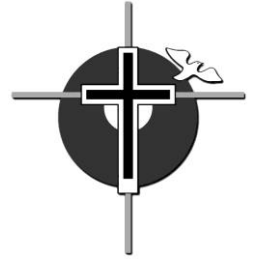


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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I would like to begin by wishing everyone a Happy New Year. I hope that the holiday season proved to be both a restful and an enjoyable time with family and friends. I wish you all the very best in 2018!

I would also like to express how truly honoured I am to have been chosen to take over the role of Principal at St. Jude Catholic School. I know how much Mme. Boucher will be missed but I will do my very best to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible. After nearly twenty years with the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario, I am absolutely thrilled that my journey has brought me here. I have heard the most wonderful things about the students, the staff, the parents, and the other members of this Catholic school community. I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you and I value the opportunity to work together at ensuring that our students reach their full potential. Thank you to everyone who has already helped make me feel so very welcomed. I truly appreciate it!

Although I was not able to take part in the multitude of special events that took place in December, I understand that it was a truly wonderful month at St. Jude Catholic School. Thanks to everyone who helped bring the Christmas spirit alive. Your efforts and your generosity helped make the activities and the fundraising a real success. Thanks again to everyone who was involved. God bless!

Have a lovely month of January,

S. Wilcox, Principal

FROM OUR PARISH, ST. JUDE



Weekend Masses continue to be celebrated at these times:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

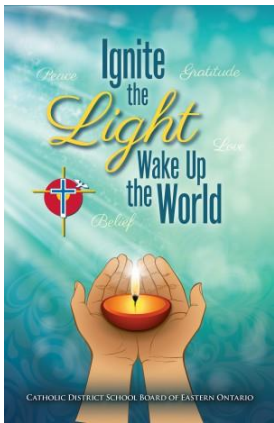
Sunday 9:00 a.m.

CONGRATULATIONS to the students who took part in the Christmas Eve Mass. Special thanks to Mrs. Pearl for preparing the children for this beautiful and memorable celebration!

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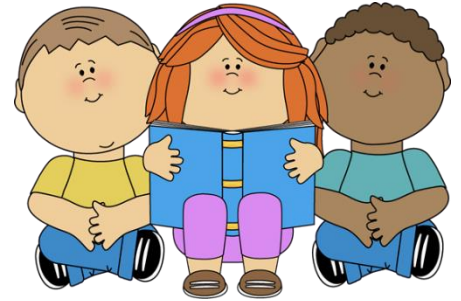
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Family Literacy Day: January 27

On January 27, 2018, Family Literacy Day will celebrate 19 years of learning as a family. The initiative, created by ABC Life Literacy Canada in 1999, has been embraced by literacy organizations, schools and libraries all across Canada. ABC Life Literacy Canada is encouraging Canadian families to have "15 Minutes of Fun" learning together.



Family literacy refers to the many ways families develop and use literacy skills, from enjoying a storybook together at bedtime and during the day, to playing with word games, singing, writing to a relative or friend, sharing day-to-day tasks such as making a shopping list or using a recipe, and surfing the Internet for fun and interesting sites (*Family Literacy in Canada: Profiles of Effective Practices*, Adele Thomas, Soleil Publishing Inc., 1998). These teachable moments at home help children learn listening skills and language skills, and develop their imaginations and creativity — and are also opportunities for adults to practise their skills.

Inferring/Inférence is the reading strategy that will be taught and focused on in the months of January and February across all grades in both the English and French Language Arts Programs.

Full-Day Kindergarten: Registration time is here! Tell your friends and families to call St. Jude Catholic School at **613-678-5455**. **REGISTRATION DAY IS WENESDAY, JANUARY 17TH**. Please contact the school for an appointment.

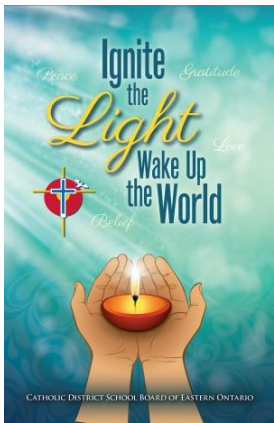
Also note that we will be having an **Open-House from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. on Monday, January 15th** for anyone thinking of registering for our full-day kindergarten program. It will be a great opportunity to visit the school and meet some of the staff. Please help spread the word!



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OUR DECEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH ARE:

Clara, William, Blake, Faith-Lynn, Alyssia, Sadie, Alice, Cooper, Connor, Emma-Maria, Lucas, Abigail, Georgia, Cody, Dakota, Owen, Nora, and Charlotte.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL RECIPIENTS, FOR IGNITING THE LIGHT AND WAKING UP THE WORLD!

FROM ST. JUDE CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL

Happy New Year and Welcome Back!!

Our Family Movie Night this month will be on January 19th at 6:30 pm. A flyer will be sent home to families shortly.

We will have popcorn for sale on January 12 and January 26 for only \$1.00! Thank you for your continued support.

If you have a little extra time to give, the school is always looking for volunteers to help out for various activities such as helping out in the classrooms, St. Jude Eco Club, various outings and especially to distribute hot lunches. Please consider donating the precious gift of your time. For more information on volunteering, please contact Stephane Wilcox, School Principal, to fill out a vulnerable sector check application.

Our next meeting will be held on February 13th at 6:30 pm in the school library. Parents and guardians are always welcome and encouraged to attend! We look forward to seeing you.

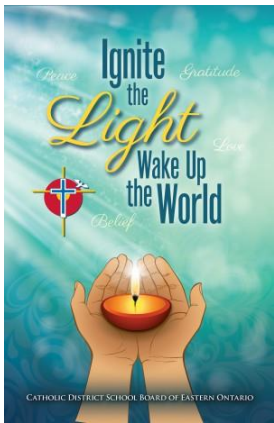
Lorraine Boyer, CSC chair 2017-2018

PEDICULOSIS (HEADLICE): We ask all parents/guardians to be vigilant and to regularly check your child's hair for pediculosis. Please call the school to inform us if your child has been infected. We will do our best to help stop the spreading.

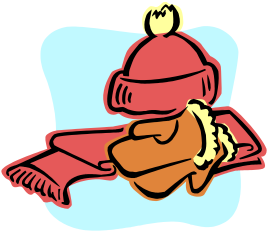
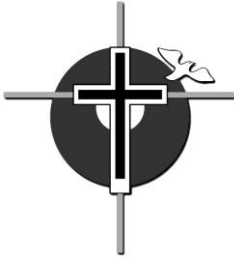
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Please send some extra items to school with your child: mittens, socks, gloves, hat. Thank you. A reminder that students are outside for a period of 40 minutes at lunch. Therefore, proper outdoor clothing is required. Students have been reminded not to throw snow balls and to share the snow, i.e.: building forts. Thank you for your continued support.

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