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Subject: Thursday Letter



Dear Parents,

Our volleyball season ended yesterday with our boys' CISVA championship finals at Harry Jerome. The girls' championships were on Nov. 5th. Congratulations to our Gr. 6 & 7 boys who advanced to the championships, with the Gr. 6 boys placing 3rd overall in the CISVA. As always, a huge thank you to the teachers who, in addition to their teaching duties, take on a coaching role that requires a great deal of time outside of the regular workday. Thank you also to the students who committed to early morning practices and late afternoon games, and who made St. Paul proud. A special thank you to all the parents who got their child to practice on time and cheered us on in games!

Basketball, here we come!

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead Principal



God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy. Pope Francis



<u>Students Being Dropped off Early in the Morning</u> – 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.

No School Tomorrow - Professional Day.

<u>Advent Assembly</u> – Friday, Nov. 29th. Join us in the gym for the blessing of the classroom wreaths and our prayer service led by our Gr. 6 and K classes. 9:00 am in the gym.

Next Hot Lunch Serving - Monday, Nov. 25th.



A confirmation email was sent out yesterday to families with in coming Kindergarten siblings for school year 2020-2021. If you did not receive an email and have a child born in 2015. Please email the office as soon as you can. Thank you.



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

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

<u>LITTLE FLOWER ACADEMY</u> 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) or contact Kathi Wilson, Registrar at wilsonk@lfabc.org or 604-738-9016 ext. 114.



<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>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.

