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SPECIAL INTEREST ARTICLES:

- PRAYERIMPORTANTDATES
- > SoloLunch



June 30

Sept 5

PA Day

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!



We have extreme allergies at our school. All staff, students, parents and visitors to the school are not to wear fragrance when coming to our school. If fragrance is detected, we will have to ask that you leave the school, or wait outside if you are coming to pick up a student. We also have nut allergies at the school and nut products cannot be brought into the school. Thank you for your help in keeping our school community healthy and safe.

Important Dates

	Extreme Pita's Mondays & Pizza Thursdays
May 29-Jun 1	Gr. 3 EQAO
June 2	PA Day - Schools Closed for Students
June 3	Confirmation at Holy Spirit Parish 5:00 p.m.
Jun 5	Dance Showcase 1:10 p.m.
June 6	NIC Track & Field Day (June 7 Rain Date)
June 8	India Presentation from JOA Students at NIC (for Gr. 7/8) (9:30 a.m.)
June 12	JOA Track & Field Day (June 13 Rain Date)
June 13	School Photo for All Students & Staff - 2:00 p.m.
June 14-16	Gr. 8 Students to Camp Wenonah
June 15	JK/SK to Rounds Ranch
June 15	Ms. Torrance & Mrs. Raposo's classes to Toronto Zoo
June 18	Happy Father's Day!
June 19	Mr. Martel, Mrs. Thompson, Mme Green, & all Gr. 7's to Tiffin Centre
June 20	Year End Mass at Holy Spirit - 10:00 a.m Parents Welcome
June 21	National Aboriginal Day
June 21	Volunteer Luncheon - 11:00 a.m 12:15 p.m.
June 21	Parent Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m. All Parents Welcome
June 22	First Day of Summer!
June 22	Good News Assembly - 9:35 a.m.
June 23	Gr. 8 Graduation - 6:30 p.m. at Joan of Arc High School
June 26	Report Cards Sent Home
June 27	Mrs. Keery & Ms. Palombi Class to Elmvale Zoo
June 28	Talent Show Rehearsal 9:30 a.m.
June 28	Talent Show Performance 1:00 p.m. (All Students, Parents and Guests Invited)
	Students cannot be called up to leave school after the Performance.
	Dismissal Time is 3:30 p.m.
June 29	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

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Catholic School Community Council

Our last meeting date for the year is on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the library. If you have not been to a meeting yet, please feel free to come and see what the Council is all about. September is a new year and we are looking for volunteers! We need **YOU**!

Congratulations! Mrs. Da Luz & Mrs. Taylor Receive Inclusion Excellence Award 2017!

Congratulations go out to Mrs. Taylor & Mrs. Da Luz on being selected as recipients of the Simcoe County Service Inclusion Excellence Award 2017. Both Mrs. Taylor and Mrs Da Luz can be seen on a daily basis working with our students in their role as Educational Assistants. Simcoe Community Services applauds the exceptional efforts of both students and staff members in Education in Simcoe County who exemplify inclusion by seeing possibilities and opportunities for those who have an intellectual disability. These award recipients have shown a genuine desire to see all students become contributing members of their school community. Mrs. Da Luz and Mrs. Taylor were recognized at a special school board meeting held on May 31st.

Registration/Moving?

It's Registration Time Welcome to Kindergarten

Starting Kindergarten is an exciting and special time for parents and children. Our entire Catholic school community looks forward to welcoming our youngest students as they begin a lifelong journey of faith-filled learning. We believe there is something truly unique and special about learning that is rooted in faith and spiritual growth. By choosing a faith-filled education, we know you share that belief with us.

Moving? New Registrations?

We are in the process of making plans for the 2017-2018 school year. If you are moving out of the St. Nicholas area, please let us know. If you know of someone who will be attending St. Nicholas School in September, please have them contact the school office.

Volunteering

As we approach the time of field trips and activities within the school, this is a reminder that a current Criminal Background Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening must be on file at the school. If you are thinking that you may like to volunteer with any of the activities happening at NIC, please remember that these two items must be on file with the school. Forms, which are available at the office, must be taken to the Police Services Office in the area that you live in. Please note that it can take up to four weeks for the local police to complete checks. Criminal Background Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening are valid for one year.



Fragrance & Sunscreen

Summer weather is here! It is important to remember that we are a scent free school and our school board as a whole strives to be scent free. There are staff members as well as students who have severe reactions to scent and fragrances. When coming to the school, whether it is for meetings, team sports, picking up your child for appointments or at the end of the day, please remember not to wear fragrance. We will have to ask visitors to the school to wait outside if picking students up or reschedule appointments if fragrance/scent is detected. There have also been times that we have had to call parents to pick students up due to a fragrance worn. Below is information about Sunscreen as well.

