



St. Lawrence Catholic Elementary School



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November Newsletter 2020

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

In the rising of the sun and its going down, we will remember them. In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, we will remember them. In the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of Spring, we will remember them. In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer, we will remember them. In the rushing of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we will remember them. So long as we live, they too will live....for we will remember them.

November is a special time of remembrance. The month begins with All Saints' Day (November 1st) and we have an opportunity to reflect on the nature of sainthood and celebrate the exemplary faith of the holy men and women who served humanity and God. On November 2nd (All Souls' Day), we also pray for the many members of our families who have passed away. Finally, on November 11, we show respect to our fallen heroes through our Remembrance Day ceremonies.

Students in Grades 1 – 8 will be receiving their Progress Reports on **Friday November 20th**. Kindergarten students will receive their Initial Communication of Learning report on this same day. **Grades 1 - 8 teachers will be holding interviews with parents on Friday November 27th on the PA day. Teachers may reach out to you prior to that date or after via a phone call or TEAMS meeting.**

The purpose of these interviews is to celebrate successes and to address academic concerns, thereby ensuring increased success for students over the course of the school year. Parents will receive Term Reports in February and June and may request an interview with their child's teacher should they feel the need to do so during those times.

Kindly note that the Progress Report (November 2020) will report on students' LEARNING and WORK HABITS (responsibility, organization, independent work, collaboration, initiative and self-regulation), along with an update on learning in each of the subject areas. The Initial Communication of Learning report for Kindergarten students will focus on student progress as it pertains to the Kindergarten frames of learning

Catholic School Council 2020-2021

Our 2020-2021 St. Lawrence Catholic School Council has been organized. Thank you to the following parents who have kindly volunteered to help out on CSC this year:

Chair - Mrs. Fox
Co-Chair - Mrs. Fernandes
Teacher Rep. – Mr. Orlando
Treasurer - Mrs. Goupil
Councilor: Mr. Cline
Councilor: Ms. Chafe

Parish Rep. - Father Jurzyk

Principal - Mrs. Trotta

NEXT MEETING:
Monday November 16th, 2020 @ 4:30pm

October 2020 Award Recipients

During the month of October, we focused on the Catholic Graduate expectation that emphasizes the importance of being a “**discerning believer**”. We congratulate the following students who through their actions and words work to live out the Gospel message as a true “**believer**” and follower of Christ.

Teacher:

Mrs. Gulley
Mrs. Tittarelli
Mrs. DiDonato
Mrs. Diadamo
Mrs. Baltrunas
Mrs. Facklemann
Mr. Perino
Mr. Colombe
Mrs. DiGiovanni
Mrs. Falcao
Mrs. Leo
Ms. Rullo
Mr. Orlando

Students

Hanna. B. Hazel F.
Brooklyn B. Nathan C.
Mario S. Kalliope C
Noah F., JoJo M.
Naya F., David G.
Dylan., Amelia
Luca A., Jake O.
Peyton N., Kellin G.
Amos W., Valencia L
Daphne M., Cameron J
Juliana C., Kayla C.,
Lucas F., Kaylee L.
Fatima M., Daniel S.,

NOVEMBER 2020 C.G.E. FOCUS

During the month of November, we will focus our attention on having “a voice”. Students will work together in meeting the following goals:

I HAVE A VOICE!

- I speak, write and listen as Jesus would want me to
- I care about others and speak up for them
- I am honest
- I think carefully before I react or speak
- I respect all people and their languages
- I listen to the Word of God

Because I have a voice, I will use it lovingly, and I will live my life like Jesus.

Sacraments

Congratulations to our Grade 3 students (last year in grade 2) who will be making their First Holy Communion on Wednesday November 4th, Thursday November 5th and Saturday November 7th,

Congratulations to our Grade 8 students (last year in grade 7) who will be making their Confirmation on Monday November 16th, Tuesday November 17th and Friday November 20th.

Thank you to Father Jurzyk and Mr. Jolie for coordinating the dates with all our St. Lawrence families.

Also, Father Jurzyk has added a new time for mass, Saturdays at 5pm.

Outerwear:

The beautiful fall colours bring with them colder temperatures. Please ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for outdoor conditions. Also, a reminder that only navy blue/white fleece or navy blue/white sweaters are permitted in the classroom. There are still some students wearing non-uniform sweaters/hoodies in class. Your assistance is very much appreciated in helping students adhere to our school's uniform dress code.

United Way

On **Thursday November 26th**, our school will be having our Annual Red and White day in support of the United Way. Students and staff are encouraged to wear their Red and White for civies. Each participating student is asked to bring a donation of a loonie or a toonie. All money raised will go to the United Way Campaign.

United Way is an integral part of our community and plays an important role in meeting the needs of essential social support programs, such as Wesley Urban Ministries, CYO and YMCA.

Picture Day

Lifetouch Photography will be here on **Monday November 16th**.