



Cougar News

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL – NEWSLETTER

November 2014

It is amazing how fast the time is moving as we are already two months into the school year. We have a wonderful group of students and we are enjoying guiding them along this year.

Progress Reports will go home on Wednesday November 12th. **We will be having a parent conference night on Thursday November 20th from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. We will send home a note next week outlining how you can sign up to see your child's teacher or teachers.**

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call or drop in to see us at the school.

November: Virtue of the Month: Prudence (wisdom)

Prudence –Seeking, judging, acting –with confidence and love

“The language of our story speaks of **prudence** or good sense. The cardinal virtue of *prudence* (*good sense*) has been called “the watchful eye of love.” Prudence has three steps: seeking the proper, most loving thing to do; judging what is the best choice; and confidently acting. A prudent person asks, “What is the right, most loving thing to do?” She considers others’ advice, and looks to the Gospel and Church teaching to guide her conscience. She prays and thinks things through, then confidently acts in truth and love. In this way, practicing prudence unites us more closely both with God and neighbour. Prudence is visible in our Catholic schools when we reflect as Jesus’ disciples and act in His love.”

**Professional Activity Day
November 10th**

CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our second meeting will be held on Wednesday November 13th at 6:00 p.m..

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Our Grade 5/6 class will be participating in the ceremony at the Legion Hall at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday November 11th. The rest of the school will commemorate Remembrance Day at 11:00 a.m. with a ceremony in the gym. All parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

BOOK FAIR

Our annual Book fair will be held on the week of November 17th. We will also be open on Thursday November 20th during Parent conferences.

ANTI BULLYING WEEK

Anti Bullying week will be celebrated across Ontario beginning on Sunday November 16th. We will be holding a dress pink day on Wednesday November 19th and a dress in Blue day on Friday November 21st.

BAPTISM

I have noted in conversations that I have had with some of you over my four years at St Joseph school that some of our children have not been baptized. I have spoken to Father Marcel at St Joachim's and together we would like to provide the opportunity for your child to be baptized at one of our school masses should you so choose. If you are interested in your child being baptized this year please call me directly at the school.

New Addition to our Staff

We wish to welcome Ms. Beyer who will be joining us every afternoon as a Resource teacher. We look forward to the extra support Ms Beyer can bring to our students.