



The Cougar Column

ST. JOSEPH - NEWSLETTER

Feb. 1, 2020



A Message from the Principal...

The calendar for February can be found with this newsletter. It outlines the activities we have planned for this month. Please note the swimming days for the Gr. 3's and 4's, as it continues this month. The bus leaves promptly at 12:40 pm. Look carefully at the dates so you ensure your child has his/her bathing suit on the appropriate dates and that they are here in time.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Pichette

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

The school council will meet at 6:00pm February 4th, 2020.

**Forgive others
as quickly as
you expect
God to forgive you.**

FOCUS ON FAITH

We will be having our Mass on Wednesday, Feb. 26th for Ash Wednesday.

Students continue working toward their Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion with the Parish this year.

Eucharist

Sunday, Feb. 2nd at 6:30 pm - Parish hall

Sunday, Mar. 22nd at 6:30 pm – St. Joseph school

NATIONAL READ CANADIAN DAY

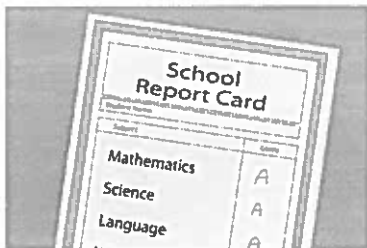
February 19th is National "I read Canadian Day". It is a day to have students read books by Canadian authors – both here and at home. See if you can find some! ☺



CASHLESS SCHOOL

We have great news! You can still sign up for School Cash Online – to pay for pizza, subs and any fundraising events we engage in, in the future. Please follow the instructions at the link below:
<https://northeasterncdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>

Thanks to everyone who has signed up thus far – we have almost everyone online already! Those of you who had your names in the system by January 31st (yes we extended it) have had your name placed in a draw for the indoor/outdoor basketball net.



REPORT CARD REMINDER

Your child's report card will have only marks on it this term.











FOCUS ON SAFE SCHOOLS

Our Grades 4-6 students recently participated in the "Tell them from Me" survey about school climate. The data has shown us that overall, 55% of students in St. Joseph reported being a victim of bullying for at least one of the four types of bullying (physical, verbal, social and cyber). Additionally, students were asked whether they felt safe at school, and safe going to and from school. Overall, 96.2% of girls and 92.9% of boys in St. Joseph indicated that they feel safe at school.

We intend to investigate this approximate 40 % discrepancy further (they feel safe yet report some type of bullying) by talking to the students and planning next steps from there. You can help at home by reminding children that disagreements and conflicts are normal aspects of social interaction (as is resolving them peacefully), while bullying is repeated, takes place over time and by an individual/group specifically targeting someone.



February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		 SUB Day Grade 3 & 4 Swim Program PARENT COUNCIL MEETING 6 pm		Grade 3 & 4 Swim Program  Pizza Day	South Porcupine Winter Carnival Spirit Day Dress In Black & Yellow Grade 4/5 – Science Timmins	South Porcupine Winter Carnival
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
South Porcupine Winter Carnival	 Library Visit	Grade 3 & 4 Swim Program	Grade 5/6 – Science Timmins	Grade 3 & 4 Swim Program  Pizza Day 5:30pm – Tours of Cheer		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Family Day	 SUB Day	National "I READ CANADIAN DAY"	 Pizza Day	Grade 4/5 – Science Timmins	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	 Library Visit Grade 5/6 AM Outdoor ED. Porcupine Ski Runners	Shrove Tuesday Pancakes served for Morning Breakfast Grade 3 PM Outdoor ED. Porcupine Ski Runners	Ash Wednesday Mass St. Joachim Parish 9:30 am	 Pizza Day Grade 5/6 – Science Timmins	Grade 4/5 PM Outdoor ED. Porcupine Ski Runners	