

PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

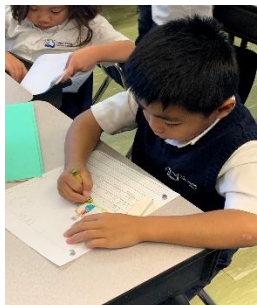


This past week brought a variety of weather conditions, which meant some indoor recesses where students stayed in their classrooms, engaging in games and activities with their peers. The change of scenery was refreshing for many, though we were fortunate to still enjoy some sunny, pleasant days. Outside, our turf area was busy with students, and the new playhouse—complete with furniture—quickly became a popular spot for imaginative play. The new basketball nets saw plenty of action, with students lining up for a turn. 4-square continued to be a schoolyard favorite, while games of tag, soccer, and tag football kept our students active and energized.

Lunch hour was equally lively, with several extracurricular activities keeping students engaged. Volleyball practices were well-attended, and the music room was a hub of creativity with band practices in full swing. Our String Ambassadors and Song Leaders practiced diligently in their weekly sessions, preparing for future performances. Meanwhile, the Running Club remained committed, with a dedicated group of runners hitting their stride each day, displaying tremendous perseverance and enthusiasm.

On the academic side, we've firmly settled into Term 1. Our older students completed assessments in their core subjects and are staying on track with their assignments. Reading groups were formed and are actively engaged in building literacy skills. Weekly spelling tests, including those in French for the older students, challenged our learners and reinforced important language concepts. With routines fully established, there was a focused and determined atmosphere throughout the school, as students and staff worked together toward achieving academic goals.

The building has truly come alive with both learning and play, as we continue moving forward with great energy and commitment!



TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK....

- ✓ There was no school on Monday in recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.
- ✓ Our Hockey Enrichment Program started on Tuesday!
- ✓ Our first Pizza Fundraising Lunch went off without a hitch on Wednesday.
- ✓ Those Grade 6 and 8 students who registered for immunizations had their shots done on Wednesday by a group of WRHA Nurses. Thank you to our parent volunteers.
- ✓ Thursday was our first Early Dismissal of the school year.
- ✓ Our Holy Childhood Assembly was held this morning in our Main Gym. This year we are supporting the country of Chad.
- ✓ Food donations for Manitoba Harvest started this week!
- ✓ The Developmental Boys, Developmental Girls, and Competitive Boys Volleyball Teams all had games this week!
- ✓ Lifetouch orders were due in on Wednesday.
- ✓ Our Cross Country Team had a meet yesterday at Crescent Park Drive.
- ✓ In Music news, our Song Leaders spent this morning at Private Ear Recording Studio where they recorded backup vocals for a track on the upcoming Big Steel Head Band album! An incredible experience for our Song Leaders!

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK...

- Our first Hot Dog/Subway Fundraising Lunch for those students who have signed up is coming up on Wednesday, October 9th – the deadline for ordering and paying for fundraising lunches is 1 week ahead of the next scheduled lunch.
- We are having a Used Uniform Sale on Thursday, October 10th from 2-6 pm in our Front Lobby. Pieces are \$5 each by cash or cheque payable to SCCS – there are no IOU's. If you have used uniforms that you wish to donate back to the school, you can drop them off to the Front Office. THANK YOU!
- Our Grade 8 Retreat is scheduled for Friday, October 11th.
- Check out our school's online calendar for upcoming Competitive and Developmental Boys and Girls Volleyball games.
- Grade 4 Bible Celebration is on October 10th.

LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP...

- ❖ No School or BASC on Monday, October 14th.
- ❖ Musical tryouts begin on October 16th.
- ❖ PAC meeting on October 16th at 6:30PM. Everyone welcome!
- ❖ Wildlife Haven is visiting our school on October 17th.
- ❖ ROOFTOP school photo on October 18th.
- ❖ Spruce Up the School is on October 19th. Please volunteer between 12-3pm!
- ❖ Our first School Mass will be on October 22nd.
- ❖ Raffle tickets are due in by October 24th NO EXCEPTIONS.
- ❖ October 25th is an Inservice Day.
- ❖ The Scholastic Book Fair hits our school the week of October 21st – watch for details!
- ❖ Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for the 4th week of October – watch for sign up details!
- ❖ Our first School Dance is on October 25th for Grade 7&8 students.
- ❖ Black and Orange Colour Day is coming up on October 31st.

