

# ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL - FEBRUARY 2019

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During the month of February, we celebrate the virtue of Compassion. We practice compassion when we:

- ❖ Are helpful to a person or animal in need
- ❖ Notice when someone is hurt or needs a friend
- ❖ Imagine how another person might be feeling
- ❖ Take time to show we care
- ❖ Forgive others when they make mistakes
- ❖ Reach out to share resources and skills

kindergarten  
registration



St. John School is currently accepting FDK registrations for September 2019. **Registration is now available online.** Packages can also be picked up in the main office. For more information please call 705-693-2213.



When teachers and parents work together with mutual respect and caring, children achieve more at school and are happier to be here.

Term One Report Cards (FDK – Grade 8) will be sent home on Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Please take the time to read the report carefully and discuss with your child. Please remember to complete the student and parent section on page 3 and 4 of the report and return to your child's classroom teacher.

Interviews with teachers can be arranged by parents and/or by teacher request. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher, you can indicate on page 4 of the report card or contact the teacher by phone or leave a note in your child's agenda to arrange for an appointment or a telephone interview. Partnership is important!



Wear a hat of your choice for \$2.00 on Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup> in support of Northern Ontario Families of Children with Cancer (NOFCC). All proceeds raised will be donated in our school's name. Go Jaguars Go!!!



We are also selling raffle tickets for a chance to win one of five beautiful handcrafted wreaths. You can view the wreaths on display in

our front entrance and/or on our Facebook page. **Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.** All proceeds to support NOFCC. The draw will take place Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. *Together, Cancer can be beaten!*

## School Cash Online

School Cash Online helps parents and community members pay school-related fees safely, quickly and easily. By using School Cash Online, you help increase efficiency and security at schools by making payments directly into your school's bank account. This allows teachers and secretaries to focus on helping students, and not counting cash. Plus, you get to stay informed of your child's activities and needs! Register now for **School Cash Online** by visiting our school's website @ <http://st-john.sudburycatholicschools.ca>.



## Let's Dance Away Those Winter Blues!

During the month of February, all students in FDK-Grade 3 and Grade 4-8 will have the opportunity to take part in a Zumba interval training fitness class led by a qualified instructor.

**Inclement Weather**

As winter is upon us, so is unpredictable weather. Please listen to the radio or check online in the mornings to find out if transportation is running during stormy weather. Please call the school to notify us if your child will be absent, even if busses are cancelled.



Also, please ensure that your children are dressed properly for outdoor weather. We have outdoor recesses most days, and frostbite can easily occur if children are not warmly dressed. Snow-pants, warm jackets, winter boots, hats, neck warmers and mitts are essentials for outdoor play.



February 12, 2019 marks the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school at Sudbury Catholic!

Some fun activities you can try at home to help build your child's understanding of number sense include:

- 1) Count out 100 items (food, coins, pompoms, toys etc.)
- 2) Walk 100 steps
- 3) Do 100 exercises (jumping jacks, sit ups etc.)
- 4) Build a 100 piece puzzle
- 5) Skip Count to 100 by 2s, 5s, 10s, 20s etc.
- 6) Build a tower with 100 items using Lego pieces, blocks or cups etc.
- 7) Draw a number line to 100
- 8) Using a measuring tape, measure out what 100 millimeters, 100 centimeters and 100 meters represents
- 9) Take a 100 kilometer trip (with an adult of course)
- 10) Create a necklace using 100 items (cereal, macaroni, beads)
- 11) With parental permission, use a free aging app to see what you might look like at 100 years of age

**"White Buffalo Circles"**  
**Cultural Lessons of the Indigenous Peoples of Turtle Island**

White Buffalo Circles is a five-week program delivered on Wednesdays by Joel Agowissa, an Indigenous Support Worker at the Board. The program is a positive vehicle to integrate First Nation, Metis and Inuit content in Math and Literacy centers in Kindergarten classrooms. Joel also offers voluntary programming during the lunch hour to students in Grade 2-5. Ask your child about Joel, our kids love him!

**Are You Smarter Than a 3<sup>rd</sup> Grader?**  
**Sample Grade 3 EQAO Questions**

- 1) Jane has a book with 11 chapters. She reads 1 chapter on the first day of April. Three days later she reads chapter 2. Will Jane finish the book by April 30<sup>th</sup> if she continues to read one chapter every three days? Explain your answer.
- 2) John does 30 minutes of math homework each night before bed. After 2 weeks, has John done more than 6 hours of math homework?
- 3) Mike has a 3D figure. It has five faces and 5 vertices. What figure does Mike have?
- 4) Ivy writes the first five numbers of her pattern 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, ... Corey writes the first five numbers of his pattern 1, 8, 15, 22, 29... What number is in both of their patterns?
- 5) The numbers 22, 24, 24, 26, 27, 21, 26, 28, 26 is a list of points a basketball team scores during nine games. What is the mode number of points the team scores?

**WIN A LARGE PIZZA FROM  
FAT TUESDAYS  
FOR READING THE FEBRUARY  
NEWSLETTER**

STUDENT  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT  
SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

