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Newsletter ***January 6th, 2017***

"May God's love light your way and lead you into a new year that shines with His special joy."

Anonymous



Welcome Back!

A huge welcome back to everyone! We hope you had a great break with plenty of 'hanging out' time! You will notice the construction fences are gone and things look a lot different. For us inside, our biggest difference is the fact that we have no construction staff around. They have been such a big part of our family for so long that we truly do miss them.

We are excited to extend a warm St. Joseph welcome to the two latest additions to our school family: Injoy Yin, who joined our grade 6P class the last week before Christmas break from China, and Scott Russell who joined us on Tuesday and is in 4/5Z. We are so glad you and your family have become part of our school.

Welcome Window Is Open!

Many of you have noticed that our new office "Welcome Window" is finally open. It looks out on to our amazing atrium and our beautiful front entrance. WE ARE SO SO SO HAPPY! We are still waiting for a few items before we officially open the front doors so please continue to use the Doyle entrance and the new student entrance until we do. As always, thank you for your patience; the journey is NOT OVER!!



Dress for the weather

All students MUST dress for outside weather EVERY DAY! It is very important that children get lots of fresh air, and even when the temperature is cold, some outside time is very important. Please ensure that no matter what the weather, your child is fully geared up with a warm coat, mitts, hat, scarf, snow pants and boots. Thank you for your attention to this.



Happy New Years St. Joseph families!

Thank you for all the Christmas orders that were placed! Our families rocketed right through our last year's numbers but still a long way to go for our goal of \$20,000...

SO KEEP BUYING CARDS!

NEW TO OUR CARD OPTIONS...

**CAR CRAFT
AUTOMOTIVE**

<http://carcraft.ca/>

Offering 10% back to our school fundraiser if you use gift cards purchased from Cards for Kids. So get your oil changed, car work done and make money for St. Joseph's.



Call to assist – COLTS CAFÉ



Looking for a way to contribute volunteer hours? There are always many important opportunities for parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles to help us do all the great things we do at St. Joseph Elementary School!

Right now there are opportunities to help Colts Café with the Winter 2017 program – across eighteen planned hot lunch dates, currently there is one volunteer, and many more are needed! It only requires 20-25 minutes to help distribute lunches (most days the process is completed between 11:30am and ahead of lunch hour) but the value of your contribution is immeasurable.

Please contact Pamela Lovering at pamalynne2000@yahoo.ca for details on how you can help.

Thank you for volunteering!!



PSG Meeting

The next PSG meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 10th starting at 6:30pm in the school - all parents welcome!



Rooted in Faith: Praying for our Catholic Schools

Join us Monday, January 9th at 9:00 a.m. in the Bedford Room (ICC Hall)
Prayer focus will be Mrs. O'Brien's grade 2 class.



Attachments

- Cards for Kids – order form

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.

Virtue for January is

TRUST

How do we practise it:

- Believing in someone or something
- Having confidence that the right thing will happen without trying to control it
- Being sure, down deep, that there is some good in everything that happens

“The Virtues Project™”