen-free treat</u> 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.



