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School Hours

9:15 School Begins
11:00 Recess
Kindergarten
Dismissal - 11:45

12:15 - 1:15 Lunch
2:45 Recess
3:45 Dismissal



CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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"Where Heart Speaks to Heart"

Newsletter - October 2011

Prayer

God our Father, we are surrounded by the richness of the colours of nature and the fruits of the harvest. Help us to see these things as a reminder of your unfailing love. Even as we pray, we remember how often we take you for granted and sometimes even act as if you did not exist. Forgive us for thoughtlessness and selfishness, and help us to make this season a time when we resolve to give you the very best that we can offer. AMEN



MESSAGE FROM ADMINISTRATION

On behalf of the staff, we would like to thank the students and their parents/guardians for their cooperation during the first month of school.

We are fortunate at Cardinal Newman to be strong in a variety of areas, academics, arts, athletics etc. We have students who are willing to be involved, and a dedicated staff willing to provide opportunities for their growth and development. We, at Cardinal Newman anticipate a rewarding and challenging year as we serve the students entrusted to our care.

Your interest and involvement in your child's education is very important. Your presence on September 28th at our Curriculum Night was truly appreciated.

Thank you for coming and meeting with us

Sincerely,

L. Alfred
Principal

K. DaCosta
Vice Principal

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH - EMPATHY

God wants us to care about everyone's feelings.

An empathetic person:

- listens when people speak
- notices when someone is upset

MASS

Our Thanksgiving Mass will be postponed until Father Grima returns later on in October.

THANKSGIVING TRIVIA

Believe it or not, the first Thanksgiving Day in Canada after Confederation was celebrated on April 15, 1872. This marked The Prince of Wales' recovery from a serious illness. Ever since 1931, Thanksgiving has been held on the second Monday of each October.

SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

All Sacraments will be celebrated at St. John Fisher Parish.

Grade 2 First Confession - Sunday, March 4 at 2:00
Grade 2 First Communion - Sunday, April 22 at 2:00
Grade 8 Confirmation - Wednesday, May 9 at 7:00
Rite of Commitment for Grade 8 students is

Wednesday, January 25 at 7:00

SCHOOL COUNCIL 2011/2012

Congratulations to the following Cardinal Newman School members who make up our School Council for the 2011/2012 school year:

Doris Gigliotti	Chairperson
Michelle Dafoe	Treasurer
Angela Creighton	Secretary
Dodsai Coelho	Parish Representative
Lindsay Jesso	Parent Representative
Angela Burke	Parent Representative
Lee Ann Kowsziwka	Parent Representative
Michelle Drenters	Parent Representative
Ana Castelo-Zeballos	Parent Representative
Susan Bujold	Parent Representative
Mariela Guevara	Parent Representative
Karen Baskerville	Parent Representative
Carrie Hinds	Parent Representative
Irene Humniski/	Teaching Staff
Barb Guglielmi	Members
Lori Alfred	Principal

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETINGS

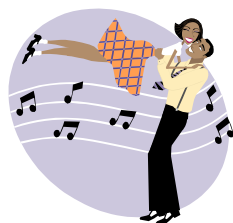
The 2011/2012 School Council will be holding their meetings at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. All parents are invited to attend.

Future dates for the 2011/2012 year are as follows:

- October 3, 2011
- November 7, 2011
- December 5, 2011 - Potluck and decorating
- January 9, 2012
- February 6, 2012
- April 2, 2012
- June 4 - Potluck and Year End Celebration

SCHOOL COUNCIL DANCE-A-THON

On Monday, October 31, the School Council will be holding a Halloween Dance-a-thon fundraiser. This fundraiser,



along with other events help to raise money needed for items such as, library books, classroom library books, various school programs, presentations, etc. More information will follow as we get closer to the date.

