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# Christ the King Catholic School L'école catholique Christ Roi



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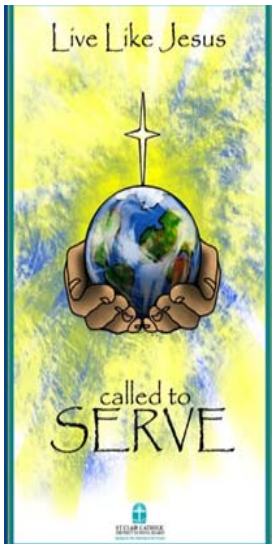
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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We had so many wonderful and successful events in May: Living Rosary, Gr. 7 Leadership Experience in Muskoka, Track and Field Day, Soccerfest, Gr. 2 First Communion. It amazes me that we are finishing up the 2017-2018 school year already! Time goes by quickly at Christ the King, probably because every day is a blessing with such a wonderful staff, caring and eager students, and such supportive parents.

I would like to thank the staff for the tremendous efforts and dedication they have put forth during the whole year! I am also appreciative of the commitment of our School Advisory Council! Thanks to the parents who have worked hard for the betterment of all our students. I would also like to thank our parish partners whose presence in our school and at school masses is so important to us. Thank you Father Chris, Father Bedard, Dorothy deBakker, Virginia Eade and Seminarian Steve.

We are planning to have a student Talent Show Tuesday, June 19 at 12:45, all parents and grandparents are welcome to attend.

I wish all of our Fathers a Happy Father's Day this month! I also hope everyone enjoys the summer break. See you Tuesday, September 4, 2018.

Thank you for a wonderful third year at Christ the King!

If you have any concerns, ideas, or questions, please do not hesitate to call or come by the office. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely, Mrs. R. Culverwell

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### ANAPHYLAXIS REMINDER



We have several people with severe nut allergies.

Please help us to provide a safe environment for these children and staff by not sending any lunch and/or snack items that may contain nuts to school. Thank you for helping us keep all our students safe.

### Freezies For Sale While Quantities Last

Our Social Justice Team will be selling Jumbo Freezies after last recesses—\$1.00 for half, \$2 for a whole one. All proceeds will be going to support Father Chris who is doing an Iron Man Triathlon this summer in Quebec to raise money for his mission trip to build homes for Homes for Hope in El Salvador.



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## FOCUS ON CATHOLICITY

We had a wonderful Living Rosary; so many students volunteered to lead us in prayer this year! Our Wellness Team did a great job organizing and preparing the rosaries.

We are also so blessed to have Father Chris come to our school for visits and masses. He will be celebrating mass with us Thursday, June 21 @ 10:00 am in our gymnasium! All parents are welcome to attend.

Throughout the month of June we will also be focusing on the fruit of the spirit of gentleness. "Nothing is so strong as gentleness and nothing is so gentle as real strength." Ralph Waldo Emerson

***"Let your gentleness be evident to all." Philippians 4:5***

### Opportunity to Give and Make A Difference

Canadian Food for Children is sending out an appeal for us to consider donating the following items as the school year ends: Gently used: any notebook (full or partial), markers, pencils, erasers, pencil crayons, crayons, paper (even if there is writing or computer writing on one side), construction paper, book bags, math sets, rulers, scissors, erasers, gym equipment (balls, skipping ropes), children's books. There will be boxes at the entrance of the school during the month of June. Please note that our lost and found clothing will be going to Canadian Food for Children if there are unclaimed items by June 22.

\* We have a special request for gently used pencil cases and back packs

### Parish News

#### **'Marvelous Mystery: The Mass Comes Alive' Vacation Bible School**

Gain a new appreciation for the Mass and a deeper love for Jesus present in the Eucharist with this Cat.Chat VBS! With the Marvelous Mystery: The Mass Comes Alive VBS, kids will spend a whole week discovering more about the Catholic Mass through faith teachings, music, games, crafts and snacks! July 23-27, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Holy Family Annex-Grounds Age 5-10 years or entering Grade 1-5 in September Cost \$30 / applicant for the Week (5 days)

Crafts, Songs, Games and Snacks! **Limited to 40 children** (Register a.s.a.p. spots fill up quickly!)

