



St. Matthew's Elementary School

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NEWSLETTER

May 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our annual St. Matthew's Walkathon is coming up on Friday, May 5, 2017. I hope many family members will be able to join us as we walk to raise money to pay off the cost of our field re-development and for our future technology needs. Our goal is to raise \$15,000! I know with effort and prayers - we can do it!

In our Catholic faith during the month of May we have a special devotion to Mary; this is the month in which we focus on her life as an example and model for each and every one of us. As a family you are encouraged to a challenge of praying a decade of the rosary at least once a week throughout the month of May. Mary, Queen of the Rosary, pray for us!

And she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb" Luke 1:42

UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE

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| Tuesday, May 2, 2017 | PEC Meeting 5:00 pm | <i>School Library</i> |
| Wednesday, May 3, 2017 | First Communion Rehearsal 6:30 pm | <i>St. Matthew's Church</i> |
| Friday, May 5, 2017 | Walkathon | <i>Fleetwood Park</i> |
| Sunday, May 7, 2017 | First Holy Communion Mass 2:00 pm | <i>St. Matthew's Church</i> |
| Wednesday, May 10, 2017 | Non-Uniform Day <i>Favourite Sports Team</i> <i>Bring a loonie or twonie for charity</i> | |
| Friday, May 12, 2017 | School Mass Grades K and 5 9:00 am | <i>St. Matthew's Church</i> |
| Monday, May 15, 2017 | Grade 6 Pizza Lunch Fundraiser | |
| Tuesday, May 16, 2017 | Walkathon Prize Day 2:15 pm | <i>School Gym</i> |



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| Wednesday, May 17, 2017 | Class Photos | |
| Thursday, May 18, 2017 | Uniform Fit Day 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm | <i>Jubilee Hall</i> |
| Friday, May 19, 2017 | NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS - Professional Development Day | |
| Monday, May 22, 2017 | NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS Victoria Day | |
| Tuesday, May 23, 2017 | School Resumes at 8:40 am | |
| Wednesday, May 24, 2017 | Confirmation Rehearsal 6:30 pm | <i>St. Matthew's Church</i> |
| Thursday, May 25, 2017 | Spring Presentation 1:30 pm and 7:00 pm shows | <i>School Gym</i> |
| Friday, May 26, 2017 | School Mass - Grade 7 9:00 am | <i>St. Matthew's Church</i> |
| Saturday, May 27, 2017 | Grade 2 Theme Mass 5:30 pm | <i>St. Matthew's Church</i> |
| Sunday, May 28, 2017 | Confirmation Mass 2:00 pm | <i>St. Matthew's Church</i> |

STAFFING 2017-2018

Our staff for the next school year will be comprised of the following:

Principal: Deborah Welsh
Office Administrator: Patrizia Rossi
Grade 7: Mrs. Kristina Tzetzos
Grade 6: Ms. Rosana Pacheco
Grade 5: Mr. Jesse Kuester
Grade 4: Mrs. Casey Sisk
Grade 3: Ms. Stephanie McGrath
Grade 2: Ms. Stephanie Sarangelo
Grade 1: Ms. Francesca Baldissera
Kindergarten: Mrs. Jeanine Sallos



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Learning Support Teachers: Mrs. Sharri Testani and Mrs. Paula Bourassa
Athletic Director/Physical Education: Mr. Damian Durante
Music: Mrs. Denise Fawcett
EAs: Mrs. Linda Potter
Ms. Rachel Potter
Mrs. Laila Davis
Mrs. Sherry Chem
Mrs. Marilu Dias
Mrs. Vivian Chow
Mrs. Roshelle Mehra

UNIFORM - NEAT UNIFORM

On Thursday, May 18, 2017 from 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm, our uniform supplier, *Neat Uniform*, will be at the school. Parents/Guardians will have the opportunity to buy new sweaters, skirts, tunics, gym uniforms, etc. Please go to the school's website under the Newsletter tab for a full colour poster about this day.

PEC ELECTIONS 2017

The nominating committee (Fr. Tien Tran, Katrina Bellosillo and Josephine Copon) invites all eligible persons to nominate candidates for the upcoming Parish Education Committee elections for 2017-2018. Deadline to submit nominations is on May 1, 2017.

There are 2 positions that we need to fill for a 2 year term. The elections will be held after the regular Sunday Masses on May 27 (after the Anticipated Mass) and May 28, 2017.

For more details and information, please contact Katrina Bellosillo (email: Katrina.Amurao@gmail.com) or Josephine Copon (email: jcoponsmes@gmail.com) or stop by the parish office.

FIRST COMMUNION MASS AND CONFIRMATION MASS

Please keep our Grade 2 students and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive their First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 7 at 2:00p.m. As well, please keep our Grade 7 students and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive the sacrament of Confirmation from Archbishop Miller on Sunday, May 28, at 2:00 p.m.

Sincerely in Christ,
Deborah Welsh, Principal