

# St. Patrick's Elementary

## June 2019



### Dear Parents,

The celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ is central to understanding our Faith and our Mission. Together with the Feasts of Pentecost and the Holy Trinity, the Feast of Corpus Christi draws us into a closer relationship with God; our Creator, Saviour and Sanctifier.

Like the Apostles and Saints before us, we are being called as a community of faith to serve others. We are part of God's great plan for Creation. Each of us is unique, and God's plan will not be complete without us.

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit that we receive in Baptism are the gifts strengthened in us at Confirmation. These are the same gifts that enabled the Apostles to go out into the world and preach the Good News of Salvation to people everywhere. When we celebrate Pentecost we are reminded of these gifts; and on the Feast of Corpus Christi we are reminded of the gift of God himself in the Eucharist. Like St. Peter, we are being asked each day if we love God; and if we truly do, we too must feed His lambs.

Each of us is gifted in some special way to be a blessing for others in this world. If it is true that faith grows first in the family, we need look no further than our children; His lambs. As the Apostles went out from that Upper Room to be witnesses of Christ's love, Christian parents are being called to be witnesses of that same love for their children. As we go out from the church after celebrating the Holy Eucharist, we must remember that we are taking Christ with us into the world.

As God blesses each of us, may we also be blessing for each other through the Body and Blood of Christ.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Congratulations to our Grade Two class, and special thanks to their parents and teachers for their work in preparing the children to receive their First Holy Communion this past weekend; Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to our Grade Seven class, and special thanks to their parents and teachers for their work in preparing the children to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.

We also thank our staff and parents who helped with hosting the receptions that followed First Communion and Confirmation.

Special Thanks to our PEC fundraising group and Parent Participation group for all their work in making this year's Fundraising events so successful.

Best Wishes to our Track & Field team and finalists who will be competing at the CISVA EAC Championships Wednesday, May 29 & June 5.

## DATES

**Wednesday, May 29 & June 5**

CISVA Track & Field Championships

**Monday, June 3** – Step-Up Day

Cambridge Uniform Sweater Orders 8:30-10:30

**Tuesday, June 4**

Cambridge Uniform Sweater Orders 2:30-4:00

**June 11 – 15** – Neat Uniforms Focus Week

**Thursday, June 20** – Talent Show @ 1pm

**Friday, June 21** – Sports Day This is a rain or shine event! Dismissal is at 1pm.

**Tuesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>** –

Grade 7 Closing Mass and Awards.

**Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**.

Closing Mass; Awards; and Report Cards

We will begin with Mass at 9:00am and then proceed to the gym for awards. Following awards, report cards will be distributed to the students in their classrooms and they will be dismissed.

Dismissal for Summer Vacation; 11:00 a.m.

## **FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL**

### **SEPTEMBER 2019:**

**TUES., SEPT. 3      8:45 to 11:00 AM**

**WED., SEPT. 4      8:45 to 2:30 PM**

**THUR., SEPT. 5      8:45 to 3:00 PM**  
**Parents & Teachers AGM @ 7pm**

**FRI., SEPT. 6      8:15 Mass to 3:00 PM**

## **PARENT PARTICIPATION**

**NEED HOURS ?**

**ANY PARENTS WHO STILL NEED PARTICIPATION HOURS OR WHO CAN VOLUNTEER AT SPORTS DAY PLEASE SEE MRS. GASPAR.**

## **PARENT PARTICIPATION**

### **BOOKLETS DUE**

All booklets must be handed on **Friday, June 21 (Sports Day) from 11:00am – 12:00 pm in the gym foyer**. Any hours not accounted for by this time will result in your security cheque being cashed.

Books must be given to your participation leader in order to have your \$960.00 cheque returned to you. This is the only way to ensure that your cheque will not be cashed.

**Do not send your book to the school office.**

*There will not be booklets for the coming school year. All participation sign-in and communication will be done online via the portal for 2019-2020. Please sign on regularly to ensure you are up to date and your hours are being logged.*

## STEP-UP DAY

June 3, 2019

Step-Up day is scheduled from 9 – 10 a.m. in each of the classrooms. Each of the classes will move to the next grade where they will meet and spend some time with their teacher for the next school year.

We will be inviting all of our new families to Step-Up day so that our new students can also meet their teachers as well as their new classmates. This will be for all new students in Kindergarten through Grade Seven.

### SPORTS DAY & FAMILY YEAR END LUNCH

Lunch order forms will be sent home.  
Please return by **Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>**.  
Sorry no late orders.

### YEAR BOOK ORDERS:

Orders due by Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>.  
Year Books cost \$20 each.

With the end of the school year, we say goodbye to a number of staff members and announce some of the new staff members who are coming for the 2019-2020 school year.

We wish to thank Mrs. Bartman, Mrs. DiFonzo, and Mr. Evangelista for their wonderful commitment to St. Patrick's School community and wish them all the best in their new schools.

We also want to wish Mrs. Pineda and Mrs. Priscilla all the best in their upcoming maternity leaves, and look forward to their returning for the 2020-2021 school year.

We want to welcome Mrs. Diane Sorochuk as our new Principal along with Mrs. Charmaine Harris (K), and Mr. Adam Quan (6) to St. Patrick's School.

## YEAR END REMINDERS

**Lost & Found:** A number of clothing items are still unclaimed in the Lost & Found bin located next to the Music Room. Please note that any items not claimed after Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup> will be sent to the Salvation Army.

**Missing Texts & Library Books:** We request that you check your children's rooms, closets, etc. for any books belonging to the school. **All books need to be returned by June 14<sup>th</sup>**. Parents will be billed for any lost items. Your cooperation is appreciated.

**School Supplies:** Pupils are reminded to bring their own school supplies on the first day of school if you have not pre-ordered your supplies from Creative Children.

**Uniforms:** Students are expected to be in full uniform. If there is any difficulty due to supplies, please write a note and send it with your child. Please put your child's name on each item of clothing and all other personal belongings. If you have not received your order yet, it will be given to your child during the first week of school. Please pay particular attention to our uniform requirements regarding shoes and socks.