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FEBRUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER



*Be kind and merciful.
Let no one ever come to you
without leaving better and happier.
Be the living expression of God's kindness -
kindness in your face,
kindness in your eyes,
kindness in your smile,
kindness in your warm greeting.
In the slums we are the light of God's
kindness to the poor.
To the children, to the poor,
to all who suffer and are lonely,
give always a happy smile.
Give them not only your care but also
your heart.*

AMEN

(Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta)

PA Day

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2012

**Parent -Teacher Interviews
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

Principal's Message:

February is always represented by a heart not only because it celebrates our love for one another but it reminds us that we should take care of our hearts by maintaining healthy lifestyles. Physical activity and nutritious food is important. Let us make a conscious effort to eat a healthy lunch and to participate in physical education classes and DPA on a daily basis.

On **Thursday, February 16th** the intermediate students will be presenting their speeches in the large gymnasium from 9:15 - 10:30p.m. All parent/guardians are welcome to attend.

French Carnaval week begins February 6th and ends on Friday, February 11. There will be activities to celebrate in each classroom!

On **February 14th** we will be celebrating Valentine's Day with the sale of Heart Shaped Cookies (Board approved) for \$1 each. Send in your order now to receive your cookie on time!!

SPIRIT WEEK begins on February 13- 17. Each day has been given a special activity for all staff and students.

A \$4.00 donation to SHARELIFE is recommended.

Monday: **Monday Manners!** *(please and thank you)*

Tuesday: **Wear something Red Day for Valentines** *(buy a cookie too!!)*

Wednesday: **Kindness Day** *(show acts of kindness)*

Thursday: **Hair Day** *(try a new look today)*

Friday: **Wear your favorite sports jersey!**

SPIRIT EVENING EVENT-RAPTORS GAME FEB. 17TH

Let us enjoy the many activities during the month of February and think warm thoughts as we participate in them.

L. Lettieri

FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY

There will be no classes for
students on
Monday February 20th, 2012

**Virtue of the Month
February**

In the month of February we will celebrate the virtue of: Respect

A respectful person...

- **Treats himself/herself and everyone else with equal consideration and courtesy**
- **Uses a positive tone of voice and body language**
- **Avoids swearing, name-calling, putdowns and inappropriate gestures**
- **Says 'Excuse me', 'Please', 'Pardon me'**
- **Avoids gossip**

God has given us the virtues of friends and companions to keep us company and to help us out along the way. Every person in our lives carries the Spirit of God – and so every person is our brother or sister through Jesus Christ.

As brothers and sister who share one Holy Spirit, we are all valuable to God. We all deserve to be shown courtesy, consideration, sensitivity and thoughtfulness, which are different ways of saying *respect*. That respect should come first and foremost from ourselves. We have to respect ourselves and then we will be able to respect others. We should also be able to expect to be treated with respect by everyone we meet – our brothers and sisters in Jesus. Through prayer and concentration, become better at respecting ourselves as well as respecting those around us.

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish News

Parish Based Sacramental Retreats

First Holy Communion-April 14 & April 21 @10:30-11:00a.m.
Confirmation-May 5 & May 26th @ 10:30-11:00a.m.

Sacramental Celebrations

First Reconciliation will take place on March 19th, March 22nd at 7:00p.m.

First Holy Communion will take place on April 15, April 22nd at 2:00 p.m.

Confirmation will take place May 6 and May 27th at 2:00 p.m.

Wanted: Circle of Rosary volunteers! Once a month, half a day only – fulfilling and rewarding initiative for parents, grandparents and neighbors! Part-time substitutes are also welcomed! Call 905-896-2958 and ask for Cora.

School Hours

Our school hours remain the same as in previous years.

8:30	Start Time
10:30-10:45	Recess am
11:30-12:30	Lunch
2:00- 2:15	Recess pm
3:00	End Time

Teachers are on duty 15 minutes before the start of the school day and throughout the entire noon hour; therefore, you may safely leave your child at school upon arrival in the morning or upon returning to the school after lunch.

Inclement Weather

All students are to enter the **front doors** of the school **after 8:15 a.m.** on inclement weather mornings. The back doors **will not** be open on those days.

Safe Arrival Program - Are You Getting the Answering Machine?

Please help us to save valuable time and ensure the safety of your child by **calling in all absences**. Our Attendance Verification Phone number is (905)270-4151 ext. 1. When calling please state the child's first and last name (spell the last name), grade, teacher and reason for absence.

School Council News

The next school council meeting will take place on **Wednesday, February 15th, 2012 at 6:30p.m.** in the library. All parents are welcome.

Public Speaking Contest

The annual Metropolitan Andrei Public Speaking Contest will take place on **Thursday, February 16th at 9:15a.m.** in the large gym. Representatives from our intermediate students in Grades 7 and 8 will present their speeches to the students in Grades 6-8.

Extended French Program

Grade 4 parents/guardians, who wish to enroll their child in a **Grade 5 Extended French classes** for September 2012 at St. Phillip School are reminded to submit the Extended French application at St. Philip School by **3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8, 2012.**

French Immersion Program

SK parents/guardians, who wish to enroll their child in a **Grade 1 French Immersion** class for September 2012 at **St. Gertrude School** are reminded to submit the French Immersion application and recommendation sheet by **2:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 8th, 2012.**

Junior & Senior Kindergarten Registration for 2012-13

Registration for the 2012-13 school year will now be held on

Monday, February 6, 2010 - 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.*

**Snow Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2012 - 7:00. - 9:00 p.m.*

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, February 7, 8, &9, 2012

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

*Junior Kindergarten - Children must be 4 years old by
December 31, 2012*

*Senior Kindergarten - Children must be 5 years old by
December 31, 2012*

**Parents should bring the following documents when
registering their child:**

- proof of age of the child (birth certificate)
- original Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate (for parent and child) or Baptismal Certificate of other rites in communion with the Holy See of Rome
- updated immunization records
- proof of Canadian Citizenship or Landed Immigrant status
- proof of home address (utility bill, bank or credit card statement)
- proof of English Separate School Support (may be done at the time of registration by completing an *Application for the Direction of School Support*)

Volunteers Needed

Our **Home Literacy Program** has been a success due to the hard work of our volunteers and the dedication of parents to read with their children. Our students enjoy reading to their parents and some students have shown an improvement in their fluency and comprehension. **Volunteers are required on Monday mornings or Thursdays.** These volunteers are working with other adult volunteers to collect and organize the exchange of books. If you are interested in giving some time to the school as a volunteer, please contact Mrs. Athaide in the office at 905-270-4151.

