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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians:

As we enter into the month of March, we are in the final week of school before our March Break. The dates for our break this year are as follows: <u>Last day is Friday</u>, <u>March 8th</u>, and first day back is <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 19th</u>.

I hope everyone enjoys a relaxing and safe holiday break, whether you are going out or staying in. On a note of safety, if you are going out and plan to use the winter road south, please drive carefully as we are told it has many soft areas due to some warm weather in many places.

At school this month, we are celebrating the virtue of forgiveness, and students will be learning about the power and importance of forgiving others, and ourselves. As the book of Matthew tells us "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy (Matthew 5:7). Our school Mass will be prepared by the Grade 7/8 class and Mr. Zapasek, and will be held on Thursday, March 28th. All are welcome to attend. The month of March also brings us the season of Lent, during which it is a time for self reflection on our sinful nature. and a time to repent and seek forgiveness. It reminds us of the ultimate sacrifice that Jesus made for us in order to bring us the vital gift of having our sins washed away so that we can join Him in eternal life. Also the dates of Good Friday and Easter Monday this year are March 29th and April 1st respectively, and there will be no school on these days. We wish everyone a happy and loving Easter break.

On a final note I would like to thank everyone for having a great deal of patience with our ongoing bus issue, and for being supportive of our many efforts to find a solution. I can assure you that we are doing everything in our power to bring this problem to a quick end. Please know that any new information will be communicated to parents as it comes in, and this will be done in a circular sent directly with students to your homes. We apologize for this extended inconvenience to you and your family.

I wish each and every one of you a very restful break, a loving and reflective Lenten season and Easter Celebration.

"With God We Make a Difference"

Sincerely,

Heath Hough

Heath Hough, Principal

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Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Reminder to Parents/ Guardians School begins at 8:45 a.m. and at 12:55 p.m.



March Break–*March 11th–18th*. Classes begin again on Tuesday, March 19th. Have a safe and enjoyable March Break!











Students of the Month–February 2012



Principal's Award to:

Justin Kirk, Gr. 4 For making big improvements in his behaviour this year. Way to go Justin, keep it up!

Tonya Wesley, JK

Tonya was chosen for her willingness to participate in classroom activities, her hard work and her great attitude towards school.

Kaydence Wesley, Gr. 1

Theme:

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Kaydence has been working very hard to improve her reading and writing. Way to go!

School News...

- First Communion classes are held for the candidates every Tuesday 4:00-5:00 p.m. at the Christ the King Church.
- First term report cards were mailed to parents/guardians on February 22nd.
- Wii dance ongoing after school.
- Valentine's Day activities were enjoyed by all. Thank you to the parents who brought in treats for the students and for the staff.
- The Gr. 7/8 class with help from Gr. 5/6 class ran the Scholastic book fair, Feb. 22nd to March 4th.

Upcoming Events:

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Sunday, March 10th: Daylight Savings Time starts (spring ahead 1 hour) Monday, March 11th to Monday, March 18th: March Break

Thursday, March 28th: School Mass at 10:00 a.m. at Christ the King Church.

March 29-Good Friday & April 1-Easter Monday: no school

Nathaniel Tippeneskum, Gr. 4

Nathaniel always finishes his work on time. He is always willing to help out his friends. Good job

Nathaniel! <u>Keara Solomon, Gr. 6</u>

She has been working hard in class to complete her work. She always brings a smile and a laugh to our class. Keep up the great work!

Dwayne Iahtail, Gr. 8

For his focus and diligence when completing tasks.

Phoenix Gunner, Gr. 2, Native-as-a-Second Language Phoenix is doing good work and helps to keep the classroom clean.

<u>Kyle Nakogee-Naveau,</u>

<u>French-as-a-Second Language</u> Because he participates and works hard to complete all his work.



Easter-Sunday, March 31, to Sunday, May 19

THE MEANING OF EASTER

Three days after his death on the cross, "Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, 'Peace be with you'. They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, 'Why are you fright-ened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see'" (Luke 24:36b-39a)

After Jesus rose from the dead, the Bible tells us that he stayed with his friends for a little while to teach them: "Then Jesus said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' Even with Jesus' help, it took time for the disciples to understand what the Resurrection meant. In fact, with the help of the Holy Spirit, we are still studying and growing in our understanding of this amazing wonder, even today!

from Children's Daily Prayer 2010-2011



March 19th: Solemnity of Saint Joseph March 26th: Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord.

March 28th: Holy Thursday March 29th: Good Friday March 30th: Holy Saturday March 31st. Easter Sunday April 1: Easter Monday



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