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The Viking Voice 2018

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A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Inspired by Christ. Learning Together. Serving Together.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

May is the month when Catholics traditionally focus on Mary, The Mother of Jesus. The practice dates back at least 700 years and is still observed around the world today. May is seen as the beginning of new life and the start of summer, which makes this a logical time for the celebrations of Mary, who brought life into our world.

It was wonderful to have 130 grandparents grace our hallways and classrooms on May 3rd. The joy in our building was palpable as we were so beautifully reminded that “it takes a whole village to raise a child.” A special thank you to our staff and students who worked hard to make this day special for our visitors.

Catholic Education Week begins on Monday May 6 to Friday May 10. This year’s Catholic Education theme is Living as Joyful Disciples. On Tuesday May 7, Holy Family Parish will host a Family of Schools Mass at 6:30 p.m. All families are invited to join us!

On May 12th, we celebrate our mothers on Mother’s Day. We remember our mothers with a grateful heart.

We thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we create educational opportunities where our children can thrive!

Yours sincerely,

Barbara Nathoo





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Catholic Education Week

During Catholic Education Week, which runs from May 6 to 10, our community celebrates the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools make to our students, community and society. The theme for this year's Catholic Education Week is "Living as Joyful Disciples." As part of our week's activities, we will celebrate a Family Mass on Tues., May 7th at 6:30 p.m. at Holy Family Parish. Feel free to visit the school during Catholic Education Week and see how we are "living as joyful disciples" at St. Paul Catholic School.

May – the Month of Mary

May, is the month of Mary, and to celebrate and honour Mary, as part of our morning prayer, we will pray to Mary. Mary is a role model for all of us for the way she lived her life, and for the way she accepted what was asked of her by God. Lord, help us be more like Mary in our thoughts, words and actions.



Spirit Award Winner

Congratulations to Emily Hymmen-Eves who is the recipient of the "Celebrating Our Spirit Award." Emily will be recognized for putting her faith into action using the Catholic Graduate Expectations at our school, and in our community. Emily is one of our grade 8 students and will graduate this year. Emily, along with other recipients from our Board, will be recognized at the Spirit Award ceremonies on May 6.

Congratulations Emily!



EQAO

Students in grades 3 and 6 will participate in the EQAO provincial assessment of reading, writing and math between May 21 to June 3. Letters were sent home last week to all participating students. Feel free to contact Ms. Nathoo, Mrs. Tillapaugh or your child's teacher if you have any questions about the assessment.



Track and Field

On Thursday May 9, students will have the opportunity to try out for the school's track and field team. Students are asked to dress appropriately for the tryout. Our school will be participating in the LDCSB's Track and Field Meet on May 27 at Western University.





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St. Paul - Fun Fair

NEW this year – we will be offering pre-fair ticket purchases on School Cash Online.
Stay tuned for more details! *We will still be selling tickets the day-of as well.*

Raffle Jars
We will still accept Raffle Jars this week. Thank you for your support!
We will announce the winning classroom at the end of May.
Classroom Baskets
A letter will be sent home this week with your child’s classroom theme.
Baskets will be collected May 13-24.
Thank you!

Silent Auction & Raffle
We have some AMAZING prizes for this year’s silent auction – weeks of summer camp, passes to local attractions and theatre, month-long memberships, gift certificates galore, jewellery & many, MANY more items!
Be prepared to bid on some incredible prizes!

A huge *THANK YOU* to our generous silent auction and raffle donors!

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Yearbook Orders

It's that time of year again - Yearbook 2019! Our 2018-2019 school Yearbook is now on sale through our School Cash Online website. All yearbooks MUST be pre-ordered prior to May 14th. Our Yearbook last year was a huge success, don't miss out on this wonderful keepsake for your child. A 25 page full colour jam packed book! It will arrive before school is out in June, giving students the opportunity to have peers sign them! Sign on to School Cash Online to order yours today!



KELSEYS Community Kickback Program

SHOW THIS CARD TO **EARN A 20% KICKBACK!**

**Only Pick Locations only*

HELP US SUPPORT
St. Paul Catholic Elementary School
May 13th - 4pm to 10pm

KELSEYS Community Kickback Program

20% of your bill will be donated back to the school!



Congratulations to all the St. Paul students that have participated in the United Way Stair Climb. Since 2010, our students have raised \$16745. Way to go Vikings!



Safety Patroller for the Month of March
Congratulations to Harrison Franssen! Harrison has shown true leadership in keeping our bus students safe.



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ReconciliACTION Liturgy

On Friday, May 10th at 1pm, Deacon Tom will lead the St. Paul's community in a ReconciliACTION Liturgy with the help of the grade 7 & 8 students. The liturgy celebration will acknowledge the intermediate's Legacy Project that involved learning about Aboriginal history, Canada's residential school system, Truth and Reconciliation, and stewardship. The students created tile artwork that was displayed at this year's Juno Awards to raise awareness about Aboriginal issues. In addition, students envisioned a permanent monument to be displayed on St. Paul land to serve as a continuous reminder for us all. As a result, a plaque encouraging continued commitment to protecting the traditional land which the school was built upon will be unveiled, blessed, and mounted as a symbol for reconciliation.

