

École St. Mother Teresa School



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Newsletter #3



November 3, 2021

Dates to Remember

Monday
Thursday
Friday
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Friday

November 8
November 11
November 12
November 15
November 18
November 19

Lifetouch Picture orders due
Remembrance Day
NO SCHOOL
MTCSCC Meeting 7:00 pm
3-Way Conferences 3:45 – 8:00 p.m.
3-Way Conferences 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
NO SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello families of École St. Mother Teresa School!

A big thank you to all of our families who donated to our Socktober collection in support of three inner city schools in Saskatoon and Egadz. Merci! It was a fun competition between classrooms as we all tried to fill up our boxes! In the end, it was Mme Roberge-Dyck's Gr. 1 French class that came out victorious!! Congratulations! What an amazing spirit of giving we have at École St. Mother Teresa School! As Saint John Paul II notes, "God loves those who find joy in giving." Similarly, Saint Francis of Assisi said, "For it is in giving that we receive." Again, thank you!

Secondly, with the cold weather now creeping in, please ensure that your children are coming to school dressed for the outside breaks. Unless the weather (with the wind chill) reaches -25 or colder, all students are expected to go outside for a fresh air break during our morning recess, lunch break recess and again at the afternoon recess. We thank you for your anticipated cooperation in keeping the students warm and safe!

And finally, it has been a busy and exciting time with teachers working hard to prepare for the first progress reports and portfolios which will go home later this month. As we are reminded of our school division mission and our purpose as parents and teachers, we celebrate that *"We are Growing in Knowledge"*. Please see the information below regarding our plan for the first reporting period. By that same token, we are also very excited to share the work and progress of each of your children at our very first VIRTUAL 3-Way Conferences. Our goal is to have 100% participation!

As always, thank you for your support!

♥ *Ms. Giocoli Clark*

REMEMBRANCE DAY LITURGY



On Wednesday, November 10, we will celebrate a virtual Remembrance Day Liturgy as we pay tribute to the veterans and current peacekeepers of our country. Students and staff will also be given a poppy before our liturgy and have an opportunity to donate to the Remembrance Day Poppy Campaign. All the money donated is spent locally. Most of the proceeds are used to provide assistance to veterans and/or spouses with low incomes. Other money is often used to purchase medical equipment for local hospitals. Please consider sending money to the school with your child(ren) in support of this initiative.

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulation to all of our cross country runners who participated in our division's cross country meet last month. Our team did an amazing job representing École St. Mother Teresa School! Many of our students placed within the Top 10 standings within their age category and were presented with a ribbon. Also, thank you to our coaches, M Schlichemeyer, M Tine and Mlle Vu, who practiced and coached our cross-country team.



TERM 1 REPORTING PERIOD

The following is our plan for this first reporting period:

- ❖ Teachers will be sending portfolios home on Monday, November 15th.
- ❖ We are asking that portfolios are returned to the school the following week.
- ❖ Virtual 3-Way Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 18 from 3:45 – 8:00 p.m. and Friday, Nov. 19 from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm. **(There will be no school for students on Friday.)** Starting this Friday, (November 5th), parents/guardians will be invited to go online to book a 15 minute conference time for their child with their homeroom teacher. Details about how to do this will be coming very soon.
- ❖ Three-way conferences include parents/teacher/student (all grade levels).
- ❖ Kindergarten students do not have progress reports at this time but parents are asked to make appointments for the 3-way conferences.
- ❖ Progress reports will be "published" online on December 1st, 2021.

SCHOOLS WIN TWICE ONLINE TICKET SALES

Thank you for your continued support with our annual Schools Win Twice Online Lottery and 50/50! The lottery is off to a great start. Please note that we have less than 1 month before the campaign ends. You can share information and links with family and friends (in Saskatchewan), and they can purchase tickets online. Their ticket purchase will directly benefit our students. Please click the following link to purchase:

<https://schoolswintwice.ca/>

Schools Win Twice by receiving 50% of our school's prize lottery ticket sales and we can apply to the Foundation for additional grants. Plus, the school with the highest per capita ticket sales will also receive a \$1,000 bonus payment. Be sure to select our school under the **Contribution** drop down box when purchasing your tickets. Draw date: December 1, 2021.

AVGEN GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER

With Christmas around the corner, the Avgen gift cards make great gifts for friends, family, coworkers, etc. Upon their arrival at school, your child will be given your card(s) to take home. This will be approximately December 8. Please send the completed order form with your payment (cheques made out to *Friends of Mother Teresa Catholic School or FOMTCS*) and hand it in to the office **on or before Friday, November 26**. If you have any questions, please email kristadennis@sasktel.net. Thank you! Happy shopping!



Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered to be a room parent for your child's classroom. There are still a few classrooms in need of volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up at the following link. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4DA4AF22A5FB6-stmother>.

ÉCOLE ST. MOTHER TERESA CSCC MEETING

The next MTCSCC meeting will be held on November 15 at 7:00 pm in the school library. There will also be an option to join the meeting virtually. 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.



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.

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL ANNUAL

Christmas Plant Sale

for The Cathedral of the Holy Family

hfc.growingsmilesfundraising.com
ORDERS ACCEPTED TILL NOV. 16 @ 3PM
PICK UP: WED. DEC. 1 - 1:00 TO 6:30PM (AT HFC)

INQUIRIES CAN BE DIRECTED TO
HFCPLANTSALE@GMAIL.COM
OR 306-227-8465

The advertisement features several festive illustrations: a large red poinsettia in a pot, a green wreath with red ribbons, a small evergreen tree in a red and black plaid pot, and a white planter box labeled "CHRISTMAS TREE 'Y FARM'". The background includes stylized snowflakes and evergreen trees.