

Bulletin #13-16

November 17, 2016

GRADE 6 & 1 MASS:

Thank you for your generous response to the Grades 6 & 1 Mass. We appreciate everyone who has volunteered, please meet at the vestibule of the church at 10:45. Due to the craft fair, there will not be coffee in the meeting room after Mass. We look forward to seeing everyone at Mass and encourage all families to visit the craft fair afterwards.

Ushering: William Kim, Jordan D’Cunha, Nick Oikawa, Sun-Bin Hong.

Altar Serving: Julia Kramer, Gabriele Altomare.

Greeter: Julie Souza, Norah Kelly, Chloe Watkins, Victor Guzman, Claudia Artis, Bjarne Torres.

Bring up Gifts: Massimo La Pica, Diego Bernardez-Lai, Maurene Kramer, Bernice Wong.

DON’T FORGET YOUR PIZZA’S:

Rocky Mountain Pizza Fundraiser

Remember to pick up your pizzas from outside the gym **tomorrow** between 2:45 and 3:15.

REMINDER:

St Pius X School will not be having classes on **Friday, December 2nd** due to Parent Teacher Interviews.

REPORT CARDS:

First term student progress reports will be distributed on **Monday, November 28th**. Please read, sign the report cover and return it in the envelope provided on **Friday, December 2nd** for discussion during parent-teacher interviews.

- K, 1, 2 & 3, interviews remain Parent/Teacher only.
- Gr. 4, 5, 6, & 7 students are to attend the interviews with their parents and should be in full school uniform.

If you would like to make an appointment with the following specialist teachers (Mrs. Simpson: LAC, Ms. Bota: French K – 7, Mrs. Justine Blicq: Music K – 4, Mr. Perrotta: Information Technology) please call the school office at 604.929.0345.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT REHEARSAL FOR CAST MEMBERS:

Friday, November 18th 7:45 a.m.-8:35 a.m.

Monday, November 21st 3-4p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 23rd 3-4 p.m.

Friday, November 25th 7:45 a.m. – 8:35 a.m.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT PROPS NEEDED:

If you have any green outdoor grass-like carpet we could borrow for our production of “All About That Baby”, please contact the school office.

PARENT STANDING COMMITTEE:

Christmas Craft Fair-Sunday, November 20th from 10a.m. – 2p.m.

We are still welcoming any donations for the raffle and toys for the nearly new, slightly used sale. Please drop your donation at the office.

This year’s Christmas Craft Fair is going to be fantastic! We have many new crafters, a delicious menu for lunch prepared and served by the Catholic Women’s League, exciting children’s activities like the kid zone, Scholastic book fair, crafting stations, photos with Santa, hourly raffle, and the angelic voices of our St. Pius X School Choir, .

Schedule of Events:

10:00 Doors open

10:00 – 2:00 Children’s craft, kid zone (\$2 donation for child minding)

10:00-2:00 Photos with Santa or Festive Photos

Thank you to all the volunteers who have committed to the success of this event.

Poinsettia Fundraiser

Thank you for your support. Plants will be available for pick up at the school during the day on **Friday, December 2nd**.

CHOIR NEWS:

The Primary and Intermediate Choirs will be singing at the Christmas Craft Fair on **Sunday, November 20th** .Choir members are asked to meet Mrs. Wilkinson and Ms. Blicq in the front hall of the school library at **12:00 p.m. in full school uniform.**

NOVEMBER MEANS COLDER WEATHER:

As November brings colder days, please ensure your child (ren) are warmly dressed for the weather and for outdoor recesses.

BLANKET DRIVE:

Please join us in participating in the “Realtors Care Foundation- Blanket Drive” for the homeless. We will collect new or gently used blankets, toiletries, sleeping bags, coats, scarves, gloves and socks (new). Please bring your items in boxes or bags to the front of the school **by Friday, November 18th**. Thanks for helping out!

FIRST COMMUNION MEETING:

On Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m. there will be a meeting for parents of children who will have their First Communion in the Parish meeting room. One parent must attend.

GUARDIAN GAZETTE:

We will be accepting poems, stories, jokes, riddles, athletic pieces and pictures for our school newspaper until **Friday, November 25th**. Submissions may be handed in on paper or emailed to guardiangazette@hotmail.com

GRADE 7 ART CLUB:

Students will not be meeting for Art Club next week (November 21st to 25th) due to the Book Fair. Efforts will be made to schedule two meetings the following week.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR:

The Scholastic Book Fair will begin on Sunday, November 20th at the Christmas Craft Fair and will continue throughout the week until Friday, November 25th. The fair will be open to students during lunch hours and after school in our Music Room. There will be many great book selections, perhaps some Christmas ideas too. Come out and support our Book Fair. Book Fair profits will help us purchase new reading materials for our school and classroom libraries.