Are you Moving?

Have you moved out of our school area, or will you be moving out of our school area in the coming months? Will your child(ren) be attending another school in the Fall? Plans for the coming school year will be made in May and June and it is important that we know of any moves or changes that may affect our school enrolment for the 2019/20 school year. If you will be moving, or if your child will be attending another school for the 2019/20 school year, please contact the school so we are aware of the coming changes and can plan accordingly. Our projected enrolment for the coming school year is approximately 250 students with 11 classes.

Playground Safety

With warmer temperatures, students may be asked to remain on the tarmac if the playground is too muddy for play. At such times, students are asked to leave soccer balls indoors and not play any games that will involve kicking a ball. Also, students are asked to refrain from all running games due to limited space. Basketball, Four-Square, Jump Rope Activities are permitted.

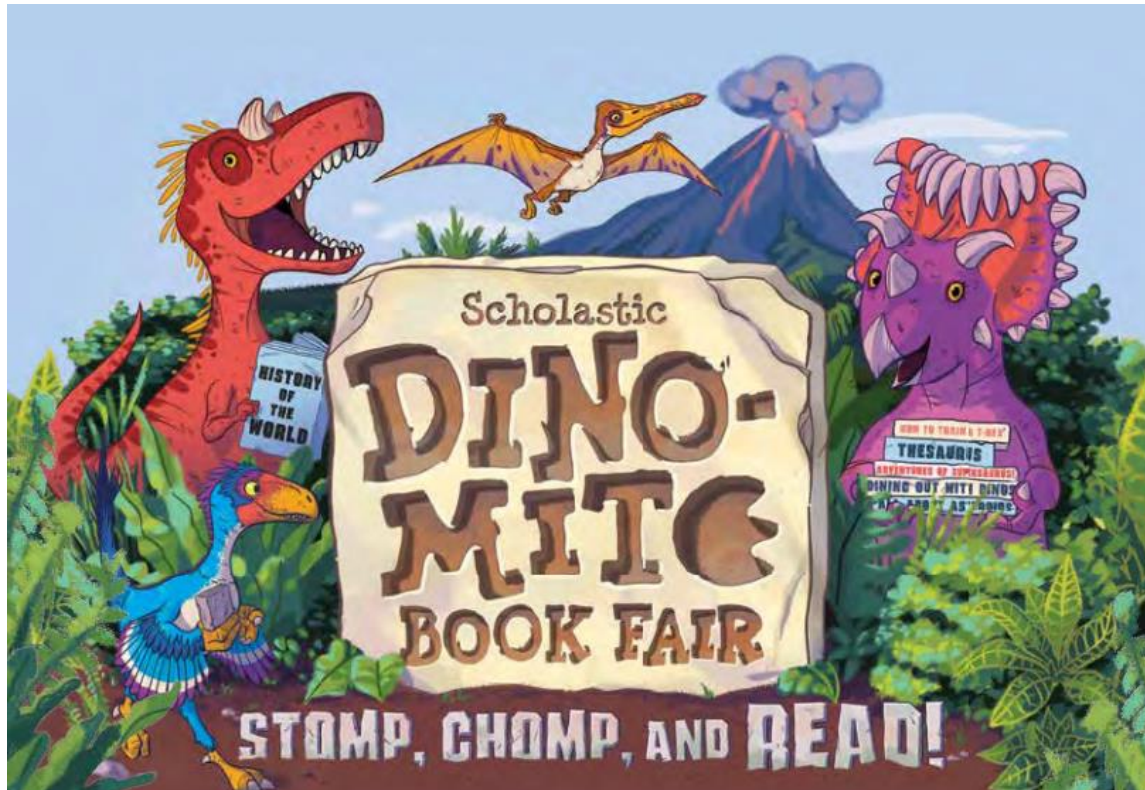
UPCOMING DATES

- May 2 Author Shane Peacock
- May 3 Grandparents' Day
- May 6 Education Week Begins
- May 7 6:30 p.m. Family of Schools Mass @ Holy Family Parish
- May 8 Indigenous Leader Ray John visits
- May 9 Track and Field Try-outs
- May 10 Gr. 7 & 8 ReconciliACTION Celebration
- May 16 6:00 p.m. JK/SK Orientation
- May 21 EQAO to June 3
- May 21 6:00 p.m. School Council
- May 24 Gr. 8 Garage Sale
- May 27 Track and Field



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The Scholastic Book Fair is coming to St. Paul School and you are invited to come and share in this celebration of literacy with us! Scholastic Book Fairs have the books to motivate more reading. With your involvement, we can inspire children to practice reading and read more often.

Together, we can make a difference in their lives that will last a lifetime.

Wednesday, May 15th 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Thursday, May 16th 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

Friday, May 17th 9:00 am to 11:00 am

****\$25.00 draw at 11:00 am**

Hope to see you there!