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all our cross-country athletes! We are incredibly proud of your dedication and hard work in training and competing, especially for those participating for the very first time. A special shout-out goes to some students who performed exceptionally well, and we'd like to recognize their outstanding achievements:

Grade 7 and 8 Girls:

4th place Selina C. (Grade 7)
3rd place Jessica C. (Grade 8)
2nd place Charlotte G. (Grade 8)
1st place Kaitlyn D-H. (Grade 8)

Grade 7 and 8 Boys:

5th place Logan G. (Grade 8)

Grade 6 Girls:

4th place Adeleigh G.

Grade 6 Boys:

3rd place Oliver M.

Grade 4 Girls:

2nd place Addison D-H.

Grade 4 Boys:

1st place Henrik F.



Next race: October 19th at Harbourview!

TOQUES



SCCS Toques are now available! Place your orders directly here: <https://permission.click/w1n4a/ca>

This is a great way to show school spirit and stay warm. Orders due October 21st and will arrive before the snow. Two styles to choose from!



Important PARKING Information



Thank you to everyone in our community for following the parking protocols and signage to help ensure the safety of everyone. Please do not park in the Winnipeg Transit bus loop at any time.

We are ALWAYS looking for volunteers to help with this initiative. Plus, as a thank you, **FREE BASC** (Before and After School Care) is being offered to our volunteers. You can sign up directly here: [**PARKING LOT & LOADING ZONE PATROL | Monday to Friday**](#)

TERRY FOX

A heartfelt thank you to everyone for your generous donations to the Terry Fox Foundation! This year, our school raised an impressive \$460, and we are truly inspired by the spirit of giving within our community. Every contribution helps to continue Terry's legacy and supports vital cancer research, bringing us one step closer to finding a cure.

Your generosity reflects the values of kindness, compassion, and perseverance that we strive to instill in our students, and we are so proud to see them live out these principles in meaningful ways. Thank you once again for your support and for making this year's Terry Fox fundraiser such a great success!

INDOOR SCHOOL GARDEN



It is growing into something amazing!

Thank you to everyone who has been bringing in plants—they've brought so much joy to our community! Both students and staff truly appreciate them. We're still welcoming donations of houseplants to add to our collection. **If you need a place to store your summer perennials for winter, we would love to look after them as well.** If you have any to contribute, please feel free to bring them to the front office. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

COMMUNICATION

There are many ways to ensure you are staying up to date with the school community.

- ✚ Website: make sure you have a ParentZone account. Also, **subscribe** to the calendar so that everything we post will be sent to your calendar.
- ✚ Instagram: Join our BASC page at **stccsbasc** and the Music pages at **sccs.band_choir** and **sccs.orff_choir**.
- ✚ Facebook and teacher websites

SC FORCE U7-U8 MINI PROGRAM

This program is designed to introduce young children to soccer in a fun and supportive environment.

Cost: \$125 Location: Canlan Sports, 1871 Ellice Ave Winnipeg, MB R3H 0C1

The Mini Program includes 6 sessions on Fridays: 5-6pm

Registration Link: <https://www.rampregistrations.com/login?v3=da19870a6f>

CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

Great news! Two of our sponsoring parishes are offering families the opportunity to sell chocolates to parishioners before and after Mass. This is a fantastic way to sell an entire case in just one day!

We've noticed that when students wear their uniforms, sales tend to go even better 😊. You can sign up through the school website.

Additional boxes of chocolates and raffle tickets are now available at the school office. For every box of chocolates purchased, you'll earn 1 VIP hour, and for every 2 raffle booklets purchased, you'll also receive 1 VIP hour.

BASC

- There is BLINE on Monday & Wednesday.
- Tuesday is the last golf class.
- Thursday is the K-2 Donut Bake.
- November has a Winter craft, Wood Burning and a field trip.

Reminder any student dropped off before 8:15 is sent to BASC which will have a fee.

BASC forms should be submitted before attending BASC. There is also a late fee if past 6PM. Please do text me for last minutes changes. Thanks Ms. Furutani

Any questions or concerns contact 204-880-8245 or email kfurutani@stccs.ca

CRAFT FAIR

Please save the date!



St. Charles Parish

On behalf of the St. Charles Night Committee. We are having our **St. Charles Night** on Saturday, November 2nd which will consist of dinner and entertainment. We are seeking volunteers. Student volunteers are welcome but must be accompanied by a parent.

Please contact, Gloria Anderson, Administrative Assistant of St. Charles Parish at 204-889-3248 by October 22. Thank you!

