



St. Matthew's Elementary School

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NEWSLETTER

December 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians,



On Sunday we begin the beautiful season of Advent! In class your children will be introduced to and reminded of the importance of preparing both their minds and hearts for the real reason for our joy: the birth of Jesus, our Lord and Saviour.

Here at school we are, as usual, busy: Progress Reports will be coming home on December 4, preparations for our Christmas Concert on December 20 will be underway and our choirs will be performing at two concerts in December.

I pray that the peace of Christ will remain with you and your families throughout the season of Advent.

*A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him— the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the LORD— and he will delight in the fear of the LORD.
Isaiah 11:1-3*

UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE

Sunday, December 2, 2018	Advent Begins	
Monday, December 3, 2018	Grade 6 Fundraising Pizza Lunch	
Tuesday, December 4, 2018	Student Progress Reports Go Home	
Wednesday, December 5, 2018	Grades 3 and 4 attend 8:00 am Morning Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Thursday, December 6, 2018	School Mass 9:00 am (led by Grade 7)	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Friday, December 7, 2018	Grades 5, 6 and 7 attend 8:00 am Morning Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Monday, December 10, 2018	Grade 3 attends 8:00 am Morning Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>



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Tuesday, December 11, 2018	Performance Choir sings for St. Matthew's Seniors Group	<i>Jubilee Hall</i>
Wednesday, December 12, 2018	Non-Uniform Day "Ugly Christmas Sweater" <i>Bring a loonie or toonie for the charity: Chalice</i>	
Wednesday, December 12, 2018	Grade 4 attends 8:00 am Morning Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Thursday, December 13, 2018	Grade 5 attends 8:00 am Morning Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Friday, December 14, 2018	Grades 6 and 7 attend 8:00 am Morning Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Saturday, December 15, 2018	Parish Christmas Concert 7:00 pm	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Sunday, December 16, 2018	Pancake Breakfast <i>After the Morning Masses</i>	<i>School Gym</i>
Monday, December 17, 2018	Grades 3 and 4 Attend 8:00 am Morning Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Monday, December 17, 2018	Grade 6 Fundraising Pizza Lunch	
Tuesday, December 18, 2018	Head Checks	
Wednesday, December 19, 2018	Grades 5, 6 and 7 Attend 8:00 am Morning Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Thursday, December 20, 2018	School Christmas Concert Shows at 1:30 pm and 7:00 pm	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Friday, December 21, 2018	SCHOOL ENDS AT 12:15 PM FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK	



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Monday, December 24 - Monday, January 7, 2019	NO SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS BREAK	
Tuesday, December 25, 2018	CHRISTMAS DAY	
Monday, January 7, 2019	NO SCHOOL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY FOR STAFF	
Tuesday, January 8, 2019	School Re-Opens at 8:40 am	
Tuesday, January 8, 2019	Application Forms available for NEW families for September 2019	<i>School Office</i>
Wednesday, January 9, 2019	Non-Uniform Day - Crazy Hair Day <i>Bring a pair of socks for the needy</i>	
Wednesday, January 9, 2019	Grade 2 Parent/Child Meeting 6:40 pm	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Thursday, January 10, 2019	School Mass 9:00 am	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Saturday, January 12, 2019	Grade 2 Theme Mass 5:30 pm	<i>Students meet Ms. Haughian in Jubilee Hall at 5:15 pm</i>
Monday, January 14, 2019	Grade 6 Fundraising Pizza Lunch	
Tuesday, January 15, 2019	Application forms from NEW families due TODAY	<i>School Office</i>

Sincerely in Christ,
Deborah Welsh
 Principal



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