

To: all.families@stpaulschool.ca  
Cc: staff@stpaulschool.ca; Parish St. Paul (Richmond)  
Subject: Thursday Letter



Dear Parents,

WOW!! **\$95,300.25!!** In case you missed it, the cheering coming from the gym yesterday afternoon was in celebration of surpassing our Walkathon fundraising goal! We are incredibly grateful to our school community for your overwhelming support. Your generosity and commitment to our school's mission reflect the true spirit of Christian giving and unity. Special thanks to this year's Walkathon coordinators Mike and Christine Chow. Together, we are able to strengthen our programs, keep our school building safe, and enrich our students' learning experiences. Thank you for walking with us, supporting our cause, and sharing in this success—your kindness and dedication are truly a blessing to our school!

Next year - \$100,000?? ☺

Yours in faith,

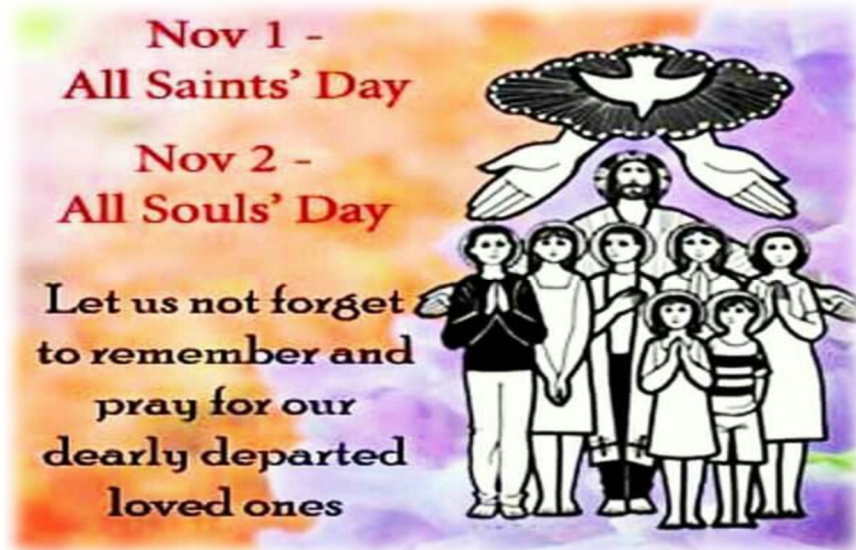
Maureen Griffin  
Principal



Living,  
**CELEBRATING,**  
and Proclaiming  
**OUR FAITH**

***There are the saints of every day, the 'hidden' saints, a sort of 'middle class of holiness'... to which we can all belong.***

~Pope Francis



**Halloween Candy donation for Agape Street Ministry** – Share your extra treats with Agape Street Ministry. Bring them to school between Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Assembly** – Tomorrow, Nov. 1st. All Saints Day. 9:00 am in the gym. Gr. 5 to lead.

**Hot Lunch** – Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> - Triple O's. Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> – Yummy Pizza.

**School Mass** – Thursday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>. 9:15 am. Gr. 3 to lead.

**Farewell Mrs. Dos Santos!** - Yesterday was Mrs. D's last day with us as she heads off on maternity leave. We wish her well for the upcoming birth of her baby!

**Welcome back, Ms. Wu!** – Yes, she's busy completing a Master's Degree this year, but she's not too busy to join us part time! We are excited to welcome back Ms. Wu to our Learning Support department.

**Remembrance Day Assembly** – Friday, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>. 10:45 am in the gym. Gr. 7 to lead.

**No School** – Monday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. Remembrance Day.

**Volleyball** – See PE announcements on Seesaw.

**2024/2025 School Calendar** - If you are looking for professional days, dates for school holidays, etc., our online calendar is updated to June 2025. The calendar can be accessed through the school website at [www.stpaulschool.ca](http://www.stpaulschool.ca).

**Follow us on Instagram!** - st.paul.school.richmond.

**If your child will be away** – A reminder to please email the school ([absent@stpaulschool.ca](mailto:absent@stpaulschool.ca)) and the teacher if your child is sick. This needs to be done *each day your child is away*. *This also includes late arrivals and early pick-ups and please email before 8:30 AM*. Thank you.

**School Arrivals** – Please note that **classes begin at 8:45 AM**. Please 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.



**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 xʷməθkʷəyəm (Musqueam), and Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nations.