CATECHISM

If your child would like to join our Catechism program, we offer classes from Grade 2 (**First Communion preparation**) through to Grade 8 (**Confirmation preparation**). We also have Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for children ages 3-6 (Pre-school to Grade 1). These sessions will begin on October 6 and will run from 10:35-11:45 AM in the Atrium on the second floor of the church. All other Catechism classes will start on October 20, from 10:35-11:25 AM at St. Charles School. For more information or to register, please contact Joceline Chase at jocyrf@gmail.com or call/text 204-797-0611.

FOOD DRIVE

SCCS is hosting a Food Drive in partnership with Harvest Manitoba. Large yellow bins will be placed inside the school for your donations, and there will also be a bin in the loading zone for convenient drop-offs.

Here are our top 10 most needed food items:

1. Canned Fruit
2. Canned Soup/Stews
3. Canned Tuna
4. Canned Vegetables
5. Pasta
6. Pasta Sauce
7. Rice
8. Peanut Butter
9. Baby Formula/Food
10. Instant Oatmeal

TRIVIA NIGHT

Mark your calendars for our highly anticipated Trivia Night on November 8th at Assiniboine Downs! It's going to be an exciting evening filled with fun and lots of prizes. Start brushing up on your trivia knowledge and assembling your team—this is an event you won't want to miss! Stay tuned for more details coming next week.

SONG LEADERS



On Friday October 4th, the SCCS Song Leaders spent the morning at **Private Ear Recording Studio** where they recorded backup vocals for a track on The Great Steelhead Band's new album. We are so proud of our students for conducting themselves professionally and for being outstanding ambassadors for our school and the music program.

Mrs. Christelle Gregorchuk

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Will you answer the call for help? All links are available on the school website!

Volunteer Opportunities

WEDNESDAY HOT LUNCH FUNDRAISER

PARKING PATROL | MON – FRI

USED UNIFORM SALE | OCT. 10 | 2-6PM

ST PAUL THE APOSTLE CHOCOLATE & RAFFLE SALES | SEPT. & OCT.

CHOCOLATE SALES @OLPH | OCT. 12 | 9:30-10AM

SPRUCE UP THE SCHOOL | OCT. 19 | 9-3PM CHOOSE YOUR OWN HOURS

CHOCOLATE & RAFFLE TICKET SALES @OLPH CRAFT FAIR | NOV. 23-24



TURF CAMPAIGN

Today, each family received an envelope announcing the official launch of our turf campaign! There are several ways to contribute, and we are asking for the support of every SCCS family to help make this campaign a success. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support!

 Saint Charles Catholic School

From the Ground up

Help us transform our school field where the students and our community can play, learn, and thrive.



Investing in Our New School Artificial Field

Join our mission to raise \$250,000 for a new school field. With your support, we'll transform dreams into reality, providing a safe, state-of-the-art space for our students to play, learn, and grow. Every contribution counts. Be a part of our journey today!

Fielding Greatness

Your donation paves the way for a vibrant school community, fostering health, teamwork, and lifelong memories. Together, we can create a dynamic space where every child can thrive. Your support makes a lasting impact. Donate today!



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 Saint Charles Catholic School

We Need Your Help

Join us in raising funds for a new school turf field! This much-needed upgrade will provide our students with a safe, durable space for sports and outdoor activities, enhancing their physical health and fostering a stronger school community.



Our Goal

Our goal is to fundraise \$250,000 for a new school turf field! Your donation will create a safe, high-quality space for students to engage in sports and outdoor activities, promoting health, teamwork, and school spirit. Every contribution brings us closer to transforming our students' experiences.

Donate Today



HELP BUILD OUR PLAYGROUND

The turf is our first phase, with plans for further improvements to our space in the future as money allows. The funds from the chocolate and raffle sales as well as the Wednesday Fun Lunch over the next 2 years are earmarked toward this project. We have also developed a turf campaign and sponsorship package as we require additional support to move further on our playground improvements.



PHASE TWO:

Outdoor classroom with seating
Sitting area for recess

FINAL DESIGN MAY VARY

PLEDGE TODAY



"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving." Colossians 3:23-24

This passage encourages putting forth our best effort in everything we do, which reflects the students' commitment to their academics, extracurriculars, and community life at St. Charles. It also serves as a reminder that all our work is done in service to God, aligning with the school's Catholic mission.

Have a great weekend!



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