

## NOVEMBER 2019 COUGAR HIGHLIGHTS

**"BE THE FACE OF JESUS, SEE THE FACE OF JESUS"**

*November is here. During the month of November, we pray for the Saints, our departed loved ones and for each other.*

*Thank you, God, for the tremendous sacrifices made by those who have gone before us. Bless the memories of your saints, God. May we learn how to walk wisely from their examples of faith, dedication, worship, and love. In the honour and noble victory of the martyrs. We pray for all our loved ones who are deceased. ST. CLARE OF ASSISI, PRAY FOR US*

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on **Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>** at St. Francis Xavier Church. Pray for our grade 7 students who will be making the Sacrament of Confirmation.

We need baked goods for the evening of Confirmation. If you can donate cookies, squares, cupcakes, please send them to school **by the afternoon of Friday November 22<sup>nd</sup>**. The treats will be used for the reception after Confirmation with His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby. Please mark if they are peanut/tree nut safe or not. Label your tray if it is to be returned.

Parking is still an ongoing concern. The front area of the school is not a parking zone. Do not leave your vehicle in this area. This is a bus zone and fire zone only. If you are dropping off, students must exit on the passenger side. If you are picking up, you must circle around until your child is waiting out front and they must enter from the passenger side. Have all students buckle up, this is the law. Safety should be a priority for everyone.

We are a peanut safe zone. Do not send treats to school that contain peanuts or tree nuts. Students' lives are at risk.

We have had a great start to the CYO teams. We have junior girls' basketball, senior girls' basketball, flag football – junior boys' and girls' - senior boys' and girls'. Thank you to all coaches for being there for the students and giving your time. Special thanks to Alessia P. and Reanna R. for coming from high school to coach the Junior Girls' Basketball team. Very special thank you to Mr. Roarke for coaching and running the practices with our high school volunteers.

School begins at **8:40**. Being late for school causes disruption to the office, the staff and fellow classmates. Be on time. Arrive in proper uniform. All tops should be crested or embroidered. Tights and cargo pants are not part of the school uniform. Check the McCarthy site for full uniform items.

**Report Cards** will go home on **Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>**. Interviews are set for **November 14<sup>th</sup>**. A letter will be coming home for preferred time slots. Please fill it in and send it back to school.

**Scholastic Book Fair** - Drop by and pick up some excellent reading material. The book fair is coming to our library on **Wednesday, November 13th** from **8:30am to 3:30pm** and **Thursday, November 14th** from **8:30am to 8:00pm**. Payments accepted include cash, debit and credit. Drop by and pick up some excellent reading material or gifts. See you at the book fair!

We will be sending home information about our sponsored families for Christmas and the giving tree soon. Please consider sponsoring a child.

CSC raised \$ 9,500.00 on the Move-a-thon. We are so thankful for all the hard work by the CSC and the many volunteers. We will be using the money for student needs. A description will be sent home in the upcoming months. Come out to our next CSC meeting on **November 25<sup>th</sup>** at **6:00 pm**

School is a safe zone. Students must follow school rules and expectations. Keeping hands and feet to themselves is an expectation as well as using kind words. Remind your child of the importance of accepting others, including and playing fair and safe. Things unfortunately do happen, we follow progressive discipline, and Restorative Practices, aiming to build resilience, empathy and care for one another. Only nerf is permitted on the school yard. Supervision on the yard does not begin until **8:25 am**. This recess is walk and talk only. Parents, grandparents are encouraged to drop off and leave the school yard for the safety of all students. Staff is outside supervising at 8:25 am.