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SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

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PRAYER FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

*Loving and gracious God you have given us life
and call us to live fully each day.*

*Bless those of our parish who continue their studies
this school year. Bless the innocence of the young,
the openness of the teenagers and the independence
of those heading off to college and university.*

*Bless their parents, may they always remember
the challenge found in the baptismal ritual
that they be, "the best of teachers."*

*Bless too those who are teachers, administrators and
all who support education in all of its forms. May they
know that God is with them, making their work holy.*

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

STAFF NEWS

We are happy to report this year that there will be very little disruption to classes to accommodate enrolment numbers. Re-organization will not be necessary as adjustments to staffing were made ahead of schedule. Congratulations to Mrs. MacMillan who welcomed a healthy baby boy to the family August 30th. We welcome back Mrs. Baldwin who has returned from Maternity Leave to teach the 3/4 class. Mrs. Bell has moved to St. Gabriel the Archangel to teach Gr. 6 and Mrs. Rennie is teaching Kdgn., sharing her time between St. Monica's and Sister Catherine Donnelly. Welcome Jennifer Cotter - Mrs. Cotter has been hired by the Board to be our Noon Hour Office Administrator from 11:45-12:45.

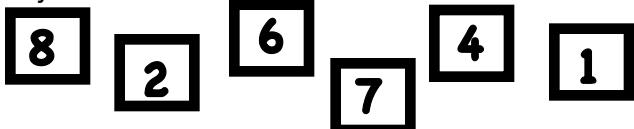
IMPORTANT REMINDERS

* **SJV strives to be a Peanut Free/Nut Free, Sesame Seed/Sunflower Seed Free, Latex Free and Fragrance Free environment. An information sheet on Nut Free Snacks and Lunch Items is available at the office.**

- * Teacher supervision begins in the yard at 8:35 a.m.
- * Front parking lot of the church is for morning drop-off only. Please do not park in the front Church lot
- * Please remember to send in your \$10.00 for your child's Agenda and Math Workbook.
- * Buses have the right of way in the back parking lot therefore no traffic will be allowed in or out while the pylons are in place.
- * Students are not allowed to leave the school property to go out for lunch unless accompanied by a parent
- * If your child will be absent or late please leave a message on the answering machine before 8:30 a.m. Read the front pages of the school Agenda (pages 2-8) and sign the bottom of page 8

Numeracy Night - "Fun with Numbers"

Tuesday, September 29th, 2009 you are invited to come out and join us for an interactive evening about helping our children with Mathematics. We have several guest speakers. We will all meet in the Library at **6:30 p.m.** to begin. Challenge - the class that participates the most with Parents and Students will win a Pizza Party! Looking forward to seeing you all! Math puzzle: Lisa has two cats, Chuck and Miss Kitty. She feeds them a total of 3 cans of cat food each day and 2 boxes of cat food each week. How much cat food does Lisa need to buy each week? Bring your answer for an individual draw to our "Fun with Numbers" Evening. See you there!



**We welcome Fr. Jeff & Fr. Fred
to our school community**

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

Initial dates for ALL SACRAMENTS for 2009-2010

The information and registration meeting which is mandatory for all parents of children who wish to participate in the Sacraments of First Holy Communion

or First Reconciliation will take place

at St. John Vianney Church

on Tuesday, October 13th at 7:00 p.m.

OR Thursday, October 15th at 7:00 p.m.

A copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate and a donation of \$30.00 will be required to register.

The church cannot register your child without a copy of the Baptismal Certificate.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Confirmation Information and Registration meeting will take place for candidates and their parents at the Parish on

Monday, September 21st at 7:00 p.m.

OR Tuesday, September 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

One of these information registration meetings is **MANDATORY** for all candidates and parents.

Candidates will need a copy of their Baptismal Certificate and a donation of \$60.00 to cover the cost of materials, food and housing for the weekend retreats. You will also be asked to choose a sponsor for your Confirmation day. Your sponsor must be over the age of 16 but NOT a parent.

For further information please call
Jan Landry at 726-8007 ext. 104.

START UP DATES

The Breakfast Program will begin
Monday, September 21st at 8:35 a.m.

