

# École St. Mother Teresa School



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**Newsletter #5**

**January 12, 2022**

## Dates to Remember

**Monday**  
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**Thursday**

**January 17**  
**January 24**  
**January 27**

**MTCCSC Meeting 7 pm (via Google Meet)**  
**PLD – NO SCHOOL**  
**Booster Juice Hot Lunch**

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

During the month of January, we will begin each week with a prayer and gospel virtue reflection for Hope. This will be an opportunity for the staff and students of our St. Mother Teresa community to think about those who give us hope and the opportunities that we have to live and actively practice this gospel virtue in our daily lives. Unfortunately, extra-curricular activities are presently on pause due to our present circumstances with Covid-19. We are awaiting an update for scheduled track meets in February and March for the indoor track season as meets have been cancelled for the month of January. As well, the basketball season is also on pause as we await updates to cohort students and visit neighboring schools. High student absenteeism and SHA directives will determine if extra-curricular activities can proceed.

With the warmer weather, we are grateful to have our patrol team out at our crosswalk ensuring students and parents cross safely. I also wish to express my gratitude to the Hope Club members who provided prayer cards to all staff following our return from the Christmas break. The leadership and volunteerism of our students is a blessing!

A gentle reminder to parents that our **doors do not open until 8:25**. Under the present circumstances, students are required to enter the school in the morning at the door they are assigned by classroom. If students have their class assigned to the front door, they must wait outside until a staff member (usually school admin) indicates they can come in. Students in the Before and After School Program are permitted to enter the front door before 8:25. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

French Education Week will be scheduled before our February break (February 14-18). Our annual winter carnival which includes several activities such as cross-country skiing, land skis, gunny sack races, tug-o-war competitions, snowshoes, etc. will take place February 15 and 16. We will also schedule French language and culture activities for classrooms based on in-person and virtual availability.

As stated in our community announcements through School Messenger, we respectfully ask parents to report positive Covid-19 tests to the school in the following manner:

Call the school (306-659-7240) and **provide the following information:**

1. Name of student and homeroom (grade and teacher)
2. Type of test (rapid or PCR) and date of positive test
3. Date they last attended school
4. Bus (color or route) and Before/After School participant if applicable – please provide the last date of attendance (rode bus or participated in Before/After School Program)

**\* PLEASE DO NOT REPORT A POSITIVE COVID TEST VIA EDSBY OR BY EMAILING THE TEACHER \***

We are now accepting registrations for students who wish to begin Kindergarten in the fall of 2022. Children who will be five years of age on or before January 31, 2023 may begin Kindergarten for the 2022-23 school year. Our Kindergarten Information Night is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 2 at 7:00 pm in our gym (if we are permitted to meet in person). St. Mother Teresa serves Silverspring for our English program and the following areas for French Immersion: Silverspring, Evergreen, Aspen Ridge, Willowgrove, Erindale, Arbor Creek, Forest Grove and bordering areas of Sutherland. Please encourage neighbors who are considering French Immersion to attend our information evening. We ask parents to call our office at 306-659-7240 to register and provide their contact information so that we can organize a virtual meeting if required.

Happy New Year to our St. Mother Teresa Community! We would like to thank everyone for the generosity and joy shared with our staff and we pray that this New Year provides you with peace, prosperity and good health!

Guy Werbicki  
Seb Rock

### MOTHER TERESA CO-OPERATIVE PRESCHOOL

Registration for Mother Teresa Cooperative Preschool for the 2022-23 school year opens online January 12 at 6:00 pm!

The preschool program is for children ages 3 and 4, with a variety of sessions available. Information, including a virtual open house and online registration form, is available on the website

at: <https://www.motherteresapreschool.com/>

Limited spaces available - registration is first come, first served!



### LOVABLE LABELS ONLINE FUNDRAISER

Help keep your family organized and support our playground expansion by ordering customized labels with Loveable Labels! Visit <http://www.motherteresacscc.lovablelabels.ca/> to place an order. Shipping is always FREE and orders can be placed anytime throughout the year.

### ÉCOLE ST. MOTHER TERESA CSCC MEETING

The next MTCSCC meeting will be held on January 17 at 7:00 pm virtually via Google Meet. All parents and caregivers are invited to attend. It's a great way to get involved in the life of our school. If you wish to receive council emails or an invite to the virtual meeting, please email Krista at [kristadennis@sasktel.net](mailto:kristadennis@sasktel.net).

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK

We are looking for volunteers to help organize events for Staff Appreciation Week. This week is held February 7-11 and the theme this year is *Pulling Together*. Please email Krista at [kristadennis@sasktel.net](mailto:kristadennis@sasktel.net) if you would like to help plan events to show our appreciation for the amazing staff at St. Mother Teresa!



We have students and staff with peanut/nut allergies. The degree of sensitivity to peanuts/nuts varies greatly.

For some children, an allergy to peanuts/nuts can be life threatening.

For the safety of our children, we ask students and parents to support our peanut/nut aware policy.



Due to allergies and asthma within our school community, the use of perfumes, colognes or scented hygiene products may seriously affect an individual's ability to breathe!

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation and consideration of these students, parents and staff.

**Please refrain from purchasing scented hand sanitizers for your children.**



## New Year's Prayer

Let us live each day in the most loving ways, the God-conscious way.

Let us serve all who are in need, regardless of race, color or creed.

May your year be filled with peace, prosperity and love.

May God's blessings shower upon you and bestow upon each of you a bright,  
healthy and peaceful new year.