Your support will help to make this a successful day. If you are able to solicit prizes through your personal and/or business contacts, it would be appreciated. These prizes can be dropped off at the school office. Remember, all money raised through the dance-a-thon will go back to your child's school. Council suggests a minimum donation of \$10.00 per child for pledges. Pledge forms and information went out on Friday, October 7th. Last day to return pledge forms and money to the office is October 21st. If you would like to volunteer to supervise at the Dance-a-thon, please let us know at the office. Last year money from the Dance-a-thon purchased the following items for our school:

Books for our Literacy Programs	\$1500.00
French Department TV/DVD/carts	\$1000.00
Replacement gym equipment	\$ 800.00
Grad cakes, crosses, awards	\$ 250.00
Sent a student to Camp Muskoka	\$ 245.00
Facebook 101 Seminar for parents	\$ 898.35
World Teachers' Day	\$ 235.00
Deposit for DJ/Fundraiser	\$ 243.00

FOOD DAYS

Pizza Days continue this month on Tuesdays. All pizzas orders are taken ahead of time so that the proper amount of pizza is ordered. **There will be no orders taken after the final classroom collection.** Cost for pizza is \$2.00

Sub Days are as follows:

- October 20
- November 17
- December 22
- January 19
- February 16

Cost for the Sub orders is \$5.00

PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Picture retake day is Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Any student wanting to have their photo retaken is asked to bring in their original proof on retake day. The photographer would even appreciate a short note explaining what you didn't like about the original photo.

KISS 'N RIDE

The school has implemented the Kiss and Ride Program which utilizes the school driveways for the safe drop off of children and for safer traffic conditions.

What is the Kiss and Ride?

Traffic lanes are clearly marked in front of the school. All lanes are designated for "one way" traffic flow.

The lanes closest to the school are BUS LANES. The **bus lanes are strictly reserved for school buses** loading and unloading students. No cars are permitted in these lanes, **AT ANY TIME.**

The BUS LANES are separated from the KISS AND RIDE LANES by a median.

KISS AND RIDE LANES are the lanes closest to the road.

Thank you to the parents that follow the rules and guidelines established for the Kiss and Ride area.

We want to remind parents **THAT YOU CANNOT PARK, GET OUT OF YOUR CAR, AND BRING YOUR CHILD INTO THE SCHOOL YARD FROM THE KISS AND RIDE AREA. THIS IS A NO PARKING ZONE.**

YARD SUPERVISION

A reminder to the parents and students that yard supervision **does not begin until 9:00 a.m.** Students that arrive early at school will have to remain outside. On any given morning parents drop off their children

as early as 8:45these students are outside on their own unsupervised.

Parents who drop their children off before 9:00am are doing so **AT THEIR OWN RISK.**

If you are dropping off your children, please do so after 9:00 a.m.

TRANSPORTATION

We would like to thank parents for their patience as transportation issues were resolved during September.

We would also like to remind you that bus stops have been assigned by the transportation department and that any changes to the assigned stop must be handled through the school office. Requests for changes can take up 10 days to be implemented.

Please ensure your child is only getting on and off the bus at the stop that has been assigned to them. It is also important to remind parents and caregivers that all students in JK, SK and Grade 1 must be met at the bus stop. Any child not met at the bus stop will be returned to the school and parents will be required to make arrangements to pick them up from the school.

PEDICULOSIS

Each year we have several cases of pediculosis (head lice) in the school. When this occurs we are required to exclude the student from the school until they are appropriately treated and all insects and nits have been removed. The child may return to school provided **ALL** nits have been removed. Upon the child's return to school he/she must report to the office where a staff member will discreetly check the child's hair.

When we become aware of pediculosis in a class we will often check other students in that class as well as any brothers and sisters of the affected child. We will continue this process until we are confident that we have identified all related cases.

If you become aware that your child has head lice, please treat your child and **PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL** to let us know so we can implement our procedures. We will notify families when a case is

discovered in their child's class. Under no circumstances will we identify a child or family.

CONGRATULATIONS

Special thanks to Ms. Forgione, Ms. Stewart and Ms. Vlastic, for spending part of their summer offering aid to the many people of Haiti who are still trying to recover from last year's devastating earthquake. Thank you to our entire Cardinal Newman community for all of the donations that were given to this cause.

