



Saint Charles
Catholic School

Principal's Weekly Update - May 15th, 2020

Dear Lord, You have given me so many blessings. I will keep joy in my heart as I thank You, Lord, for every single blessing You've given me. Amen.

How has your week been? It's definitely gone by quickly and I can't believe the May long weekend is here! I'm sure that everyone will appreciate the beautiful weather, as well as an extra day off to spend relaxing with family. Staff are also looking forward to taking time to enjoy the upcoming long weekend and enjoying some much needed rest.

This week, the staff did an on-line Faith Development session with Fr. Eric. We did 3 separate group sessions, which allowed the opportunity for more sharing. Fr. Eric talked about our current situation, and the suffering that we feel when we aren't in control which puts us in a "gray area." We learned that when we are in this gray area, what we are experiencing gives us our biggest growth and transformation, individually and as a school community. For example, the suffering that we are going through as a school community will help us to create a new strength going forward. Sifting through what is important during this crisis, helps us to gain new insights and new perspectives. We're all just "walking each other home." This was the most powerful message of the session, and the staff were extremely grateful to have this opportunity with Fr. Eric.

I had the opportunity to attend the Gr. 5, Gr. 1, KL and KA classroom Zoom meetings this week! It was a lot of fun, and so exciting to see so many smiling faces! In Gr. 5, I got to observe a lesson that was being taught, as well as listen to some sharing. In Gr. 1, I got to join the class in sharing a special photo. In KL, I was invited to bring something special to share, and in KA, I had to bring a stuffy to the meeting! I was also invited to read a story to the Kindergarten classes which will be posted on their classroom websites next Thursday! Thank you to all the students and teachers for the invitations! It's always such a pleasure to see what our students are doing.

Mrs. Prettie and I participated in a Town Hall Meeting on Thursday afternoon with Dr. Roussin and the Dept. of Education. It was a great opportunity to learn more about the current situation that we are in, and we were able to listen to some excellent questions regarding education, and some of the issues schools will be facing in the future, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It was inspiring to be involved in this Town Hall meeting which hosted 1000 participants!

CONGRATULATIONS

I received an email from the Knights of Columbus today letting me know that Meera MacLean, from our KL class, took third place for the Knights of Columbus Colouring Contest in the Preschool and Kindergarten group for Manitoba! This was the contest

that many of our students entered at Christmas time. Meera, along with a few other students, received a book prize award in January for her picture. All the winning pictures went on to the Manitoba competition. Congratulations Meera! We are very proud of you!

SPORTS AWARDS APPLICATIONS

Sports Awards Applications have been “tweaked” due to the COVID-19 pandemic and are on our website for Grs. 4-8. For easier navigation on our website, please go to the Quick Links tab, and you will see the Awards link there.

Deadline for applications: Friday, May 29th, 2020

Applications may be sent to me via email at tnarynski@stccs.ca, or dropped in the school mailbox, by Friday, May 29th, 2020. I will make sure that they get to the Awards Committee. Please note: ***No late applications will be accepted after Friday, May 29th, 2020.***

A FRIENDLY REMINDER: Time Commitments/Expectations

In looking at planning for remote learning, we recognize that it isn't sustainable for parents, particularly those with younger children or still working, to maintain a school day schedule. With that in mind, the province has set minimum expectations for learning time as follows:

Grade	Academic Time
Kindergarten-Grade 4	5 hours/week
Grade 5-8	10 hours/week

Keira's Crusaders Brain Tumour Foundation Walk

Dear Friends,

People affected by a brain tumour should never walk alone.

I'm writing to invite you to join the team, Keira's Crusaders, in support of Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada. We'd love to have you join the national movement to end brain tumours and to honour a very special girl, Keira Bond.

This year, we will come together on one day, from coast to coast to coast! We will all take steps together on June 27, 2020. No matter where you are, who you are with, or how you choose to take steps (walking, dancing, cycling), we will do it together.

We invite you to take steps to #EndBrainTumours as we support, celebrate and remember. We may be physically distant, but we will still come together in a new way through this year's #VirtualBrainTumourWalk. Winnipeg is strong and our spirits resilient. We can do this!

If you can't join us on June 27, you can still help by supporting our team with an online donation towards our fundraising goal. Every dollar counts. Every donation is needed!

Funds raised from Brain Tumour Walk events held across Canada directly benefit patients and families by providing information, support and education - so desperately needed when a diagnosis of brain tumour is made. Dollars raised also go to funding critical research so we can find out what causes brain tumours and how we can more effectively treat them all.

Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada has been providing hope to Canadians affected by a brain tumour for 37 years. With your support, they will continue to provide hope until the cause of and a cure for brain tumours has been found.

Let's build community, share hope and virtual connection using #VirtualBrainTumourWalk

Location: YOU choose

Route: YOU decide

Register: Registration is open! Please register online today!

Date: June 27, 2020

(Join us online, more information to follow)

Our Team Page, Keira's Krusaders, where you can register and/or donate:

https://secure2.convio.net/btfc/site/TR/SpringSprint/General?team_id=7945&pg=team&fr_id=1724

You can learn more about the wonderful family-friendly event at www.braintumourwalk.ca or you can learn more about Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada at www.braintumour.ca.

Sincerely,
Nancy Froystad

*Wishing you a wonderful, restful weekend!
Enjoy your family time.
Tammy*

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