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**To:** all.families@stpaulschool.ca

Cc: staff@stpaulschool.ca; Parish St. Paul (Richmond)

**Subject:** Thursday Letter

Attachments: 2022-2023 Student Led Conferences.pdf; St. Paul Summer 2023 Bright Beginnings.pdf;

St. Paul Summer 2023 March Flyer.pdf



Dear Parents,

Next Friday, April 21st, we have Student Led Conferences. You, the first teachers of your children, will have the opportunity to come and share in your child's accomplishments here at school. The students will be busy preparing for their conferences with you, and are very excited to show, explain, demonstrate, and communicate their learning. I think you will be very impressed with the work your children have been doing, and the pride with which they share their learning. Just a reminder that this is a day for your child to take the lead and conference with you, and the teacher is only present in a supporting role. If you wish to discuss a concern or your child's progress with the classroom teacher, please make an appointment to meet with the teacher on another day.

We look forward to seeing you on the 21st.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Moorehead Principal



Alleluia, He is risen!



<u>Daily Health Check</u> – Families are reminded to perform a daily health check each morning before coming to school. You can find the health check link here.

<u>St. Paul Summer Camps!</u> - 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 <u>stpaulsummer2023@gmail.com</u> to secure a spot. Payment is only to be sent once you have received a confirmation email of your registration. Thank you.

<u>Student-Led Conferences</u> - Friday, April 21st. NO CLASSES this day. Students only come at their scheduled conference time. Please see attached instructions for booking your child's conference(s). Booking begins this Saturday at 9:00 am.

Are you taking too long in the Drop-off lane?? - The office has received complaints that students are taking longer than necessary to unload from the car in the drop off lane in the mornings. This is causing traffic to back up. If your child requires significant assistance to exit the car, then the drop off lane is not for you. Coats should be on before getting in the car, and goodbyes should already be said before the car comes to a stop, then the child(ren) can hop out guickly and not hold traffic up. Thank you.

Hot Lunch Serving - Tomorrow, April 14th. Fukuroku. Monday, April 17th Yummy Pizza.

Badminton - Please check PE blog for updates on Badminton schedule and tournaments.

School Mass - Thursday, April 20th. Gr. 1 to lead.

<u>School Assembly</u> – <u>TUESDAY</u>, April 18th. 2:15 in the gym. Gr. 6 & 3 to lead.



<u>Scholastic Book Fair</u>: 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!

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

<u>Late Arrivals to School</u> – 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.

<u>Rainy Days</u> – 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.

<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 website at <u>www.stpaulschool.ca</u>.

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.

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  $x^wm \partial k^w \partial y^u$  (Musqueam), and  $Skwxwu^2$ mesh (Squamish) Nations.