We will be collecting **CLEAN, DRY** plastic milk bags that will be made into mats for the people of Haiti. Please drop the plastic milk bags off in the box located in the front foyer.

STUDENT ABSENCES & LATES

As in the past, we ask that you call the school on the days that your child will be absent or late. This is a safety precaution that can save precious moments should there ever be an emergency situation. We thank you for your continued support in following this procedure.

If your child will be late or absent from school, it is very important that you notify the school before 9:00 a.m. by leaving a voice mail message on the attendance line at 905-792-2268 and pressing 1, for the attendance voice mail. You should speak clearly and leave the students FIRST and LAST NAME, the teacher's name, and the reason for the absence or lateness.

Any student arriving at school late is required to come to the office to request a late slip. This allows us to change our attendance information, and mark your child late, rather than absent.

We would also like to ask for your cooperation with afternoon dismissal. The last 30-45 minutes of the day is extremely important in the classroom. If you need to pick your child up earlier than 3:45, we ask that you please send a note to your child's teacher in the morning, advising them of the time required for pick up and the reason.

We do not want to interrupt classes during this time, for unannounced departures.

CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES ACT

In April 2000, the Child and Family Services Act was amended and a new law came into effect concerning our obligation to report concerns about children who may be "in need of protection". As is the Board's practice will continue our duty to ensure your child's safety this year. Within our school system, every person who has reason to believe that a child is or may be abused or neglected must report his/her suspicions directly to the Children's Aid Society.

NEWMAN PROGRAMS

Young Minds at Play

Young Minds at Play is Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board's version of Primary Project. Primary Project was developed over 50 years ago in Rochester, New York and is now running in over 600 schools in the United States. Young Minds at Play is the first Canadian version of Primary Project. The program was introduced in Dufferin-Peel in March, 2008.

Young children face many challenges at school: increased structure, adherence to schedules, the need to work cooperatively, and increased expectations for academic achievement. Helping children who are experiencing mild difficulties adjusting to school in the early grades may support academic success and prevent future problems. By providing an opportunity for a safe, nurturing, one-to-one relationship with an adult at school, YMAP can help children adjust more quickly and learn to succeed. Young Minds at Play is a school-based early intervention and prevention program for primary children. The program is designed to:

- Enhance school-related competencies
- Reduce social, emotional and school adjustment difficulties
- Provide individual attention from a caring adult

Teachers from Senior Kindergarten to Grade 3 are asked to fill in a confidential screening form for each child in their class. Based on this information, candidates are selected. Once parents have given permission, students selected for the program will meet in the playroom, with a trained Educational Resource Worker. Children are scheduled for one thirty minute session per week, for twelve weeks. Working one-on-one allows the Educational Resource Worker to listen to the child, accept thoughts and feelings, and join activities when invited. A trusting relationship grows, and fosters a child's ability to tolerate frustrations, face fears, take risks, practice skills and problem solve creatively.

The Educational Resource Worker will meet regularly with the Psychology staff to discuss the children's participation and growth. The Psychology staff also acts as liaison between teachers, administrators and ERW, and maintains contact with parents. Progress is updated with teachers at different points during the program. The ultimate objective is to help children get a healthy start to school.

Empower Program

Once again this year at Cardinal Newman we will continue to introduce a new decoding and spelling program to some of our students. In conjunction with the Hospital for Sick Children's Learning Disabilities Research Project (LDRP), 18 of our students in Grades 2 - 4 will be exposed to this wonderful program, which is the "culmination of 30 years of rigorous, groundbreaking research". Empower Reading addresses the core learning problems that prevent children with literacy difficulties from learning to read and spell. Empower Reading attempts to reshape learners' beliefs about their own abilities and gives students the skills necessary to yield the best long-term outcomes.

The program teaches 5 decoding strategies and guides students to use these strategies effectively when independently reading for meaning, information, or pleasure. The Empower Reading teacher has been trained by researchers from the Hospital for Sick Children and continues to be mentored, supported and coached throughout the year.

We are all very excited to be a part of this project and anticipate wonderful results!

