

## APRIL 2019 COUGAR HIGHLIGHTS

### *A Prayer by St. Anselm of Canterbury*

*O my God, teach my heart where and how to seek You,  
where and how to find You.  
You are my God and You are my all and I have never seen You.  
You have made me and remade me,  
You have bestowed on me all the good things I possess,  
Still I do not know You.  
I have not yet done that for which I was made.  
Teach me to seek You.  
I cannot seek You unless You teach me  
or find You unless You show Yourself to me.  
Let me seek You in my desire,  
let me desire You in my seeking.  
Let me find You by loving You,  
let me love You when I find You.*

*Amen*

*This is the season of Lent. This is such a special time and we are to constantly remind each other that God gave us His only Son. We aim to be more like Jesus daily. Remind your children to accept all people and to spread His joy throughout the day. See the Mass and Confession times for St. Francis Xavier Parish.*

Parking continues to be an issue at dismissal and arrival. If one parent or grandparent stops and gets out of the car, everyone believes it is okay to do so. This is not the case, by stopping and getting out of your car you are putting students, staff and parents at risk. This is a no stopping, no idling area. Arrive early and find a parking spot or walk to and from school. If you must pull up front, circle around until your child comes out to the gate area and gets in the car immediately. SAFETY IS CRITICAL!

All visitors must report to the office. Safety is crucial and you are a stranger to the students in the building.

We continue to monitor the safety of all students by not bringing in food items that contain nuts, peanuts or tree nuts. This can seriously hurt a child. No Nutella, peanut butter or treats with nuts – peanuts or tree-nuts are permitted at school. Remind your child to eat only the treats you provide and not to share snacks at school.

Public Speaking has been taking place for the past few weeks. Congratulations to the following students, who will be representing our school at the Feeder School Run off **Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>** at Our Lady of Peace: Julian M., Anthony D., Eva D., Victoria P., Sofia M., Vincent D., Hannah B., Lucas T., Julianna F. and Abigail H.

Thank you to all staff who have coached a team or a club. Coaching takes a lot of time and effort. A big thank you for providing the wonderful opportunities to our students.

Congratulations to our grade 2 students who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is an important step on their Spiritual Journey. Special thanks to Mrs. Colamartini and Miss DiLivio for preparing the students. Thank you to Mrs. Noce and Mrs. Batt for helping with the Sacrament. Thank you Mrs. Higgins and Mrs. Fortuna (Nonna) for all the assistance with the students and teachers in preparing for the Sacrament.

Thank you to all who sold World's Finest Chocolates! Our prize winners are: Matteo M. - Hovercart; Lily, Skye & Stone F. - \$150. Walmart Gift Card; Eva D. - Emoji Flying Ball; Alice H. - Emoji Flying Ball; Nicholas S. - 5lb Chocolate Bar and Daniella I. - Head Phones. We raised over \$ 7,800.00. Special thanks to Mrs. Miller and the CSC for all they do for our school. All monies raised go back to your child. We have purchased a lot of technology over the past few years, new textbooks are provided, agenda's, guests- such as Sara Westbrook, money for trips, championship plaques in the gym, materials for Sacramental preparation and much more.

Riding the bus is a privilege. Bus students are reminded of the importance of remaining seated the entire bus ride, no eating on the bus and using their manners. We have students of all ages on the bus. If the bus driver feels a student is a safety concern, they may lose this privilege.

Please check the calendar for important dates for the school.