If interested call or text Andrea @ 519-355-7193 or Dorothy @ 519-437-9080 or go to [www.hrpcluster.com](http://www.hrpcluster.com) to download the form



### BINGO



Thank you to our Bingo Team for volunteering their time to assist with bingos. Many thanks to Melissa Knight for taking on the role of organizing the bingos for us and completing all the paper work involved.

Monday, June 4 will be our last school bingo. We have opted not to work Bingos during the summer or next year.

### **Grade 8 Graduation**

We wish our Grade 8 students continued success in High School and beyond! Thank you for sharing your leadership skills and being good role models this year!

Graduation will take place Tuesday, June 26 at OLHC Church beginning with mass at 5:30 pm.

**JUNIOR SOCCER TEAMS**

Congratulations to our Junior Soccer Teams! Soccesfest was super fun! Skills were learned, including how to be part of a team and demonstrate sportsmanlike behaviour.

Congratulations to the following athletes who represented our school so well:

**Girls:**

Laryn A. Bree E. Evie B.  
Natalie A. Kaydee D. Layla M.  
Lexi O. Kay'Lee M. Hanna V.

**Boys:**

Josh V. Braeden B. Korben K.  
Blake H. Nathan B. Logan G.  
Colin R. Jonathan L. Carlos M.  
Brodie B. Kaden D.

Coaches: Mr. Demeter and Mme Alexander

**TRACK & FIELD TEAM**

Congratulations to our Track and Field athletes who will be representing Christ the King at the St. Clair South Catholic Schools Invitational Track and Field Meet **Thursday, June 7th from 9:00 to 3:45 at Ursuline College "The Pines"**.

We wish the following students a great day and a super experience! Go Royals!

Aiden L. Morgan G. Blake H.  
Kaden D. Alivia B. Isabel V.  
Daniel L. Colin R. Bree E.  
Makenna F. Ashley J. Layla M.  
Braeden B. Cejay B. Alexander C.  
Ayden C. Paige L. Calleigh C.

Coach: Mrs. Fischer



**GOOD NEWS ASSEMBLY**

During our May Good News Assembly students who demonstrated effort in modesty and Mathematics were recognized. Congratulations to:

**Modesty**

Kinsley V. Liam G. Mya V.  
Aedric O. Landon V. Blake L.  
Alexis M. Morgen H-R. Alyia V.  
Lydia G. Evan W.

**Mathematics**

Colton F. Timothy J. Azalynn C.  
Grady B. Nathan B. Bree E.  
Bryson B. Carter M. Bryson D.  
Brynn B.

**Disciples in the hallways / classrooms / outside**

Brody T. Hayden L. Xzenia R.  
Morgan G. Lucas M. Bryson B.  
Ashley J. Jacob B. Ryland F.  
Blake H.

Our Year End Awards Celebration will take place **Wednesday, June 27 @ 10:00 am** in the gymnasium.

All parents and grandparents are welcome to attend our celebration.

**PLEASE Return all  
Library Books by  
Friday, June 15,  
2018!**

## Parent Corner

Dear Parents and School Community,

The Christ the King School Advisory Council had a very successful 2017-2018 school year. The Advisory Council, representing the parents and school community worked with Mrs. Culverwell and the staff on various issues, planning and improvements. We want to acknowledge the hard work and effort of the Advisory Council and many parent volunteers who made opportunities possible for the students and staff. The following is a list of many of the activities supported and implemented by our School Advisory Council and volunteers:

- Responsible for a successful Penny Sale Fundraiser (raising \$2536.00), that helped subsidize the purchase of chrome books
- An Active Volunteer Bingo Team who Coordinated and worked Bingos to raise money for the purchase of technology, chrome books for our classrooms
- Responsible for organization and serving the Annual Christmas Lunch
- Supported Fall Parent Engagement Evening
- Supported the Board's Initiative of the Muskoka Woods Leadership Camp for Grade 7 students
- Supported the School Halloween Dance– A-Thon raising money for the purchase of technology
- Supported the nutrition program and Good News Assemblies
- Represented our school at the St. Clair Catholic Board Advisory Liaison Committee
- Involved in discussion and information regarding retention of our Catholic students in Grade 9
- Supported Social Justice Outreach
- Participated in Christmas in Muskoka
- Supported Education Week Activities (Loved One Afternoon)
- Supported the Defiance Running Challenge
- Supported Wellness Team Activities
- Subsidized Grade 8 Graduation and Awards
- Subsidized Undergraduate Awards
- Coordinated and subsidized Pancake Day
- Supported Jump for Heart and Track and Field Day

Special thanks to the following School Advisory Council members who helped to make these things possible **Randi Hull, Amy Lacy, Melissa Knight, Jennifer Kerwin, Lauren Pettinger, Stacey Bastow, Monica Massa, Tom Van Damme, Dayna Lauwereys, Stephanie Fox, Donna Jo Laprise, Megan Barnes, Sarah Newkirk, Stacey Stokes, Leah McArthur, Renée Culverwell.**

We again would like to thank all parents, staff and students of Christ the King for their participation and support of these ideas and events.