Growing Success Document:

Resources for parents to support Growing Success document **online**. This document outlines the new report card and the gradual implementation of all its parts.

1. <http://ontario.ca/EDU>
2. English
3. Go to search box and type in:
“Supporting your child’s learning through

Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting”
and press “go”

4. Scroll down and highlight #2
5. Press PDF format for the document in English

MISSISSAUGA LIBRARY NEWS



Newcomers’ Orientation

Mississauga Valley Library

Wednesday, Feb. 15th

10:00am to 11:15am

With special guests from

NCP Newcomer Information Centre

Centre for Education and Training

MIAG Centre for Diverse Women & Families

Admission is free. For more information,

Please call 905 615-4670 ext 2480

Teen Book Club - Teen Advisory Group

Mississauga Valley Library

Grade 8 and up.

Fridays

Feb. 10th, March 16th, April 13th, May 11th, Jun 8th

4:30pm – 5:30pm

Admission is free, and all are welcome

Refreshments & snacks provided

For more information and to register,

please call 905 615-4670 ext 2480

Free Robotics Workshop!

Theory 6 has been conducting free robotics workshops for children ages 5-14 at **Mississauga Central Library** in the Children’s Department on the lower level.

Next session: Saturday, February 4, 11 and 18 from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Cost is FREE!!!



Winter Weather

Colder weather is upon us! Please ensure that your child (ren) come to school dressed appropriately for outdoor weather. All students should have coats, hats, mittens, scarves, and warm boots. Please provide a pair of indoor shoes (extra clothing for younger students) as students are required to wear footwear at all times according to Fire Regulations.

In the colder weather, we receive requests to allow students to remain indoors when they are sick. Please note that we cannot comply, as we have neither the facilities nor the staff to supervise these students.

Children will remain inside at recess during severe weather conditions, where the temperature with the wind chill is minus 20 or lower.

Dates to Remember: Fr. Michael Goetz S.S.

February 3	Semester 2 Begins
February 21	Family Day Holiday (No Classes)
February 23	Gr. 8 Public Feeder School Information Night
March 9	Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
March 14-18	March Break (No Classes)
March 28	Progress Reports
March 31	OSSLT Grade 10 Literacy Test
April 22	Good Friday (No Classes)
April 25	Easter Monday (No Classes)
April 16	Mid-Term Report Cards
May 6	Co-op Showcase
May 12	Arts Menagerie
May 13	Fr. Michael Goetz S.S. 25 th Anniversary Celebration
May 20	Goetz-a-Palooza
May 23	Victoria Day Holiday (No Classes)
June 1	Year End Liturgy
June 3	Prom
June 7 & 8	Gr. 9 Math EQAO
June 10	Fr. Michael Goetz Birthday
June 20-24	Exams
June 27	Exam Review Day
June 28, 29, 30	PA Days (No Classes)
June 29	Grad Mass, Grad Breakfast, Grad Ceremony

Closing due to Severe Weather

During the winter months inclement weather may cause a disruption of bus transportation and regular school operations.

A decision to cancel school transportation and/or to close schools is usually made by 6:00 am and will be announced on the following radio stations:

FM Stations	AM Stations
Virgin Radio 99.9	CFTR 680
EZ Rock 97.3	CJCL 590
CHIN 100.7	CFRB 1010
Z103.5	CJBC 860
93.1	CHIN 1540
CFNY 102.1	
CHFI 98.1	

CITYPULSE NEWS, CBC NEWS, GLOBAL NEWS



Dates to Remember in February

1 st	Grade 3 Swim to Survive 1-2 pm
2 nd	Parent/Teacher Conferences (After School)
3 rd	PA Day
6 th	JK Registration 7-9 PM
	Peel Heritage Complex Art Classes
	Circle of Rosary
	Int. Girls B-ball vs. Bishop Scalabrini (home)
7 th	JK Registration during day
	Int. Boys B-ball vs. Corpus Christi (away)
8 th	Grade 3 Swim to Survive 1-2 pm
	Int. Boys B-ball vs. Sts. Peter & Paul (home)
9 th	Int. Girls B-ball vs. St. Philip (away)
	Int. Boys B-ball vs. Cdn. Martyrs (away)
14 th	VALENTINE COOKIE DAY (\$1 EACH)
15 th	Grade 3 Swim to Survive 1-2 pm
15 th	School Council 6pm in the Library ALL WELCOME
	Peel Heritage Complex Art Classes
16 th	Peel Heritage Complex Art Classes
16 th	Intermediate Speech Contest
17 th	S.P.I.R.I.T. Raptors Game at Air Canada Centre
20 th	FAMILY DAY – ENJOY THE DAY OFF!!
21 st	SHROVE TUESDAY - (PANCAKE TUESDAY)
	Jack and the Beanstalk (JK-4) 1:00 pm
22 nd	ASH WEDNESDAY
	9:00 SCHOOL MASS
	SCIENTISTS IN SCHOOL – GRADE 7