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Subject: Thursday Letter

Importance: High



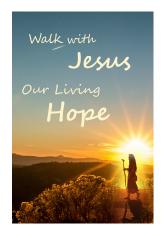
Dear Parents,

We look forward to welcoming you all for our Learning Conferences today and tomorrow. We have had a productive and successful start to the year, and I feel you will be pleased with your child's achievements thus far. Booked time slots are 15 minutes, with 10 minutes for meeting with the teachers, and 5 minutes for sanitization and changeover before the next appointment. A reminder that Learning Conferences are for parents and teachers only, and **children are to remain at home**; child-minding will **NOT** be offered, as has been the case in previous years. We ask that all parents wear a mask, and follow the protocols laid out when you arrive. (See yesterday's Moorehead Message video that was emailed home for specific instructions.)

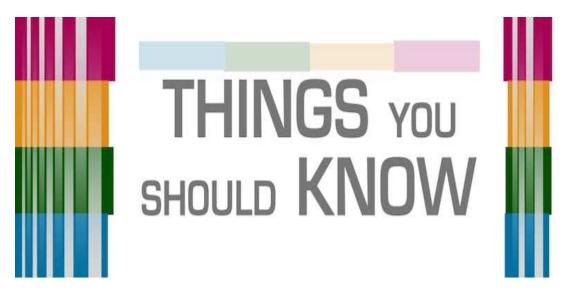
Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead Principal



"Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life." Psalm 138:7



No Classes Tomorrow – A reminder that tomorrow (Friday) are Learning Conferences only, (parents and teachers only) and there are **no classes** for students.

<u>Halloween at St. Paul's</u> – On Friday Oct. 30th students will be welcome to come out of uniform and dress in either a Halloween costume, or wear orange and/or black. **Please bring a \$2.00 donation for our sponsor child Thomas in Ghana**. When considering a costume for school, please keep in mind the following:

- We are a Catholic community, therefore costumes must be modest, respectful of others, and free of offensive language.
- We are focused on student safety and peace of mind, therefore: no weapons or replica weapons of any kind (guns, swords, knives, chains, etc.); no blood or slime; no witches, ghosts, goblins, zombies, or scary monsters.
- We are a learning community, therefore students must be able to sit at their desk comfortably and consider the space of others (no big hats or wide wings); fully participate in all class activities (including PE and recess times); and see and hear clearly. Covid face masks will still be expected upon arrival and at dismissal.

Interim Reports - Coming home next Friday, Oct. 30th.



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.

<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 2021. 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> – A reminder that birthday celebrations (treats, give-aways and gifts) are NOT permitted until further notice.

