

# November 2019 Newsletter

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

-Pizza is paid for to the teacher with the correct change each Wednesday morning. Pizza is ordered by the office at 10:00am, so if your child is coming in later than 10:00 am on Wednesday, no pizza can be ordered for that student.

-Please avoid picking up your child early unless it is unavoidable! It is very disruptive to your child's learning and the class when they are called out of class without warning at the end of the day. If your child has to leave early for an appointment, PLEASE WRITE A NOTE TO THE TEACHER IN THE AGENDA. As a last resort, PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL **BEFORE 2:30** to let the school know the change in plans for your child's dismissal. After 2:30pm we cannot ensure your child will get the message and that their transportation is changed accordingly.

-If you are dropping your child off in the morning, they must be at school before 8:55 or they need to come to the office to get a late slip. Please drop them off at our new "Parent Central" spot in the front foyer between the double doors in the entrance.

-If your child is going to be late or absent, please call the school before 9:30 to let us know. Our voicemail is always on!

-Students in Grade 2 who have been baptized, have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation on December 11 at 6:00pm at St. Alexander's Church. Please be sure you have returned your Registration form to the school if you intend for your child to participate.

-Students in Grade 7 and 8 will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on December 7 at 5:00pm at St. Alexanders Church. Please be sure you have returned your Registration form to the school if you intend for your child to participate.

### **Treaty Week**

In Ontario, Treaty Recognition Week takes place the first week of November. The week was introduced in 2016 as one way to honour the importance of treaties and to help Ontarians learn more about treaty rights and treaty relationships. This legislation is part of Ontario's Treaty Strategy which is promoting constructive engagement and revitalizing treaty relationships between the province and Indigenous communities.

The goal is for students and educators to work together to learn why treaties matter to not just Indigenous peoples, but to all Ontarians through planned learning activities including classroom lessons, exploring resources such as the "We Are All Treaty People" kit, and through special guests. We will be doing both of these in our classrooms at St. Charles in the week of November 4<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup>.

### **SAFETY IN OUR PARKING LOT @ ST. CHARLES**

At the beginning and end of the school day, the front parking lot/laneway is very busy. If parents/guardians choose to walk their son/daughter into the school in the morning, please **DO NOT PARK IN THE MIDDLE OF THE LANE OF THE PARKING LOT**, rather, park on the street. This will avoid congestion and increase safety in our parking lot. We thank you in advance for your consideration.

### **Toonies for Tuition**

Did you know Ontario is only one of three provinces and two Territories in Canada that currently offers publicly funded Catholic education? There are thousands of families who can't afford to send their children to Catholic school. Sudbury Catholic would like to join in supporting the Canadian Catholic School Trustees' Association (CCSTA) Toonies for Tuition Endowment Fund to help alleviate these costs. We have experienced the many gifts of Catholic Education first-hand and can help share those gifts with students and families across Canada by donating today.

To this end, St. Charles Catholic Elementary School will be supporting the cause by hosting a Hat Day! Students and staff will be permitted to wear a hat on Tuesday November 26<sup>th</sup> for \$2.00. The money raised will be given to the school board to be forwarded to the Toonies for Tuition Endowment Fund. Thank you in advance for your support!