

PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Our school musical takes center stage this Monday, and we invite our entire community to come out and support our talented students and dedicated staff. They have worked incredibly hard, and the result is a wonderful production that the whole family will enjoy.

This Monday is the last day to purchase tickets, which are available at the school only. Please note that tickets will not be sold at the Winnipeg Art Gallery. Showtimes are 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., with tickets priced at \$10. Doors open one hour before.

We hope to see you there as we celebrate the creativity, commitment, and spirit of our school community. You can also support our Musical program by purchasing tickets for our musical basket raffle. Raffle tickets are \$2 each and are available through the school office or at WAG on May 4.

We are also looking for someone who will be attending the musical on Monday evening and is able to [volunteer to bring the props back to the school](#). VIP hours are available for this support. Please contact Ms. Furutani if you have any questions.

TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK...

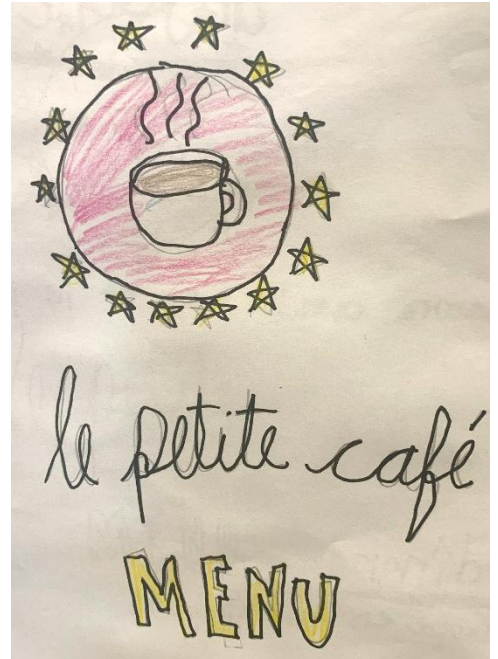
- K-2 & Grade 6 Star Dome Presentations
- Grade 7 & 8 Badminton Tournament
- Advisory
- PML Lunch Hour Recital
- Musical Performance Assembly
- Subway/Hot Dog Fundraising Lunch
- Musical practices
- Uniform Fitting Days
- Rooftop School Photo

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK...

- Monday no milk or meal program
- Musical at the Winnipeg Art Gallery on Monday
- Enrichment on Tuesday
- Grade 3 and 3-4 field trip
- Wednesday Pizza Fundraising Lunch
- Grade 5 & 6 Camp Manitou on Thursday & Friday
- 230 pm Early Dismissal on Thursday
- Kinder Mother's Day Tea on Friday
- Freezie Sale on May 8th

LOOK WHAT'S COMING UP...

- Milk Spirit Week May 11th to 15th
- Grade 6 & 8 Immunization Day on May 11th
- School Mass on May 12th at 1030 am ALL ARE WELCOME!
- Wednesday Subway/Hot Dog Fundraising Lunch
- Winnipeg Police Services presentations on safety/bullying/cyber bullying on May 14th for K-2, 3-6, 7-8



SCCS GOLF TOURNAMENT

This year's SCCS Golf Tournament takes place on May 21, and we are hoping for strong community support to make it a success as this is a fundraiser for the school!

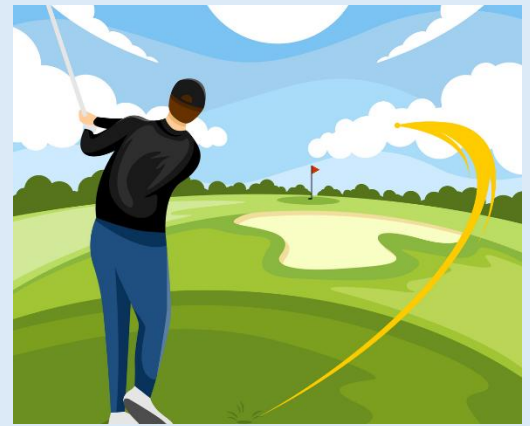
Golfers: Register as a team of four. If you do not have a full team, please let us know and we will help pair you with others. See: [Golfer-REGISTRATION-2026.pdf](#)

Prizes & Donations: We are collecting quality items to create themed auction baskets (outdoors, home, men, women, children, and more). Gift certificates, high-value items, and themed donations are greatly appreciated. Each \$30 donation counts as one volunteer hour. We are also in need of wine bottles for our wine raffle.

Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers to assist on the day of the tournament. Please reach out if you are available to help.

Sponsors: If you own a business and can sponsor the tournament, we would be grateful for your support. Sponsorship includes a tax receipt, signage, and advertising at the event. See: [SCCS-Sponsorship-PACKAGE-2026.pdf](#)

If you have not yet returned your Golf Tournament Contribution Form, please do so as soon as possible. For questions or to get involved, please contact Andrea Siwak at andreasiwak@shaw.ca.



VIP Hours



Please ensure VIP hours are entered in a timely manner and check carefully to avoid duplicate submissions. Many families still have outstanding hours that have not yet been entered. If you are looking for volunteer opportunities check out the **red links** throughout the Update. They are also featured on our website. Here is the direct link to Parent Zone: www.stccs.ca

HOT LUNCH FUNDRAISER



Our Wednesday hot lunch fundraiser continues!

Reminder: All orders must be placed through Munch-a-Lunch at www.munchalunch.com ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE.

If you have questions, please contact fundraising@stccs.ca. We also are in need and have many volunteer opportunities available: **[VOLUNTEER for WEDNESDAY FUNDRAISING LUNCHES 2026](#)**

TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



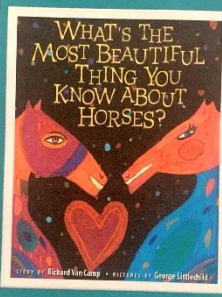
Our Bursary tuition applications are available online for the 2026-2027 school year. Please submit all completed applications to the school office by May 15, 2026. The forms can be found on Parent Zone under Forms & Programs.

Tuition assistance is available for families, and those wishing to apply must complete and submit all required documentation as part of the application process. We are committed to supporting families and encourage anyone with questions to contact the school office.


Several field trips are coming up. If your family requires financial assistance to ensure your child can participate, please do not hesitate to administration. We are committed to working with families to ensure all students can take part in these meaningful learning experiences.

INDIGENOUS LEARNING & ART

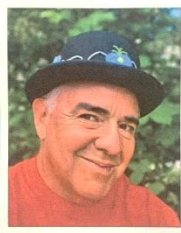
Students in the Grade 3, 3/4, and 4 groups explored art and storytelling through *The Most Wonderful Thing About Horses* by Richard Van Camp, illustrated by Cree artist George Littlechild. After closely examining the book's illustrations, students discussed the use of **pattern**, **bold colour** choices, and the **balance** between **realistic** and **dreamlike** imagery.




“My art is charged with energy & color, vibrant, magical, & thus enabling the soul to travel.”

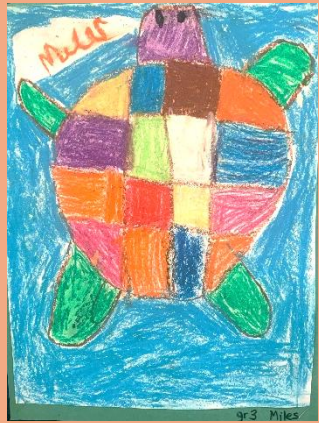
George Littlechild, Plains Cree Artist



“I envision, I rely on the intuitive, the spiritual, the emotional. To tell stories through my art I am a storyteller, a visualist. A conveyer of messages...”



“As an artist...it is my job to show the **pride, **strength** and **beauty** of First Nations people and cultures, and contribute to the betterment of mankind.”**



PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF SAFETY REMINDER



We continue to see cars parked in the bus loop. Please **DO NOT PARK** or **WAIT IN YOUR VEHICLE** in the bus loop! You will be ticketed. For everyone's safety, please use only the designated loading zone, parking lot, behind the church or any side streets for student drop-off and pick-up. Your cooperation helps keep all students and families safe.

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**](#)

PML News



Year-End Recitals: We are in the final weeks of private music lessons and are excited to celebrate our students at the year-end recital series on Wednesday, June 3, held at St. Mark's Lutheran Church (600 Cambridge Street, River Heights).

- 4:30–5:30 p.m. — Students of Renate, Lorilee, and Maya
- 6:00–7:00 p.m. — Students of Elizabeth, Julianne, and Erin
- 7:30–8:30 p.m. — Students of Rod, Andrew, Kyle, and Melissa

Registration for 2026–2027: 30-minute private music lessons for the 2026–2027 school year is now open and can be completed using the following link: <https://permission.click/gNjPZ/ca>.

