

ST VICTOR SCHOOL NEWS

St Victor Catholic School

December 2016

Grade 8 Parent Information Night at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall

There will be a Grade 8 parent information evening at St. Joseph– Scollard Hall on Tuesday, December 6 at 6:00 p.m. (alternate date is Thursday, December 8) . The evening will include a tour of the school, a social and an opportunity to ask questions. The staff and students of St. Joseph- Scollard Hall look forward to meeting with you.

Christmas Concert

Please join us for our annual Christmas Concert on **Tuesday, December 20 at 6:00 pm** in our school gym. If weather conditions require a re-scheduling, the concert will be moved to the following night on December 21. Please enter by the back doors, close to the gym. We will be selling our famous and nutritious soups-in-a-bag for \$5.00 each. Each bag makes 10-12 cups of soup. They would make great hostess gifts, stocking stuffers or a treat for company over the holidays. Please support our Catholic School Advisory Council and their endeavor to raise money for schoolyard equipment for our playground.

Advent Celebrations and Mass

We hold an Advent celebration each Monday at 2:20 pm in our school gym until Christmas. Classes take turns preparing and presenting these short celebrations to learn about ways to prepare for the birth of Jesus. All are welcome to join us for any of these celebrations. On **Monday, December 19 at 9:15 am**, Father Beachey will be leading our advent mass.

Dismissal for the Christmas Break

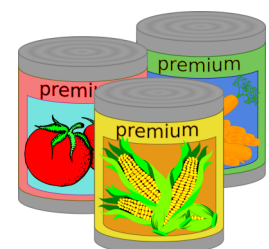
Students will be dismissed at the regular time (3:00 pm) on **Friday, December 23**. School will resume at the regular time (8:45am) on Monday, January 9.

Visitor Sign-In

*To ensure the safety and security of our students, we all visitors to adhere to the sign-in protocol. Please stop by the office upon arrival and sign yourself into our **Visitor Registry Book**, don't forget to sign out on your departure.*

Thank you for Food Bank Donations!

Thank you to everyone for all of the food bank donations that will be helping many area families this holiday season. Our school council has been organizing this food drive and will continue to accept donations until **December 22**. On Dec. 12th a representative from Scotia Bank will be coming to weigh our donations. Scotia Bank will match our donation dollar for pound to our local food bank! What a won-





Advent Begins at St Victor: Tanner Barnes

Winter Inclement Weather

If the buses have been cancelled due to inclement weather and you bring your child to school, please ensure that there is a teacher or staff member at the school to receive your child. If the weather is severe, the teachers may be delayed in arriving at school as well. The staff will make every effort to ensure the safety of your child. As always, if the buses are not running and you send your child to school, you must make arrangements to pick them up at 3:00 p.m.

School Cash Online

School Cash Online is a great way for you to encourage your child to participate in school events and activities, without worrying about cash transactions at school. You can pay online in advance, or the day of the event to ensure your child is able to participate in the school activity. You are encouraged to use this form of payment for **pizza days, , field trips, fundraisers and more!** **We will have an opportunity at the Christmas Concert for you to sign up for this convenient method of payment. The only thing you need to have is a bank account and your child's OEN number which is found on your child's report card or we can provide it to you on this evening. Shortly, all financial transactions will take place ONLY through this system.**

Visit <https://npssc.schoolcashionline.com> for more details.

Kicking It! Math

Our Kicking It! Math program is going strong again this year. Students are moving through their belts in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Students practice at school each day and sometimes at home. Every Friday at 1:00, we gather as a whole school to celebrate student progress by awarding karate-style belts for various bench marks. Ask your child if he/she is progressing as quickly as he/she would like. If they aren't, offer to help them practice at home. The results will be immediate if you dedicate a week to doing this for 15 minutes a night. You are welcome to join us any Friday for our belt presentation as well as to check out where your child is on our tracking wall in the hallway.

REMINDERS

Lost & Found

Many items are already accumulating in our Lost and Found located at the primary door. Please check to see if your child is missing any items when you come to pick up your child.

Cold Weather

Now that colder weather is upon us, please ensure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately with a warm coat or jacket, hats, mitts, boots and coats. It may also be a wise idea to send along extra items such as mittens, hats, socks and pants, especially for younger students.

Fundraiser

Mabel's Labels

www.mabelslabels.com

Support a fundraiser:

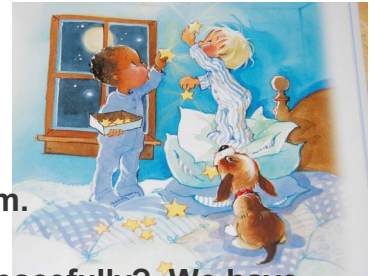
St. Victor, Mattawa

Catholic School Advisory Council

Our next Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC) will be held on January 12 at 5:00 pm to complete the planning for our “Making Bedtime a Dream” evening on January 18. (see more information about this event this newsletter.) The council is always looking for more parents to get involved so we may be contacting you soon! Even if you are available for a few hours here and there, we promise you will have a great time and your children will LOVE seeing you at their school!

Making Bedtime a Dream

Save this Date!!! Wednesday, January 18 at 4:00-6:00 pm.



Would you like to know how to get your child to bed easily and peacefully? We have some great ideas and tricks for you. Three guest speakers will be at our school on January 18 to tell you how to improve your child’s dental health, create routines that make bedtime a dream and make story time engaging and educational. There will also be a bag of goodies to take home that will help you to make bedtime a dream. Our evening will be starting at 4:00 pm with a delicious FREE pasta dinner, followed by our guest speakers. We will also be holding a 50/50 draw to be made at the end of the evening.

This important evening, sponsored by our Catholic School Advisory Council. Please plan to join us and bring a friend or two!

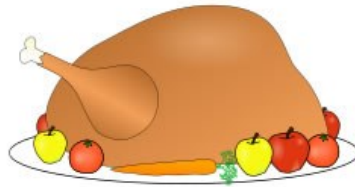
THANK YOU CSAC!

We have such an active and involved CSAC at St Victor School. This council creates so many fun and meaningful events for our school. Thank you to all of our CSAC parents and community representatives for organizing and sponsoring a Christmas movie for the Mattawa community on Saturday, November 26. We had a chance for people to sample our delicious soups-in-a-bag while they waited for the movie to begin and everyone enjoyed a free bag of popcorn while they watched The Santa Clause. We all had such a good time. Thank you again for another memorable event. (Our advertising executives: Rylan, Brent, Elizabeth)



Annual Christmas Lunch and Bake Sale: Thursday, December 22

All families are invited to our annual Christmas Turkey (and Ham) lunch with all the trimmings, prepared and served by members of our Parent Council



(CSAC) and staff. If you are able to make a donation to our bake sale, please feel free to drop your goodies off on December 21 or 22 at the school. A letter and order forms for the lunch will be sent home shortly so that we can plan for the amount of food that we will need. If you are able to help in any way with this fun event, please give us a call at the school.

P.S. There will be a surprise visitor!

Contact Us

Safe Arrival:
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6 Grade 8 Information Night at SJSH (6:00pm)	7	8 Pyjama day with a food donation	9	10
11	12 Picture with Scotia Bank	13	14	15 Stuffy /Toy day with a food donation	16	17
18 	19 9:15 am Advent Mass with Father Beachey	20 Wear your Christmas sweater day Christmas Concert 6:00 pm	21 Snow date for Christmas concert	22 12:00 Turkey Lunch and bake sale / P.M. Christmas movie	23 Last day of school	24
25 Merry Christmas!	 Winter Break 					