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Subject: Thursday Letter
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Dear Parents,

The Lenten Season started on Ash Wednesday with all of our students receiving their ashes. As we now enter into the Paschal Triduum, we should be discussing with our children, at school and at home, this time between the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. This time follows the final days of Jesus' life, his death, and his resurrection.

Looking back on Holy Week at our school, I would like to thank the Gr. 7 students for their reverent presentation of the Last Supper, and to all the students and staff for their reverence during our participation in the Stations of the Cross with Father Smith; we are very fortunate to have the opportunity to live and celebrate our faith here at St. Paul School.

St. Paul School wishes all of our families a most blessed and joyous Easter!

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead

Principal



"This is My Body... This is My Blood... Given for You." Luke 22:4-20



Daily Health Check – Families are reminded to perform a daily health check each morning before coming to school. You can find the health check link [here](#).

St. Paul Summer Camps! - Registration is now open for all camps and spaces are filling up quickly! If you are interested in registering your child, please send an email to stpaulsummer2023@gmail.com to secure a spot. Payment is only to be sent once you have received a confirmation email of your registration. Thank you.

No School - Good Friday (April 7th) and Easter Monday (April 10th)

Hot Lunch Serving - Friday, April 14th. Fukuroku.


BOOK FAIR
Coming Soon!

Scholastic Book Fair: We are pleased to announce that the Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to our school library from Tuesday April 18 – Friday April 21. Please check the Library blog on the school website for more information, and come to visit the Book Fair in support of our library!

Time for some family fun! - The St. Paul parent community is putting together its first ever Community Builder Event! This event will take place in June, and will be an opportunity for everyone to get to know (or get reacquainted with) one another. We are looking for volunteers for planning, organization, and operations. If you're interested in helping out, please send an email to: pec@stpaulschool.ca

School Mass - Thursday, April 13th. Kindergarten to lead.

School Assembly – TUESDAY, April 18th. Gr. 6 & 3 to lead. 2:15 pm.

If your child will be away – A reminder to please email the office and the teacher if your child is sick. This needs to be done each day your child is away, and please email before 8:30 AM. Thank you.

Late Arrivals to School – Please note that **instruction in the classroom begins at 8:45 AM.** We have a number of students arriving late to school on a daily basis, so we ask our families to make an effort to have your child arrive to school in time to be settled in the classroom by 8:45 and ready to learn. Thank you.

Rainy Days – Like last year, we will continue with students going outside for recess, **regardless of inclement weather.** A reminder to ensure your child is dressed for the possibility of wet weather every day, as they go outside for recess rain or shine. Extra socks are handy to have in the backpack.



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.

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 xʷməθkʷəjəm (Musqueam), and Sḵwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nations.

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Sunday
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