EcoTeam

The EcoTeam is back! We are recruiting past and new student members! We have many teachers involved this year who will be running a wide variety of subcommittees. We will be continuing our GOOSE bin paper collection, promoting recycling with our newly trained classroom recycling reps, and encouraging students to have a litterless lunch that contains a reusable water bottle. More information will come in the following months. Stay tuned!

P.A.L.S. program

The Playground Activity Leaders in Schools (P.A.L.S.) is a playground leadership program offered by Peel Health that encourages all children to participate in activities regardless of their gender, size or ability. The objectives of the program are to: increase physical activity, decrease conflict and reduce the incidence of playground bullying and provide leadership opportunities for students. Public Health Nurses will train teacher leaders and interested Grade 5 and 6 students in October. With their training, P.A.L.S. leaders will be eagerly teaching students skipping, tag, jumpsies, ball and winter games. P.A.L.S. leaders are out at first recess a few times a week. Look for the leaders and be prepared to have a lot of fun! There's always room for one more!

Grade 5's taking part in Student Vote

The Grade 5 students will be taking part in a Student Vote program as part of their study of our Canadian government. We are learning about our provincial government right now and are studying the candidates in our riding. Students took part in a mock-vote on October 5th and were voting for candidates the same way our older siblings and family members were. Students can't wait to see who will be our new Premier of Ontario!

No Child Without

Safe guarding your child's health is our priority.

Our school is registered with the Canadian MedicAlert Foundation in partnering with the Lions Club of Canada to offer free Medic Alert bracelets or sports bands for your child. With the increase of childhood diabetes, asthma and allergies, parents will want to ensure vital medical information is readily available. Please contact our school office if you would like more information registering for this program.

Tumblebooks

We have renewed our site licence with Tumblebooks. The Tumblebook Library is a collection of animated, talking picture books, puzzles and quizzes online. These have been created from existing picture books which have been licensed and converted to the Tumblebook format.

Visit our website for the Tumblebook link.

<http://www.dpcdsb.org/CNEWM>

Username: cncs
Password: books

ST. JOHN FISHER BAZAAR

The Christmas Bazaar Craft Sale

When: Saturday, November 5, 2011
Time: 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Where: St. John Fisher Parish Hall

Many items priced \$2.00 or less
First 35 customers will receive a free shopping bag

Visit Cardinal Newman School on the web for School information: <http://www.dpcdsb.org/CNEWM>

WHO'S WHO AT CARDINAL NEWMAN

Principal	L. Alfred
Vice Principal	K. DaCosta
Head Secretary	D. Cosentino
Assistant Secretary	F. Machado
JKA-A / SK-PM-B	N. Zubac
JK/SKAM-A/ SK-PM-A	A. Fiorletta
1-A	I. Humniski
1-B	R. Bolognese
1/2-A	P. Alati
2-A	M. Forgione
2-B	O. Sztork
3-A	M. D'Aguanno
3-B	M. Di Carlantonio
3/4-A	M. Del Vicario-Goodwin
4-A	T. Stewart
4/5-A	S. Nogueira (Mrs. Sousa)
5-A	C. Abela-Prins
5-B	J. Anisko-Clutton
5/6-A	S. McLachlan
6-A	M. Morgielewicz
6-B	N. Vlasic
7-A	P. Nasato
7-B	S. Sequeira
7/8-A	P. Bossio
8-A	B. Pereira
8-B	E. Moniz-Baptista
SERC/Planning Time	K. Reis
Library	N. Cito Frendo
SERT	G. Battista
ESL	J. Moroniewicz
Reading Recovery	M. Wadden
Planning Time	A. Chiechi
Planning Time	S. Salameh
Planning Time	S. Moroniewicz
FSL	B. Guglielmi
FSL	J. Strazzeri
FSL	J. Marcil
CYW	B. Wedderburn
ERWs	A. Cicione
	B. Heary
	C. McAndie
	H. Francis
	A. Elliott
	S. Facey
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Psychologist	A. Bolduc
Social Worker	

