

To: all.families@stpaulschool.ca
Cc: staff@stpaulschool.ca; Parish St. Paul (Richmond)
Subject: Thursday Letter
Attachments: Book Fair 2025.pdf



Dear Parents,

For parents of children in Gr. 3 to 7, please mark the evening of **June 9th** on your calendar to attend a Parent Information evening to view the film “*Screenagers – Elementary School Edition*”. This is an updated film from the version we viewed in 2023, and supports our Human Growth and Development curriculum. This new version of the original Screenagers movie addresses issues that elementary school aged students, parents and educators are facing, i.e., smartwatches in class, unhooking from and monitoring video gaming, social media pressures, exposure too young, and what research shows is a healthy amount of screen time.

The St. Joseph the Worker parent community will also be joining us, and it is asked that at least one parent from each family attend. Effectively managing the above noted issues, both and home and at school, has a profound effect on a child’s developing brain. Please join us.

You can watch the trailer here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EzzzeCny6oU>

Yours in faith,
Maureen Griffin
Principal



Peace is built in the heart and from the heart, by eliminating pride and vindictiveness and carefully choosing our words. ~Pope Leo XIV



Screenagers Parent Evening for Gr. 3 to 7 – Monday, June 9th. 7:00 to 8:15 pm. St. Paul school gym. At least one parent from each family is asked to attend.

Hot Lunch – Tomorrow – Fukuroku. May 26th – Brite Minds. May 30th – Triple O's.

Scholastic Book Fair Success! – Please see attachment from Mrs. Kelly.

Track and Field Schedule – Please see Seesaw.

CISVA Track Meet at Swangard – Day 1 – May 28th. Day 2 – June 4th.

School Mass – Thursday, May 29th. Gr. 3 to lead. 9:15 AM in the church.

Assembly – May 30th. Gr. 4 & 2 to lead. 9:00 in the gym. Our Intermediate Choir will perform.

No School – Friday, June 6th. Professional day.

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.

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If your child will be away – A reminder to please email the school (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.

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.

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