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Cc: St. Paul Parish Richmond; staff@stpaulschool.ca
Subject: Thursday Letter
Attachments: Parents Volleyball Oct 25 2019.pdf; Volleyball.jpg

Importance: High

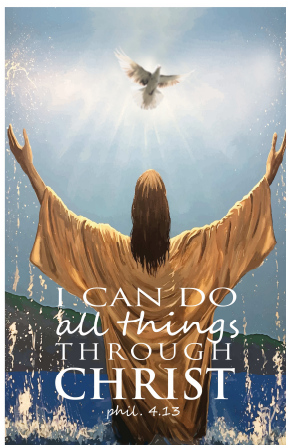


Dear Parents,

We indeed have so much to be thankful for. During this long weekend, please use the time to make a special connection as a family. We are all so busy in our daily lives - running here and there, pick- ups and drop- offs, playdates, lessons, work, appointments... My hope is that this weekend your family will gather around two tables – the Thanksgiving table in your home, and the Lord's table at Mass. Taking the time to be with one another reflects the way Jesus always took time for those he loved. Sharing a meal as a family allows us to focus on each other and give thanks for our loved ones. Sharing in the Eucharist, (which literally means “thanksgiving”), allows families to deepen our faith in God, and give thanks for the blessings He has showered upon us. St Paul School wishes all of our families a most grateful and blessed Thanksgiving.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead
Principal



“The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched – they must be felt with the heart.” Helen Keller

SCHOOL SAFETY: A **SHARED** RESPONSIBILITY



NEW CROSSWALK – Please note that if you park in the front parking lot, you can only cross over to the school at the new crosswalk located up near the parish centre. **THERE IS NO LONGER A CROSSWALK AT THE COVERED AREA**
END OF THE SCHOOL – PLEASE DO NOT CROSS THE PARKING LOT THERE. Thank you.

Assembly Tomorrow - Gr. 4 & 1. 9:00 am in the gym.

Sacrament of Confirmation Parent Meeting – For Gr. 7 parents. **Wednesday, Oct., 16th. 6:45 pm** in the gym.

Garry Point Fun Run – Tomorrow! See PE blog for details.

Learning Conference Day – Friday, Oct. 18th. NO CLASSES this day. Gr. 3 to 7 students come with their parents, in uniform, for their conference time. Gr. K to 2 parents will meet with the teacher without the students. **On-line booking starts tomorrow at 9am.**

No Assembly Next Week – Due to Learning Conferences.

Volleyball– See PE blog for details.



An Invitation to Parent Volleyball Night – Save the date! Friday, Oct. 25th. Please see attachment.



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.

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.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.

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.

