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**Subject:** Thursday Letter

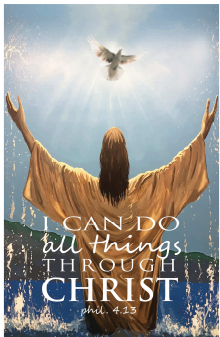


Dear Parents,

Heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all families who donated to our collection program for The Giving Truck. 30 Christmas hampers will be prepared for families at the Circles of Care and Connection (CCC) Early Years Refugee Program. This facility provides support and settlement services to families coming to Canada as refugees with children. These families will have a brighter Christmas because of the generosity of the St. Paul community. Thank you again for your donations, and please continue to pray for the families who will receive your gifts this Christmas.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead  
Principal



*"If you judge people, you have no time to love them."* **Mother Teresa**

# PLEASE READ: IMPORTANT MESSAGE

**Students Being Dropped off Early in the Morning** – we have noticed a handful of students on the school grounds as early as 8:00am, unsupervised by a parent/caregiver. A reminder that **school supervision does not start until 8:30 am, and if a child arrives prior to that they should be supervised by a parent/caregiver until 8:30 am.** Thank you.

**Assembly Tomorrow** – Staff to lead. 9:00 am in the gym.

**Next Hot Lunch Serving** – Monday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Dress Down Day!** - **Wednesday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>.** Bring a toonie and come dressed as your favourite animal. Donations go to RAPS – Regional Animal Protection Society.

**School Mass** – Thursday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. 11:00 am. Gr. 6 class to lead.

**Hot Lunch Orders Due** – Thursday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. Late orders will not be accommodated.

**No School** – Friday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Professional Day.

**Volleyball**– See PE blog for details.

**Blanket BC Donations** – Gently used blankets and coats are due on **Wednesday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>**. They are also accepting used (but clean) scarves, gloves, toques, mittens, socks and pillowcases.



**Vancouver College Open House** – Tuesday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>. 6:30 pm. See <https://www.vc.bc.ca/apply/open-house> for more information.

**St. Patrick Regional Secondary School Open House** – Monday, Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6:30pm.

**LITTLE FLOWER ACADEMY** is accepting applications from prospective Grade Eight candidates for the 2020-2021 school year. All students wishing to apply must sit the **ENTRANCE EXAM** on Saturday, December 7, 2019. For more information and online application, please visit our website ([www.lfabc.org](http://www.lfabc.org)) or contact Kathi Wilson, Registrar at [wilsonk@lfabc.org](mailto:wilsonk@lfabc.org) or 604-738-9016 ext. 114.



**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](http://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.

