



The Cougar Column

ST. JOSEPH - NEWSLETTER

Apr. 1, 2019

A Message from the Principal...

As we continue this season of Lent, we are reminded that this special season provides all of us with a time to prepare for the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Lent is a time to become closer to Jesus. It is our hope that you will take time out of your busy family schedules to pray, fast, prepare and give. We celebrate Easter mass on Sunday, April 21st at St. Joachim Parish.



FOCUS ON FAITH

With Easter soon upon us, remind the children how Jesus suffered on the cross to have our sins forgiven. Rejoice –

the Lord has risen! Please review our virtue of the month – Fortitude - and help model it in your daily lives for the children.

We will celebrate Mass, led by Father Henri on April 25th at 9:30 at St. Joachim Parish.

Fast



Give



Prepare

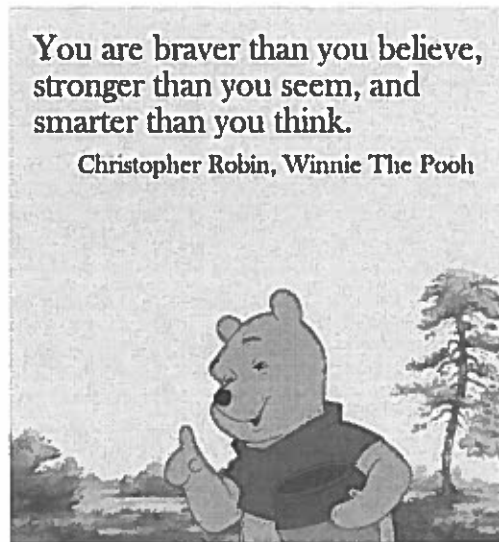


Pray



You are braver than you believe,
stronger than you seem, and
smarter than you think.

Christopher Robin, Winnie The Pooh



Mrs. Pichette,
Principal



SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

April 17th at 6:30 pm

(Working evening for Activity planning)



EARTH DAY

The students will be participating in various Earth Day Activities in their classrooms throughout the month of April. Please join us during our many endeavours in making the world a cleaner,

healthier environment for our children and those of the future.



AWESOME NEWS

Ayden Rochon was chosen as a "Student who Makes a Difference," for our Board. He attended a "Night of Applause" at TH & VS to accept his

award. We are very proud of him! Way to go Ayden! Keep up the volunteering and work in both our community and school!



I know ... technically it's already here!

Please keep in mind that with the warm weather approaching – we are still in the North and the weather changes often. You should ensure your child dresses warmly and in layers. That way, as the day warms up, they will have another layer to wear outdoors. On days where it remains cold out, we as a staff will remind them that if they wear it to school (boots, hats, mitts), then they must wear it at recess!

MATH ROCKS

We continue to work on "Mental Math" and Math in general as part of our school improvement plan. As parents, you can help your child at home but that can be daunting as you navigate the many new strategies that are used since you were in school! With that in mind, School council is working on putting together an excellent learning piece for parents and planning a "Math Night" in the next while to support you in this. We are not expecting you to do math on the spot – so don't be intimidated – COME OUT and join us for an information session. We will keep you informed and update you closer to the date!



ATTENDANCE

Our Board has been focusing this year on attendance, as have all of the schools. Many students can develop gaps in learning and experience difficulties due to frequent absences or lateness. In order to maximize opportunities for learning, it is crucial that students arrive on time and that absences are kept to a strict minimum.

All our dreams can come true
 IF WE HAVE THE COURAGE TO PURSUE THEM.
 ~ Walt Disney

April 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Mass St. Joachim Parish 9:00 am	Professional Activity Day No School	Making Pysanky Eggs Grade: 4 / 5 Class 9:15-11:00 5 / 6 Class 1:00-2:30	South Porcupine Grade 5 & 6 Mixed Basketball Tournament	 Milk & Pizza Day	 Yoga Kids	Mass St. Joachim Parish 4:30 pm
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Mass St. Joachim Parish 9:00 am	No School			 Milk & Pizza Day		Mass St. Joachim Parish 4:30 pm
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Mass St. Joachim Parish 9:00 am			Vicky D'Amour Orders Ready for pick up in Gym between 4:00 - 5:30pm	 Milk & Pizza Day	 GOOD FRIDAY NO SCHOOL	Mass St. Joachim Parish 4:30 pm
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
 Easter Sunday	EASTER MONDAY NO SCHOOL 		Jersey Day 	 Milk & Pizza Day School Mass St. Joachim Parish 9:30 am	 Yoga Kids	Mass St. Joachim Parish 4:30 pm
28	29	30	SAVE THE DATE			
Mass St. Joachim Parish 9:00 am			Our Grade 6 Celebration will take place Thursday, June 20th, 2019 9:30 am – Mass - Cake & Celebration with parents to follow			