



St. Margaret Mary CES

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Dear Families,

This month we celebrate justice. This is one of the virtues that Jesus modeled through his words and deeds. We take opportunities this month to reflect on the justice that is needed to heal our beautiful, yet wounded planet. We think of the justice needed in the classroom and school yard to heal fractured relationships. We think of the justice needed to stand for the world. When we join justice with Compassion (October's virtue) we strongly echo the Gospel message and example of Jesus. We pray for peace, and can reflect on the wise words of St. Francis in his well known Prayer for Peace. (Make me an instrument of your peace...)

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mrs. Snyder

Prayer 🙏

God of love, may we walk with saints in the ways of justice, peace, and freedom this month and always. With the company of saints may we seek justice where there is none. We strive to be responsible citizens. Amen.

Week at a Glance-November 4-8, 2024

Monday	Nov 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pizza Lunch 🍕• Lego Club 11:15-12:15
Tuesday	Nov 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bar Burrito Lunch 🌮
Wednesday	Nov 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Father Bressani Guidance visit to Grade 8s• Harvey's Lunch 🍔
Thursday	Nov 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• X-Press Chicken 🍗• Intermediate Div: Health Canada "Pursue your Passion" virtual workshop
Friday	Nov 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Masucci's class to STREAM centre• Cookie Sales 🍪

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH: JUSTICE

- I will treat others in a just, equitable and unbiased manner.
- I will play by the rules, take turns and share.
- I will be open-minded and listen to others

Students are encouraged to demonstrate these monthly virtues in their daily actions and words with one another.

PROGRESS REPORTS:

Progress Reports for students will be available to Parents through the Parent Portal on Tuesday, November 12th. General progress in Learning Skills and Work Habits and general progress in working towards meeting the expectations in specific subject areas will be the focus. All parents are invited to

participate in the Parent-Teacher interviews. Interviews will be held on November 14 (4:00 pm-5:00 pm and 6:00 pm-8:00 pm) and November 15 (8:30 am-10 am). We will be organizing these via School Day. A stand alone email with important information will be sent next week.

SPOOK-A-THON FUNDRAISER RESULTS

We are proud to report that we have raised \$9697.15 thus far. Our link on [School Day](#) will remain open until November 8th for any last minute donations. Can we make it to \$10000??

Thank you to the parent community once again for your generosity and support. As a result of our fundraising initiatives, we are excited to be purchasing classroom technology, classroom enhancements by division and by class. We will also use funds to address some important mental health and mindfulness topics.

Our dedicated and committed staff members supported the fundraiser by either collecting and/or counting monies – this was truly an entire school effort. A special thanks to our Intermediate Staff (Ms. Febraro, Ms. Vono and Ms. Fiorucci) who worked tirelessly to make our Halloween Dance-A-Thon so memorable.

Congratulations to our top three fundraisers:

Serena C, Portia G, Elle G

Congratulations to our “Early Bird” Winners

Madeline R (Twice), Paolo R, Isabella P, Leonardo D

Top Class Fundraising Ice Cream Sandwich Snack

Winning classes are: Ms. Buttrico, Ms. Ceresoli, Ms. Loconte, Ms. Fiorucci

Grand Prize “Principal for the Day”

We will make this draw on Friday, November 8th so that we can include any funds raised until then. The Principal for the Day will report for duty on Monday, November 11, 2024.

Congratulations St. Margaret Mary Community-THANK YOU!!!

UPCOMING: (all important dates can be found on the SMM website):

- November 11- Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:30 am
- November 12- Progress Reports available through the Parent Portal
- November 13- Int Boys VB Tournament
- November 14- Parent/Teacher Conferences in the evening
- November 15- PA Day (Parent/Teacher Conferences in the morning)
- November 18- Int Girls VB Tournament
- November 18-22-Bullying Prevention Week
- November 18-22- SMM Scholastic Book Fair
- November 27- CSC Meeting at 6:30pm in the School Library
- November 27- First Holy Communion Meeting at SMM Parish (6pm)
- November 28- Confirmation Meeting at SMM Parish (6pm)
- December 3- SMM CSC Christmas Market with a special guest appearance by Santa Claus