PRIMARY SPEECH ARTS K - 3:

This year’s Primary Speech Arts Festival will be held from **Monday, January 23rd – Friday, January 27th, 2017**. Please mark your calendars in order to ensure that you are able to see your child’s presentation. The deadline for poetry selection will be Monday, December 5th. Please be reminded this is a FIRM deadline.

SAFETY AT SCHOOL:

Please review the following items to help us provide a safe learning environment for all our students:

- In the mornings, primary students are supervised by the teacher on duty at 8:35 a.m. **The Primary Playground is CLOSED in the mornings.**
- Please phone the school office and leave a voice mail if necessary, if your child is sick or will be late. We rely on phone messages, which are checked regularly, for notification of changes in attendance. Please do not send an email.
- All parents/visitors are required to sign in at the office and receive a visitor's badge.
- If students are leaving school early for an appointment, parents are asked to pick up their children at the office and sign them out. Kindly make arrangements with your child and send a note to the teacher in the agenda book so that we can minimize class disruptions.
- Please park in designated spots only and follow the traffic pattern and speed limit. We have noticed that some cars are parking alongside the east gym wall (near the school bus). This causes great difficulty for those who are parked correctly in the designated spots. In addition, it places our students at risk.

SNOWY DAYS:

- In the event of a school closure due to snow, all families are asked to listen to CKNW Radio 980 AM and check their website for information. Every attempt will be made to get this broadcast to you as early as possible in the morning (approx. 7:15 a.m.). This is your most reliable source of information. Please do not contact the school, as every effort will be made to email families regarding a school closure.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS:

St. Pius X School will be closed for Christmas holidays at **NOON on Friday, December 16th**. School will re-open on **Monday, January 3rd at 8:50 a.m.**

HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION:

Once again this year, the students of St. Pius X School will be supporting the Holy Childhood Association by raising donations for St. Joseph's Catholic School at the Chiriaco Mission, located in Peru. This year, students from Kindergarten through Grade Seven will participate. HCA is a worldwide club that connects elementary school children in Canada with children and youth in developing countries. The motto is, "Children Helping Children". Students in K to Grade Seven will receive a collection box for their offerings on Tuesday, November 22nd. Children are encouraged to make their own small monetary contributions and sacrifices. Boxes are to be returned to school by January 9th.

THE VARIETY SHOW (GRADES 3-7)

Students in grades 3-7 are invited to audition for the school variety show. Auditions will be held on **Tuesday, January 31st** at lunch and Wednesday, February 1st at 7:45 a.m. The variety show itself will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, February 24th. More information to follow.

HOT LUNCH DATES:

Friday, November 18th -Pizza & Smoothies - Volunteers: Taline & Regina

Friday November 25th- Chicken Burgers & Frozen yogurt - Volunteers: Maritza, Neema & Krista

Thursday, December 1st- Subway & Smoothies- Volunteers: Linda

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE:

Monday, November 21st Gr. 5/6 girls 7:45 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Gr. 6 boys 12:00-12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 22nd Gr. 5 boys 12:00-12:30 p.m.

Gr. 5/6 girls 3:15 -4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 23rd Gr. 7 boys/girls 7:45 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Gr. 5 boys 12:00-12:30 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 24th Gr. 6 boys 12:00-12:30 p.m.

Gr.7 boys/girls 3:15 -4:15 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 25th Gr. 5 boys 12:00-12:30 p.m.

Gr. 5, 6, 7 boys **GAME vs Holy Cross (at SPX) 3:00-5:00 P.M.**

YARD DUTY NOV. 21st- 25th:

Monday- Leroy Dullemond

Tuesday- Sarah McLeary

Wednesday- Christine Kramer

Thursday-Soo Cho

Friday- Veronica Melendez

CROSSING GUARD NOV. 21st- 25th:

Monday a.m.: Kathy Cole
Monday p.m.: Aga Marzec

Tuesday a.m.: Hélène McLewin
Tuesday p.m.: Gina Wall

Wednesday a.m.: Ileana Torres
Wednesday p.m.: Carmen Grigoruta

Thursday a.m.: Kathy Cole
Thursday p.m.: Elizabeth Hewitt

Friday a.m.: Kathy Cole
Friday p.m.: Catalina Sanchez

STA ANNOUNCEMENT:

The students from STA were treated to a music and life-changing testimonial afternoon from Fr. Rob Galea last Thursday. Fr. Galea is a young priest from Australia who inspires youth around the world.

The girls' volleyball teams are competing in the playoffs this week hoping for a spot in the upcoming Provincial Championships.

LOST AND FOUND:

Cyrus Tam in Grade Three, lost his labeled school sweater at school, if anyone comes across it please bring it back to Grade three.