

To: all.families@stpaulschool.ca
Cc: staff@stpaulschool.ca; Parish St. Paul (Richmond)
Subject: Thursday Letter
Attachments: St. Paul Car Wash (1).pdf



Dear Parents,

What a great day at Minoru yesterday! I really cherish the amazing sense of community we have with St. Joseph the Worker. It was heartwarming to hear the students from both schools cheering each other on, wishing each other good luck, and learning each others' names. Thank you to all the parents who handed out ribbons and cheered from the stands, and to the staff members from both schools for their enthusiasm and dedication this track and field season.

Thank you also to all the Gr. 4 to 7 parents who attended last night's *Sexuality and Your Child* evening with Sister John Mary Sullivan. The school shares the responsibility, in support of parents, to form our children in understanding who they are, and growing into who God has made them to be. Your attendance last night ensures you are on the right path to support your child as they navigate the coming years.

Yours in faith,

Maureen Griffin
Principal



The most powerful way to change the world is to live in front of our children the way we would like the world to be. ~ Graham White



Reporting an Absence – If your child will be away, please send an email to absent@stpaulschool.ca (as well as the teacher). **Please do NOT** email the office email address.

Hot Lunch – May 31st – Fukuroku. June 3rd – Triple O's.

Top Marks Uniform Fitting – Wed. June 5th in the gym. 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

School Mass – June 6th. Kindergarten to lead. 9:15 am in the church.

No school – Friday, June 7th. Professional Day.

CISVA Track Meet – June 5th and 12th at Swangard. See PE blog for details.

Assembly – June 14th at 9:00 am in the gym. Gr. 5 & 1 to lead.

Please use the Crosswalk - If you park on the church side of the front parking lot, please ensure you cross at the **designated crosswalk** to make your way to the covered area. Between the drop off lane and parishioners leaving after Mass lets out, it can be a very busy traffic area.



Gr. 7 Fundraiser – *The Final Chapter* (Variety Show) – Friday, June 14th at 1:00pm. The Grade 7 Fundraiser. Thank you for your support.



Does your car need a wash? - Join our community car wash on **Saturday, June 15th**. Come and participate in this fun community event, spend time with friends and family, and leave with a shiny, clean car! See the attached flyer for details. If interested, please sign up for a time.



St. Paul Parish Picnic - Sunday, July 28, 2024 (1pm to 5pm). Stay tuned! More details coming soon.

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Follow us on Instagram! - st.paul.school.richmond.

2023/2024 School Calendar - This year's online calendar has been updated. If you are looking for professional days, dates for school holidays, etc., our online calendar is updated to June 2024. The calendar can be accessed through the school website at www.stpaulschool.ca.

If your child will be away – A reminder to please email the office and the teacher if your child is sick. This needs to be done each day your child is away, and please email before 8:30 AM. Thank you.

Late Arrivals to School – Please note that **instruction in the classroom begins at 8:45 AM.** We have a number of students arriving late to school on a daily basis, so we ask our families to make an effort to have your child arrive to school in time to be settled in the classroom by 8:45 and ready to learn. Thank you.

Rainy Days – Like last year, we will continue with students going outside for recess, regardless of inclement weather. A reminder to ensure your child is dressed for the possibility of wet weather every day, as they go outside for recess rain or shine. Extra socks are handy to have in the backpack.



When Parents Have Concerns – If at any time you have a concern regarding your child, a school event, a staff member, or an incident that happened, we ask that you please come and speak with your child's teacher. The only way that concerns can be effectively resolved is through open communication between home and school, resulting in accurate information being shared, and an informed understanding of your concern.

Planning the school year? –If you are looking for professional days, dates for school holidays, etc., our online calendar is updated to June 2021. The calendar can be accessed through the school website at www.stpaulschool.ca.

When your Child is Sick – In anticipation of cold and flu season, we'd like to remind parents to be prudent when it comes to deciding when to keep your child home, or when to send him/her to school if he/she has just recovered from being ill. Some basic guidelines are as follows: 24 hours after temperature returns to normal, or after gastrointestinal illness (vomiting/diarrhea); contagious infections such as suspected pink eye or strep throat; unexplained skin rash; severe cough and cold symptoms. Exercising proper hand washing techniques is also crucial to helping prevent the spread of viruses. This will go a long way to keep our student and staff population happy and at school.

Birthday Celebrations – If you wish to have your child share a special treat with the class on his/her birthday, you are welcome to send **a small allergen-free treat** that the teacher can hand out at the end of the day. We now have **30 students** who carry Epi-Pens for food-related allergies, so all treats must be free of allergens according to our school policy on anaphylaxis. Please help us keep all our students safe.