Sunscreen Reminder!

Sunscreen is important for everyone to wear on days that the UV Index is high. At St. Nicholas School, we have staff members and students who have a severe allergy to scented products and fragrances. Sunscreen is available in scent and fragrance free form and we would respectfully ask that when you purchase sunscreen for your child/family, you look for the scent/fragrance free product. Please ensure that your child has scent-free sunscreen on prior to coming to school. Unscented sunscreen can be purchased at most department stores, grocery stores and pharmacies. Please note that products to avoid when purchasing sunscreen have fragrance or parfume/perfume listed in the ingredients.





SPECIAL INTEREST ARTICLES:

- > CSCC
- MRS DA LUZ & MRS.TAYLOR AWARD WINNERS!
- > REGISTRATION
- MOVING?
- VOLUNTEERING
- FRAGRANCE



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Office News

Appropriate Dress

Now that the warm weather is here, this would be an appropriate time to discuss with your child the **Appropriate Dress Guidelines** which can be found in the student agendas:

- Slogans or images on t-shirts, hats or any other accessories must not take away from the dignity of any individual or conflict with Christian values. Images portraying alcohol, sexual connotations, racism and violence are not acceptable.
- Strapless or revealing tops are not permitted. Students from Grades 4 to 8 may not wear tops with spaghetti straps. Shoulder straps must be at least two fingers in width.
- Shorts, skirts, skorts and dresses must be no shorter than mid-thigh.
- Pants, skirts, skorts and shorts must be worn at waist level.
- Clothing must cover the midriff i.e., tops and bottoms must overlap at all times --sitting, standing, moving, bending etc.
- Net, sheer or muscle shirts are not allowed.
- Cut-off or torn jeans are not permitted.
- Hats, toques, hoods and sunglasses must be removed upon entry into the building or classroom.
- No gang-related clothing or accessories are permitted, i.e. bandanas, chains, colours.

September Start!

The first day of school for all SK to Gr. 8 students will be Tuesday, September 5, 2017. Class lists will not be available before students come to school on the 5th. On the first day of school, students and parents are permitted to go to the back playground and see who the teacher is together. Unfortunately, if it rains, we will not be able to have parents go into the gym with their child to see who their teacher is. Parents will need to wait until the end of the day when they pick up their child, or they come home on the bus. Changes will not be made to classrooms during the first week of school, and even then, changes will only happen due to changes in enrolment.

School Happenings

Kidney Clothes Donation Program

Thank you to everyone who donated clothing and gently used items to the Kidney Clothes Donation Program. Not only did we donate to a great cause, we also raised some funds for the school. Just a reminder, that we will be doing another drive during the next school year. We received the following note from the Donation Program: "Great Fundraising!! Pleasure working with St. Nicholas again this year." Thank you to Ms. Moreira for organizing!

Field Trips

All of our students will be attending one field trip in June. Part of the costs of these field trips is provided by the Provincial Ministry of Education, Outdoor Education Funds. Don't forget to mark down the date for your child's trip. Please note that if a field trip falls on a Thursday (our pizza day), those students will receive their pizza on Friday.



Dance Team Showcase Monday, June 5, 2017

The St. Nicholas Dance Team will be performing on Monday, June 5th. The team has been working hard to perfect their team dance as well as their own individual solos. A big thank you goes out to team captains Keely Hussey and Elena Bairaktaris for choreographing the dance as well as their dedication to the team. Great job! Thank you Ms. Bekking and Ms. Thompson for your guidance!

Grade 8 Grad! Friday, June 23, 2017!

Our Grade 8's will be celebrating their Graduation on Friday, June 23rd. The ceremonies will commence at 6:30 p.m., St. Joan of Arc Catholic High School. We are looking for Grade 7 parents to help with the Graduation set up as well as providing light refreshments for the reception after the ceremony. If you are able to help, please contact the office. This will allow our grade 8 students and their parents, families and friends to enjoy the grad.



TALENT

St. Nicholas School has Talent! Wednesday, June 28, 2017

Parents, family and friends are invited to the St. Nicholas School Talent show to be held on June 28th at 1:00 p.m. Please note, that we are unable to call students to leave after the show. They will be dismissed at 3:30 p.m.

SPECIAL INTEREST ARTICLES:

- APPROPRIATE DRESS
- SEPTEMBER START
- THANKS FROM KIDNEY FOUNDATION
- FIELD TRIPS
- DANCE TEAM
- GRADE 8 GRAD
- TALENT SHOW









Holy Spirit Parish Link: Welcome to Holy Spirit