**Please consider joining our important School Advisory Council team next year to make a positive difference for our school.**

## **Ensure You Are Registered as a Separate School Supporter For the October Municipal and School Board Elections**

Ontario's municipal and school board elections take place on October 22, 2018. If you are a resident, owner or tenant of property in Ontario, a Canadian citizen and 18 years of age you can vote in Ontario's municipal and school board elections.

It is the responsibility of every elector to make sure his or her information is up-to-date. By logging onto voterlookup.ca eligible electors can:

- Confirm or update your electoral information;
- Add an elector name to an address;
- Change school support.

You must be registered as an English Separate School Supporter in order to vote for trustees of the St. Clair Catholic District School Board. Ensuring you are registered as an English Separate School Supporter also signals your support for Catholic education in Ontario.

Visit <https://www.voterlookup.ca/home.aspx>



## **2018 Fun Pass**



Celebrate the summer with savings when you plan a trip to Ontario's attractions with the 2018 Fun Pass.

The 2018 Fun Pass coupons provide free admission for up to two elementary school-aged children at 18 popular attractions when accompanied by a paying adult or senior. Parents can also save \$5 on a daily parking permit at selected Ontario provincial parks. Simply bring a coupon to any participating attraction. Visit [Ontario.ca/funpass](http://Ontario.ca/funpass) for more information about the program and to download the coupons.

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### ***Even If You Missed kinderSTART You Can Still Register Your Child for French Immersion Kindergarten - Classes Starting September 2018***

Even though kinderSTART was during February, if you have a child born in 2014, or know someone who does, the child can still be registered for classes beginning in September 2018. For more information, contact the school or the Catholic Education Centre (519-627-6762, ext. 10247) as soon as possible!



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Over the summer, staff at the Catholic Education Centre and in our schools will begin the work of organizing classrooms for September. As parents/guardians, it is important that you understand and support the role of the principal and Board staff as it relates to classroom organization in your school.

As you may be aware, the Ministry of Education regulates the number of students in classrooms. In elementary schools, class-size caps are set by provincial directive for individual grades; and for a system-wide average that must be maintained across the entire school board. Therefore, the number of classrooms, grades associated with each classroom and the number of students in each classroom in your school must always be viewed from a Board perspective, not just at the school level. It is also important to note that provincial funding is tied to compliance with this regulation. In other words, if we don't meet the Ministry requirements there is a financial penalty which will affect the support provided to our students.

The result of this directive is that combined grades are common in all schools across the province as a means of ensuring that boards are compliant with the provincial regulation. A common perception among parents is that combined grades are detrimental to learning; or, that they are a reflection of students' abilities – that is, in a Grade 2-3 split, the Grade 2s are above average learners and the Grade 3s are below average. The fact is all classrooms include students with a range of skills and abilities. Combined classes are neither better nor worse than single-grade classes. They are simply one of the many ways schools meet students' academic and social development needs.

Further, a great deal of time and effort goes into decisions at all of our schools, as our staff strives to create a classroom environment that supports the needs of all students. These decisions are ultimately made by the principal, in consultation with Board administration and student support staff.

Changes in classroom organization that are created when students move in or out of the school boundary, or by changing student needs from June to the first weeks in September, can create a domino effect that could result in changes to classrooms, which can sometimes impact every grade in the school. Even changes at another school can affect the classroom organization at your school.

It is the Board's goal to make every effort to accommodate these changes with as little disruption as possible. Students changing classrooms are always given a warm welcome by their new teacher and their new classmates.

Thank you again, for understanding and supporting the efforts of your principal and the school staff, in this important matter. It is our commitment to you that, although we must always strive to meet this provincial regulation, we will do so at all times having regard for the best interests of our students and our staff.

Have a great summer!

Sincerely,

Deb Crawford

Director of Education