

Dear Parents,

Last week Mrs. Imoo and Mrs. Kelly attended the annual CISVA Theme Development Day where the focus was planning ahead to next year's Archdiocesan theme ***Seeking Truth, Healing, and Reconciliation***. With Bishop Garry Gordon as the speaker, representatives from all our CISVA schools came away with a comprehensive plan that includes a month by month framework for how the theme can permeate all we do in the year ahead. Supplemented with extensive resources, our CISVA schools will endeavour to guide our students to understand their responsibility in recognizing the role of indigenous knowledge through a reflexive, reflective, experiential, and relational process of learning.

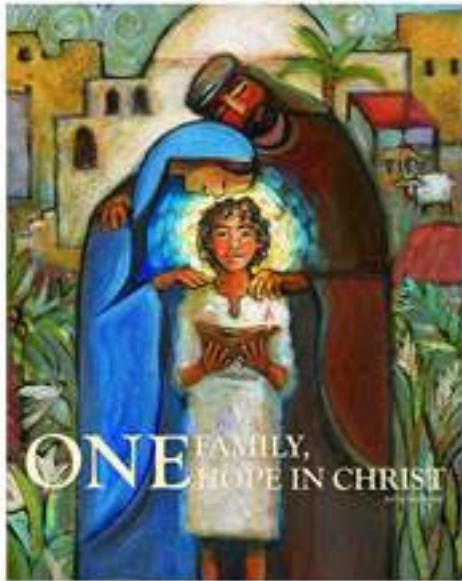
In the words of Pope Francis from his address to indigenous delegates from Canada: *"These steps are part of a journey that can favour the rediscovery and revitalization of your culture, while helping the Church to grow in love, respect and specific attention to your authentic traditions."*

We look forward to taking these steps together.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead

Principal



*"For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from Heaven and gives life to the world."*

John 6:33



**Daily Health Check** – Just a reminder that parents/caregivers are to be administering a daily health check assessment to each child before they come to school **every morning**. You can find the link [here](#).

**Spaces available in *Bright Beginnings* Summer camp** – We have now opened registration to children **outside** of St. Paul school for our incoming Kindergarten summer camp. If you know a child who is entering Kindergarten in September, and who might enjoy our summer camp, please see attached flyer for information.

**Spaces Available in *Reading Writing Rock Stars* Summer Camp** – we have 3 spaces available in this camp for children going into Gr. 1, 2, & 3 in September. See flyer attached for registration information.

**No School** – Tomorrow - Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Professional day.

**Top Marks Uniform Fitting** – June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>. 2:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Details attached.

Next School Assembly - Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. Gr. 1 and 4 to lead.

School Mass – Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. 9:00 AM. Gr. 3 to lead.

Hot Lunch Serving – June 6<sup>th</sup> – Yummy Pizza. June 10<sup>th</sup> – Fukuroku.

Follow us on Instagram! [st.paul.school.richmond](https://www.instagram.com/st.paul.school.richmond).

Does your child arrive to school before 8:30 am? – Please note that school supervision begins at 8:30 am each day. Any students who arrive before 8:30 am must have a parent/caregiver supervise them until the doors open at 8:30 am.

Sweaters for school Masses – a reminder that students are expected to wear their sweater for school Mass, which means they must be sure to have their sweater **EVERY Thursday.**



**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 2021. The calendar can be accessed through the school website 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.

St. Paul School acknowledges that the land on which we work, learn, and play is the unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples, including the territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), and Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nations.