Pizza Days will begin Friday, September 25th.
Order forms are due Tuesday, September 22nd.
Some months Pizza will be served on Thursday
due to PA Days or Holidays.

The Milk Program will commence Monday, September 28th.
Order forms are due Wednesday, September 23.

WORLD MILK DAY is being celebrated on Wednesday,
September 30th. Milk will be provided **FREE** to all
students on this day. Students are encouraged to
wear black and white or COW motif clothing!

OPEN HOUSE / PIZZA-QUE

We welcome all of you back to SJV for another exciting year. For those families new to our school, a warm, friendly greeting is extended to you from all of us at SJV. To kick the year off, our annual Open House/Pizza Que is set for Wednesday, September 23rd. See the purple form sent home yesterday.

The staff hopes you can join us for some time of fellowship, a personal tour of your child's classroom and an opportunity to meet the teacher.

Hope to see you Wednesday evening !

SJV PARENT COUNCIL

Our Catholic School Community Council will hold its first meeting in our school library at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6th. Babysitting is available at the school. We're always looking for new members. Your input is invaluable to all. Please join us!

Terry Fox Run - September 25th

Over more than 25 years, 400 million dollars has been raised world-wide through the Terry Fox Foundation for Cancer Research. Help support this worthwhile effort next Friday, September 25th as students will walk / run in Terry's memory. Pledge sheets were sent home earlier this week.

International Languages

International Language classes will once again be offered.

Paper registrations will no longer be accepted.

Please register online at

<http://smcdsb.on.ca/cms/One.aspx?portalId=36&pageId=8926>.

PEDICULOSIS (HEAD LICE) As a precaution and to avoid an outbreak early on in the school year, please check your child's hair for signs of Head Lice (nits or bugs). Over the summer many children pick up head lice unknowingly through camp experiences and sleepovers and bring it into the home and ultimately into the school. If you need help identifying whether or not your child has lice contact the school for further assistance. Please advise the school office if the problem exists with any of your children so we may put out a confidential letter to classmates. **If lice are found in your child's head, your child will be sent home for you to treat the problem immediately.** Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

CHANGE OF INFORMATION

If you have had a change of address, phone number, cell phone, babysitter information, work number, etc., please notify the office as soon as possible so that we may update your child/ren's file in the event of an emergency.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, September 23	Pizza-Q - 5:30-6:30 ~ Open House - 6:30-7:30
Friday, September 25	Terry Fox Run - Shear Park
Tuesday, September 29	"Fun with Numbers" - Numeracy Night
Wednesday, September 30	World Youth Milk Day - Free Milk for Everyone
Friday, October 2	Picture Day SK-B - Gr. 8 (excluding Gr. 6/7)
Tuesday, October 6	Parent Council Mtg - 7:00 p.m.
Friday, October 9	Picture Day - JK-A and Gr. 6/7 (a.m.)
Friday, October 9	Stellaluna Production - JK-A, Gr. 1, 1/2, 2/3, 3/4
Monday, October 12	Thanksgiving Day

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School Photographs will be taken on **Friday, October 2nd for SK-B - Gr. 8 (excluding Gr. 6/7)**
Friday, October 9th for JK-A and Gr. 6/7



MedicAlert's No Child Without Program is at Our School

The **No Child Without** program offers a free MedicAlert membership to students who attend our school and are between the ages of 4 up to their 14th birthday. If your child has a medical condition, allergy or is required to take medication on a regular basis then you should consider a MedicAlert membership through this program.

Medic Alert membership;

- gives emergency first responders immediate access to your child's medical information on their MedicAlert bracelet or necklet
- enables first responders to quickly obtain up to date medical information by means of the child's Electronic Health Record through the 24 Hour Emergency Hotline.
- communicates with the parent or emergency contact upon activation of the Hotline
- allows free updates of the child's medical record as needed

MedicAlert identification can alert school staff, friends, coaches and others about your child's medical condition should an emergency occur.

For further information visit:

www.nochildwithout.ca To register your child you will need a **No Child Without** brochure from the office. If your child is already part of the **No Child Without** program and there have been changes to their medical condition, medications or emergency contact information, call MedicAlert at 1-866-679-3220 ext 1 to update your child's file.