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Week at a Glance for Families

April 18, 2016

Dear Families,

You can also find this Week at a Glance for Families and all previous WAAGS and Newsletters on the school website at <http://www.st-clair.net/SHS/news.aspx> and on our school TWITTER site: [@shs49ers](https://twitter.com/shs49ers).

Monday, April 18

- Confirmation Retreat for all Grade 8 students at Sacred Heart Church 9:15am– 1:50pm. This retreat is led by the National Evangelization Team (NET) and all the grade 8 students from Sacred Heart, St. Michael, Gregory Hogan & St. Anne will attend. The students are asked to bring their own lunch and a snack will be provided.

Tuesday, April 19

- Junior Girls Basketball **AWAY** game @ Gregory Hogan @ 3:15pm
- **GODSPELL REHEARSAL** tonight 3:05 to 5:00pm
- SHOKAS Pizza Co - every Tuesday night is a fund raiser for Sacred Heart School. When you order, say that you are with Sacred Heart and 10% of your bill will be donated towards reading materials for our school!

Wednesday, April 20

- Parent Council meeting at 6:30pm

Thursday, April 21

- Junior Boys Basketball **HOME** game vs. Gregory Hogan @3:15pm
- Fred Fox (Terry's brother) visiting today at 9:30am

Friday, April 22

Attachments:

1. **Top Numeracy Tips for Parents**
2. **School Climate Survey – Please access the School Climate Survey and complete the survey. This will help us in forward planning for safe and healthy schools. Thanks!**
Find the survey at: <http://fluidsurveys.com/surveys/scdsb/school-climate-survey-parent-response/>

Have a Great Weekend



Top Numeracy Tips for Parents

Adding and Subtracting Made Fun



Benefits

By playing these games, your child will learn there is no right way to add and subtract – mathematicians use a variety of strategies.

TIP!

Encourage your child to use a strategy that makes sense to him or her – for example, a “counting-on” strategy might help your child keep track of the score in a game, starting with the larger number (such as 12) and then counting on the remaining quantity (such as 13, 14, 15, ...).

You can make up games that involve adding and subtracting numbers by using number cubes and number cards. Have your child help you make four or more sets of number cards. Each card will have a number from one to ten on one side of it.

Here are some games to try:

- **Higher Number.** Shuffle or mix up the cards and then leave them face down in a pile. Each player takes two cards and adds the numbers. The player with the higher sum gets the other player’s cards. Players continue to take and add up two cards at a time until no cards are left. The player with more cards is the winner. You can play the same game with subtraction, but it would be called Lower Number. The player with the lower difference (answer) gives his or her cards to the other player. The person with the fewest cards at the end is the winner. You can play the same game with multiplication.
- **Number Cube Twice.** Each player rolls two number cubes and adds the numbers shown. The higher number wins. You can play the same game with subtraction and multiplication.

The Broken Calculator Game

Benefits

Mathematicians know that there are different ways to represent a quantity – for example, 18 can be represented as $20 - 2$ and as $15 + 3$.

- Ask your child to pretend that the number 8 key on the calculator is broken. Ask how he or she can make the number 18 appear on the screen without the 8 key. (Sample answers include $20 - 2$ and $15 + 3$).
- Ask other questions of the same type by using different “broken” keys. Make this task easier or more challenging by varying the number your child must show on the calculator.

