

St. John the Baptist School Newsletter

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Principal's News

Cheers to the end of a long chilly month. Let us hope that February can bring some warmer weather to allow students the opportunity to enjoy the outdoors.

February marks the end of Term 1 for our students. Please be advised that elementary report cards will be going home on Tuesday, February 11, 2020, as scheduled. Due to administrative job action initiated by the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA) on January 13, 2020, the report cards will include marks but will not provide teacher comments in the subject and learning skills areas. An exception is the report card for Kindergarten students which will include a one-sentence comment per frame. While the report card will not provide the level of information that is normally reported, please be assured that it does provide an accurate assessment of your child's progress at this point in time. Although formal interviews occurred in November, please feel free to connect with staff if you have concerns or questions about your child's progress. Thank you for understanding.

In the month of February, we will be

celebrating Black History Month as well as focusing closely on how we treat one another and the importance of well-being. We wanted to recognize the importance of mental health and simply feeling good about ourselves. We will continue to support students on this topic throughout the remainder of the year.

I wanted to remind everyone that we continue to use a number of different communication tools to keep you up to date with what is happening at school. This letter may have come to your attention in either an email, the website or print. Please note that our website is the holder of all information; this includes our calendar. If you are struggling to access information and feel you need some support, please reach out to me personally and I will help you through this.

Please check your calendar for the fun upcoming events in the next few weeks.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Miss St. Aubin

"Let your light shine." Matthew 5:16

Upcoming Events

- ◆ Pizza days are now every Thursday
- ◆ Family Day, Monday, February 17th, 2020.
- ◆ Pancake Tuesday & Pink Shirt Day- February 25th
- ◆ Ash Wednesday- February 26th

Extra Information...

Pancake Tuesday

Thank you to the parents who reached out to volunteer their time to help us make some tasty pancakes and serve them to our students on Tuesday, February 25th, 2020.

Anti-Bullying Day

Due to Ash Wednesday falling on the same day as Anti Bullying Day, we will be wearing our pink shirts on Tuesday, February 25th, (Pancake Tuesday). This goes along with our theme of community and #spreadingkindness.

Ash Wednesday

On Wednesday, February 26th, we invite you to join us for our Advent Liturgy at 1pm at the church. Please join us as we prepare ourselves for the season of Lent.

JK REGISTRATION

We will begin the registration process for new JK students on February 20th. Please call the office to book an appointment or stop by that day.