## PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We have completed our first full week of school, and what a wonderful week it has been. The halls and classrooms at St. Charles have been busy with students working hard, building friendships, and settling into routines that will carry us through the year ahead.

As I walk through classrooms each day, I see students engaged and teachers guiding them with care and dedication. This week, I want to give a special welcome to our youngest learners — our Kindergarten students. We are so happy you are here. Starting school is such an important milestone, and we are excited for all the learning, growth, and joyful moments that await you this year.

Thank you to our families for your continued support as we begin this new school year together.

# "Let all that you do be done in love."







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

- ✓ Advisory Groups
- ✓ PAC Meeting
- √ Kinder Meet and Greet

#### LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK...

- PML Term 1 begins on Monday
- Enrichment begins on Tuesday for MY's students
- Lifetouch Picture Day on Wednesday
- Meet the Teacher on Wednesday at 630 pm

#### LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP...

- ➤ Our first School Mass across the street at St. Charles Parish on September 23rd at 1030 am ALL ARE WELCOME! PLEASE JOIN US!
- Christian Service Day on September 26th
- > Terry Fox Day on September 26th
- Colour Day on September 26th
- > Orange Shirt Colour Day on September 29th
- National Day for Truth & Reconciliation No School/No BASC on September 30th
- Fundraising Lunches begin October 1st
- 230 pm Early Dismissal on October 2nd

## PARKING REMINDER



To help keep drop-off and pick-up times safe and efficient, please follow these guidelines:

- Do not park in the loading zone. This area is for drop-off and pick-up only, and drivers must remain in their vehicles.
- Do not park in the bus loop at any time.
- Please do not block driveways or the golf course entrance.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school grounds safe and accessible for all.

## **HOT LUNCH FUNDRAISER – STARTING OCTOBER 1**



We are excited to launch this year's Hot Lunch Fundraiser, running every Wednesday from October 1 to May 27.

All orders must be placed through MunchALunch at www.munchalunch.com.

- If you are new, please create an account and follow the directions online.
- Returning families may continue using their existing accounts.

## **Important Dates:**

- First due date for orders (for October 1 lunch) is Wednesday, September 24, 2025.
- Orders must be placed and paid one week in advance. Any orders not completed by the cutoff will be cancelled.

If you have questions, please contact fundraising@stccs.ca.

Thank you for supporting this important fundraiser, and a special thank you to Lauren and the fundraising team for coordinating this program.

## CHILD ABUSE REGISTRY CHECK (CARC)

As required by the Archdiocese, <u>all volunteers</u> must have a cleared Child Abuse Registry Check (CARC) on file each school year. Applications were sent home this week and must be submitted to the Front Office with valid ID. There is no cost to families. New parents may not volunteer until their clearance is received. Returning parents who had a CARC on file last year and submit a new one for this year may continue volunteering during the carry-over period. Processing takes 6–8 weeks, so please submit your application as soon as possible to avoid delays in volunteering.

## COMMUNICATION DEVICE POLICY

Cell phones, iPads, tablets, and Smartwatches (all communication devices) can be distracting in a classroom setting and are not permitted for use during school hours (7:00 AM – 6:00 PM). These items must be kept in lockers during this time.communication devices) can be distracting in a classroom setting and are not permitted for use during school hours (7:00 AM – 6:00 PM). These items must be kept in lockers during this time.

#### **WEBSITE UPDATES**



Please remember to refresh your browser when visiting our school website. We have made many updates over the summer, and without refreshing you may be seeing cached information instead of the most current updates. The **school calendar** for is available online. You need Parent Zone access. Please contact the school office for access. This calendar is updated regularly and changes can be made. Please subscribe to our calendar so you can stay informed!



Hockey Skills Enrichment Program
An exciting opportunity for students in Grade 6-8!

Link to register: https://permission.click/3zryB/ca

## AFTER SCHOOL DISMISSAL

A friendly reminder that parents are responsibility for supervising their children from 325-340PM if they are playing on school grounds.



- Monday BLINE begins
- Tuesday Golf
- Wednesday Cheer begins
- Thursday Craft (spots still available)

## Reminders:

- A BASC form and payment must be submitted before attending any program.
- Families whose children attend any after-school BASC program will need a fob to enter the building after 4:00 PM.

If you have any questions about BASC, please feel free to contact me. Kim Furutani

#### **CHOCOLATES & RAFFLE BOOKLETS**



Due to unforeseen circumstances with our chocolate distributor, our order has been delayed. As a result, we are holding off on distributing the raffle booklets until the chocolates have arrived. We will share the new pick-up dates for both the chocolates and raffle booklets as soon as the delivery is confirmed.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.



It's the 45th anniversary of Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope. This year, our school is going all out to fundraise for cancer research! We're super excited to take part! Please support our student's fundraising efforts and donate today.

St. Charles Catholic School Fundraising Page: <a href="https://schools.terryfox.ca/StCharlesCatholicSchoolWinnipeg">https://schools.terryfox.ca/StCharlesCatholicSchoolWinnipeg</a> Thank you in advance for your support.

#### **PUFFERS / EPI-PENS / MEDICATIONS**

If your child requires an asthma puffer, epi-pen, seizure medication, or other prescribed medication, please ensure it is provided to the school as outlined on their Medical Form.

Epi-pens must always be carried by the child in a fanny pack or cross-body pack, with no exceptions. Puffers may be carried in the same way or stored in the Front Office Medical Cabinet. Backpacks, desks, or lockers should not be used to store emergency medication. Families are encouraged to provide a back-up puffer or epi-pen to be kept in the Medical Cabinet. Any short-term medications (such as antibiotics) must be brought to the Front Office by a parent/guardian, and staff will administer as directed. Students should never carry oral medications at school.



Please join us on **Wednesday, September 17th at 6:30 PM** in the school gym for a short information presentation for all parents.

Students are welcome to attend but must remain with their parents throughout the evening. Following the presentation, you are invited to visit classrooms and learning spaces to meet teachers and staff. A reception will also be held in the cafeteria.

We look forward to seeing our families there. This evening is a wonderful opportunity to connect with staff, visit your child's learning spaces, and meet other parents in our school community.

## **TURF CAMPAIGN**

We are asking for your help! So far, we have raised \$97 095. Amazing!



You can track our progress on the website

Have a great weekend.

# **Aneta Prettie PRINCIPAL**

