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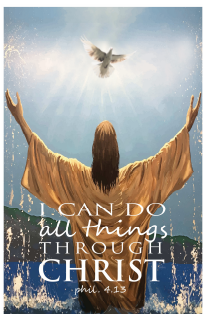


Dear Parents,

Next Wednesday, **Feb. 12th**, St. Paul School is very excited to be hosting a visit from *Unstoppable Tracy!* As an expert on disarming limiting beliefs, seen in Oprah Magazine, 30 million viral video views of her school story 2019, International award-winning leader & speaker, decorated athlete, TV host & bestselling author and honoured humanitarian, Unstoppable Tracy provides tools for resilience, determination, and ways to affect positive change to everyone around you. Tracy's verve for life and ability to overcome obstacles are immediately apparent in these keynote presentations, and her story of perseverance, courage, positivity, and commitment, challenges the misconceptions of people. **Her unique perspective as a 4-way amputee inspires all audiences** to set goals, persevere through adversity, and do what it takes to achieve success. Join us! 10:45 am in the school gym.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead
Principal



It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of hope.

Pope Benedict.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Assembly Tomorrow – Gr. 4 & 1 to lead. 9:00 am in the gym.

Communicating Student Learning Progress Reports – Coming home tomorrow.

Custodio Basketball Tournament – Tomorrow.

Gr. 2 Family Mass for Sacramental Preparation – Saturday, Feb. 8th. 5:00 PM

Gr. 2 Parent Meeting for Sacramental Preparation – Wed. Feb. 12th. 6:45 PM.

Hot Lunch Serving – Feb. 10, 2020.

Reminder – No School – Feb. 13th & 14th (Catholic Educators Conference) and Feb. 17th. (Family Day holiday.)

Dress Down Day – Friday, Feb. 21st. Superhero Day

Basketball – See PE blog.



Special Assembly! – Wed. Feb. 12th. 10:45 AM. St Paul gym. Join us as we welcome **Unstoppable Tracy** to St. Paul School! As an expert on Disarming Limiting Beliefs, Seen in Oprah Magazine, 30 million viral video views of her school story 2019, International Award-Winning Leader & Speaker, Decorated Athlete, TV HOST & Bestselling Author and honoured humanitarian, Unstoppable Tracy provides tools for resilience, determination, and ways to affect positive change to everyone around you. See attachment for more details!



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.

