

# The Wildcat Gazette

St. Anne - Newsletter



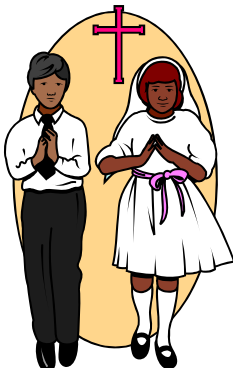
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**T**he attached calendar for April outlines the activities we have planned for this month. There are still a couple of

skating dates this month and the grade 3 / 4 students are starting swimming as well. Please check the calendar and keep it handy so your child(ren) comes prepared!



Mrs. Pichette



## FOCUS ON FAITH

During the month of April, our Gr. 3 / 4 students will be participating in their first Reconciliation as well as First Communion. First Communion will take place during

the 9:30 am mass at St. Anne's on Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to seeing you there.

Please review our virtue of the month – Justice and help model it in your daily lives for the children. This is an easy one to discuss with children, as they have a keen perception of “Fair” and what is right. Mr. Ference's and Mrs. Smith-Come's classes will be taking a vow of silence as part of the “We are silent” initiative to protest child labour. Way to go boys and girls – make your silence be your voice!



## SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT

As a result of the many Success Plans we have for individual students and our multiple proactive measures in place to ensure student achievement in this regard, we have seen a decrease in the number of incidents and in the severity of them. This is particularly true of our primary students who have been a part of the “Stoplight” procedure as well as the “Roots of Empathy” program. Please continue to help us by reinforcing that children should keep their “hands and feet to themselves,” and that they “stop and think” before they act. We know you wish to continue knowing your children are safe at school. Thanks to everyone for your support in this important matter. It has made a huge impact.

Our Junior/Intermediate students will be a part of another initiative with regard to relationships – presented by our CYW in conjunction with input from our Faith Ambassador (Mr. Buhler), in the very near future.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL Meeting

Monday, Apr. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Everyone welcome!

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## EXTRACURRICULARS/ACTIVITIES

Mr. Ference continues to host a pick-up game of basketball every Monday and Wednesday for students in Gr. 6-8 from 3:30 – 4:00 pm.

The Northern Fruits and Vegetables program will be starting up this month and we will continue with our other Healthy eating initiatives.

We have purchased some “Yonana” machines with the support of the Red Cross program. We will be making yet another healthy snack for children – one group of students per week will get these on Fridays, along with the smoothies. They are all fruit, banana base snacks – much like soft ice cream and are delicious.



## READ-A-THON FOR MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

The Read-A-Thon on continues until April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013. The students are asked to bring in their pledges and the minutes of reading by this date. IF they are able to raise two thousand dollars and read as a group for 33,600 min., they will be able to duct tape the Principal to the wall. So far they are quite far from the target, so our stash of duct tape is safe!

READ READ READ if you want to duct tape me to the wall!!!



## SCIENCE FAIR

The Regional Science Fair is taking place from Apr. 11 – 13 for our students to compete. This year, we have Cade Darrington, Ronny Yu and Beth MacDonald who have earned the honour of representing our school. Stay tuned to see how they do!



## EARTH DAY

The students will be participating in various Earth Day Activities on Apr. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please join us during our many endeavours during “Pitch in week” which begins with Earth day - to clean up the environment and in making the world a cleaner, healthier environment for our children and those of the future.



## SPECIAL NEWS!

One of our students, Britney Crites, won THIRD place provincially for her Black and White poster in the Legion’s Remembrance Day contest. Way to go Britney!