45-minute lessons will be offered at the teacher's discretion, with the registration link shared directly by email. Important deadline: Existing PML students must register by May 15 to secure their current lesson spot for next year. Additional information is available on the PML page of the Parent Portal. For questions, please contact Melissa Gingrich at mgingrich@stccs.ca.

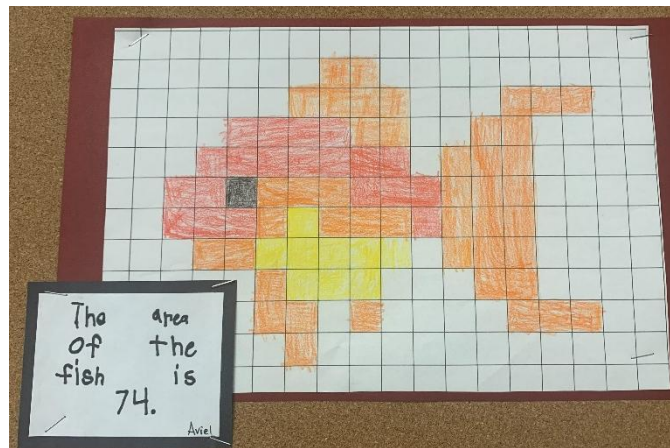
TRACK & FIELD



Our school Track & Field meet will take place on May 22 at John Taylor Collegiate. All Grade 4-8 students will be participating in this school activity. We are seeking parent volunteers to assist with events throughout the day from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **If you are available and interested in volunteering, please contact Mr. Vechina at jvechina@stccs.ca** to sign up. We are currently in need of volunteers for the following events:

- Long Jump (3 volunteers)
- Ball Throw (3 volunteers)
- Shot Put (3 volunteers)
- Discus (3 volunteers)

If you prefer a specific event, please indicate this in your email. Thank you!



BASC

- Tuesday: Golf begins
- Wednesday: WISE begins



There are still spaces available for the Father's Day Craft as well as the full-day BASC field trip on Friday, June 5.

This is the final week to submit forms for Summer Care. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Furutani

SCIENCE RENDEZVOUS 2026



Science Rendezvous returns on Saturday, May 9, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the University of Manitoba Fort Garry campus.

This free, annual event is Manitoba's largest hands-on science and engineering festival and is open to everyone—no registration required. With over 60 interactive booths, exciting science shows, and a mix of high-energy activities alongside quieter spaces, there is something for children of all ages and interests. Families are encouraged to explore, ask questions, and discover science in a fun, welcoming environment. Maps and guides are available online to help plan your day.

Please visit: [maps and guides on our website.](#)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GARAGE SALE – ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE



The St. James Knights of Columbus are hosting their annual garage sale at St. Paul the Apostle Church. Sale Dates & Times: Saturday, May 9: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. and Sunday, May 10: 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

- Donation Drop-Off (at the Parish Hall only): Wednesday, May 6 & Thursday, May 7: 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Friday, May 8: 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Please do not bring donations before May 6.*

- Items Accepted: Working appliances and electronics, gently used clothing and shoes, Household linens and décor, small kitchen appliances, Games, toys, sporting goods, tools, bikes, small furniture (chairs, tables, lamps)
- Items Not Accepted: Upholstered furniture, Suitcases, Computers, stereos, or game consoles, Any items not in good working condition
- Volunteers Needed for sorting, setup, sales, and pickups. To volunteer or arrange a pickup, contact Charles Huygbeart at 431-279-5810.

2026–2027 School Year Key Dates

Still more dates to come regarding Statutory holidays, Inservice Days, and Early Dismissals.

First Day of School for students	September 9, 2026
Last Day Before Christmas Break	December 18, 2026
Students Return After Break	January 4, 2027
Grade 7 & 8 Exams	February 1-5, 2027
No School / No BASC – Good Friday	March 26, 2027
Spring Break / NO BASC	March 29 – April 2, 2027
No School / No BASC – Easter Monday (in lieu of March 29)	April 5, 2027
Victoria Day	May 24, 2027
Last Day of School	June 30, 2027

TURF CAMPAIGN

We are asking for your help! So far, we have raised **\$108,095**. Amazing!

You can track our progress on the website and donate. There is also an attached QR code below.

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.



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!

2024

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

PLEDGE TODAY



FINAL DESIGN MAY VARY

Have a great weekend!

Aneta Prettie PRINCIPAL

