



St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School

Newsletter September 30, 2016

"A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just"



Terry Fox Run

Thank you to all of you who came out to volunteer at our Terry Fox Run. Events such as this would not be a success without your support. We have raised \$633.00.



School Mass

Please join us in celebrating our Thanksgiving Mass on Friday, October 7th at 10:45a.m. Donations to St. Vincent dePaul are greatly needed and graciously accepted. Please send gifts of toiletries or non-perishable foods to school with your child any time between now and Friday. Thank you for your generosity.

The NED SHOW

The "NED" show is at our school on Thursday, October 6th at 9a.m. The focus of this dynamic and entertaining show will be "Respect and Leadership". Some of the fantastic NED products will be on sale at the school the week following the event. Our NED store will be open at lunch time and after school.

2016-2017 Staff note

In addition to Mrs. Thiessen's Education Assistant position, she also will be doing the school accounting/bookkeeping this school year. She will only be in school office **Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30 until 3:00**. If you have tuition inquiries, please email her new email address thiessen@cisnd.ca.

After school transportation

I am looking for a family who could drop off my daughter in Mission after school (corner of Gordon and Lequime Rd, across from the Capital News Centre) Monday to Friday.

Please call Judith at 250 827-1700 (cell) or at 250 768-1679 (home) to make arrangements. Thank you so much! Judith Kruetzky

Volunteering with our school



New volunteers, people who are renewing their criminal record checks, don't forget the Safe Environment Policy Workshop on **Thursday, October 6th at 7p.m.** in the Blue Room at the Pastoral Centre. Please read the policy before you arrive. It is available from the Safe Environment Office webpage (www.nelsondiocese.org.)

Please RSVP to renee.burzuk@nelsondiocese.org (preferred) or 250 448-2725 ext.225 so she can plan accordingly.

***All volunteers at St Joseph School must have attended a Safe Environment Policy workshop. This policy has 3 components to it: review of the written policy, attending a Safe Environment Policy workshop, and completing a specific criminal record check.

School Prayer Group



The new school prayer group is ready to go. God blessed us with a new name, "**Rooted in Faith: Praying for our Catholic schools**". Anyone interested in joining us, please note the attachment for information and schedule.

Renee and Ingrid

Cards For Kids

We are looking for a generous donation. We need 500 colour copies of a double sided Christmas order form. If you would like to pay for this printing or perhaps your business is able to color print these for us:

Please email Pam/Renee at cardsforkids@cisnd.ca

Volunteers needed



"No one can do everything, but everyone can do something". Max Lucado

1) Colts Hot Lunch Program

Mondays and/or Wednesdays from 11:15 to noon

Please sign up here:

www.volunteersignup.org/WX9F7

2) New Parents Tea

Treats needed to go with the tea.

Please sign up here:

www.volunteersignup.org/R3LB8



New Parents Welcome Tea Tuesday October 4th, after morning drop-off (8:45a.m.)

Please join us next Tuesday at the welcome tea for new parents hosted in the second floor foyer of the new building! It's a new wing to all of us and for some families St. Joseph Elementary is a new experience too. The welcome tea is a great opportunity to ensure new families feel welcome in our school community, enjoy a coffee, tea and some fantastic snacks with friends. All parents welcome!!

If you would like to help make the welcome tea a smashing success, please follow the volunteer instructions (*Volunteers needed*) above or contact Ingrid Uhrich at miuhrich@shaw.ca



Get Ready For Halloween

Calling all trick` r treaters! Halloween Alley (#216, 525 Highway 97 South in Kelowna) donates 10% of all pre-tax purchases by St Joseph families, to the school! If you are shopping for Halloween costumes or decorations, you can find it at Halloween Alley, please drop the original cash register receipt in the Halloween box at the school office before November 4th. Thank you!!

Next Meeting

Mark your calendars, the next PSG meeting is Tuesday October 18th at 6:30p.m. in the new wing. All parents welcome, we look forward to seeing you!!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Community News

Ozanam Recovery House is hosting a fundraising speaker evening, Saturday, October 15 at 7p.m. at St. Charles Garnier Parish. The talk is: "Partnering with Indigenous Elders to provide Traditional Healing - Impacts on Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder". Dr. Davis Tu, a physician at Vancouver Native Health-a medical Clinic in Vancouver's downtown eastside and Elder Bruce Robinson's presentation will explore the impact of the Vancouver Indigenous Elder's Partnership Program (VIP) on those with mental health and substance use issues. Tickets are \$25(\$15 for students) and are available at Ozanam Recovery House, 2629 Richter Street, Dyck's Pharmacy, 3039 Pandosy Street, or on line at <http://traditionalhealing.eventbrite.ca>. For more info contact: 250 762-HOPE(4673) or go to www.recoverykelowna.ca

Virtue for October is
Thankfulness

How do we practise it: appreciating the things you have and the people you care about. Focus on the good things about your life and count your blessing often. We also keep a positive outlook on life.

"The Virtues

Project TM"

Attachments

- New Families Tea
- Rooted in Faith – School Prayer group (2)
- Ozanam Recovery House Fundraiser
- Octoberfest

Our mission is to foster the development of the total child in spirit, mind and body. Through Jesus, we encourage the pursuit of excellence in a community of love and respect.