# PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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

- Advisory
- Kinder Open House
- Grades 5-8 Manitoba Moose Hockey Game field trip
- Pizza Fundraising Lunch
- Grades 1-2 Manitoba Museum field trip
- SCCS Christmas Market Craft Fair on Saturday

## LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK...

- Advent begins on Sunday
- PML Term 2 begins on Monday
- Enrichment on Tuesday
- ❖ PML Lunch Hour Recital on Tuesday from 1135 am 1230 pm
- Grades 5 8 Reconciliation on Wednesday
- PML Recital on Wednesday at St. Mark's Lutheran Church from 430-830 pm
- Wednesday Subway/Hot Dog Fundraising Lunch
- 230 pm Early Dismissal on Thursday
- Report Cards distributed on Thursday
- PowerSchool re-opens on Thursday
- St. Nicholas Day Assembly on Friday
- Raffle Draw on Friday

## LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP...

- ✓ Grades 6-8 Band Concert on December 9th at St. Andrews River Heights Church
  at 630 pm
- √ Wednesday Pizza Fundraising Lunch on December 10th
- ✓ Musical Candygrams closes on December 12th

### **RAFFLE TICKETS**

Raffle tickets are overdue! Please return all raffle ticket stubs immediately to the front office for accounting purposes. Thank you to those who have already turned them in. We are also looking for help to count the tickets. Please use the link to volunteer:

RAFFLE TICKET RECONCILIATION OPPORTUNITIES December 2nd or 3rd and after December 5th, 2025

### **ADVENT**



This Sunday marks the start of Advent, a special time of preparation as we ready our hearts for the joy of Christmas. Beginning Monday, each grade will lead a weekly prayer service that includes readings, reflections, prayers, and song. One of the most meaningful moments is lighting the candles on the Advent wreath-a beautiful symbol of hope and anticipation. These gatherings help us pause, reflect, and celebrate the true spirit of the season together as a school community.

### PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS RECITAL



Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
600 Cambridge Street (River Heights)
3 sessions:

- 4:30-5:15
- 5:45–7:00
- 7:30-8:30

### MUSICAL CANDY CANE FUNDRAISER

Spread a little Christmas cheer while supporting our school musical. You can order a special candy cane for your child, a friend, classmates, or even a favourite teacher!

Each candy cane is \$1 and comes with a festive Christmas tag. Candy canes will be delivered to classrooms on Tuesday, December 16th.

All orders must be submitted by Friday, December 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Please use the Permission Click link below to place your order:

https://permission.click/rVpNg/ca

Thank you for supporting the musical and helping us make this season bright!

### **BAND CONCERT**



Students in Grades 6-8 have their Band Concert at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 9th, at St. Andrews River Heights United Church, 255 Oak Street. Parents are responsible for ensuring students arrive at the church. Doors will open at 6PM. Students attending the band concert are asked to wear their best school uniforms and are responsible for ensuring they come prepared with their instruments and music. Percussion instruments will be transported to the church for percussionists by school staff.

### **MOOSE GAME**

A huge thank you to our incredible teachers for planning and organizing such a fantastic field trip for our Grades 5–8 students this week! We also appreciate the parent volunteers who joined us—your support made the day even more special.

This experience wasn't just about fun; it was part of our commitment to student well-being through the True North Foundation's Project 11 program, which promotes mental health awareness and resilience. What a meaningful and memorable day for our students!





### **COMPETITIVE BOYS TEAM**

The boys finished with a record of 4 wins and 4 losses in the regular season, finishing 5<sup>th</sup> out of 10 teams. The boys finished their season strong and made it to the final four playing in the playoff weekend at St. Paul's high school. Mr. Vechina

### **DEVELOPMENTAL BOYS TEAM**



Ending the season 3-3. I am very proud of how the boys developed in the season.

Mrs. Van Helvert



## **COMPETITIVE GIRLS TEAM**

The team showed a lot of progress this season. They wrapped up their season by playing their best game of the season during playoffs. Mrs. Chliboyko and Ms. Copeland



## **DEVELOPMENTAL GIRLS TEAM**



The developmental volleyball team had a great season filled with growth, grit, and team spirit! Mrs. Froystad & Ms. McEvoy

## **PARKING REMINDER**

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school grounds safe and accessible for all. To help support this effort, we are looking for parent volunteers to assist with our parking lot and loading zone patrol.

Please sign up using the link below: 2025-2026 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED | PARKING LOT &

# **LOADING ZONE PATROL**

The crosswalk near the church: you cannot pass the lineup of cars that are waiting for patrols or waiting for the loading zone. Please be patience and wait in line and DO NOT PASS vehicles at any time.

Parking: Please do not park or block our neighbours' driveways.

Your support makes a real difference in ensuring safety for our students and families.

### **TEACHER GIFTS**



Join our St. Charles tradition of Homeroom Teacher Gifts from the Class! Participation is voluntary, and any amount is appreciated. Monetary donations due Wednesday, Dec. 3.

#### Donate:

- Online: <a href="https://permission.click/GwVrY/ca">https://permission.click/GwVrY/ca</a>
- Cash/Cheque: Envelope labeled with teacher's name, "Christmas Gift Donation," and student's last name. Please note: Gifts for other staff should be done individually.

Thank you for your generosity! Contact your class rep with questions.

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Will take place on Tuesday, December 16th at 6:30 PM at Portage Avenue Church (1420 Portage Avenue). There will be no matinee performance. The concert will also be live streamed for those unable to attend. Our students and staff have been working hard—please save the date, as your family's presence helps make the evening special.



Join us for the **ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL CRAFT FAIR** is on SATURDAY from 10:00–3:00!

Enjoy a wonderful day of local vendors, handmade goods, delicious treats, and our festive hot chocolate bar.

It's the perfect way to start your Christmas shopping while supporting our school community.

331 St. Charles Street - We can't wait to see you there!

### **CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**

Our Christmas food hamper drive kicks off next week (Dec. 1st - Dec. 15th)! We are collecting food items for 10 families from one of our parishes. Please find attached a document detailing what each class is asked to contribute. Donations can be dropped off in the front entrance.

KF/KL: Size 4 diapers, Jello, rice

Gr. 1-2: cookies, stuffing

Gr: 2 gravy mix, peanut butter

Gr. 3-4: jam, canned fruit, scalloped potatoes

Gr. 5F: cereal, pancake mix

Gr 6: cranberry sauce, bagged candy

Gr. 8: fruit juice, cake mix

Gr.1: mac and cheese, tea

Gr. 3: canned spaghetti, oatmeal

Gr. 4: coffee, syrup, canned vegetables

Gr. 5M: cereal, sugar

Gr. 7 A/B: spaghetti sauce, pork and beans, canned soup



#### **HOT LUNCH FUNDRAISER**



- Reminder: All orders must be placed through Munch-a-Lunch at <a href="https://www.munchalunch.com">www.munchalunch.com</a> ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE.
- If you have questions, please contact <u>fundraising@stccs.ca</u>.
- EVERY WEDNESDAY we need volunteers, please sign up using the link below: Volunteer for Wednesday Fundraising Lunches 2025

### **BASC**

BLINE will run on both Monday and Wednesday next week

There are still a few spots available in the Christmas Craft session.

BLINE testing is scheduled for Monday, December 15th.



January forms will be sent home soon, with new sessions beginning for Cheer and BLINE, along with a new Cooking session and a Craft option.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Furutani.

## **TURF CAMPAIGN**

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

You can track our progress on the website



Wishing you all a great weekend.

### **Aneta Prettie PRINCIPAL**

