



# CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL

## FALL 2017

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear parents/guardians:

I would like to take this opportunity to once again welcome our new and returning families. Christ the King School has 134 families (three more families than last year) and an enrollment of 188 students, from Junior Kindergarten to grade 8. It is amazing to see how the students are growing and maturing so fast. Students have quickly settled into the rhythms and routines of school life. A huge thank you to our teachers and support staff for all their work.

The technology world is evolving rapidly. Students are more connected than ever before. Some text, email, Twitter, Facebook and the list goes on. Within matters of seconds we can be connected with others across the world. Monday night for example, as my mother celebrated her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday, I had the pleasure to surprise her by having mom FaceTime her aunt from a nursing home in Ontario. The joy that brought her was more important than any gift I could have given her. Unfortunately, problems arise when this technology is used to **abuse others** or **push peers out** of their social network. Prevention of cyber bullying will be at the forefront this year with various education opportunities. Our first session is scheduled with Constable Marnie Minkus from the Winnipeg Police Service Communications Relations Unit, who will be speaking with our students in grades 3, 4 and 5 about **Online Safety** on Nov 6 at 10:30am.

Our **Term 1 Report Card** for our students in **K - Grade 8**, will be sent home **Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**. Included you will find a letter explaining our new format of the Report Card. Independent schools are not mandated to implement the standardized Provincial Report Card. The Report Card formally documents and communicates a student's summative achievement to parents. Each student's academic achievement is communicated separately from his or her learning behaviours. Our Education Committee (Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Piper, Mrs. Pawluk, Mr. Kalichak, Mrs. Render and myself) spent many hours last year designing our new Reports. This is our pilot year and feedback is welcome from all our stakeholders. **On Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>, Tri-Conferences will be held from 2:15 – 7:00pm and Nov 24<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 5:00pm.** We look forward to seeing you all.

There are many opportunities for parents to join us during school events. If you can spare a few minutes, please join us for a short Remembrance Day Service, on November 10 at 9:00am in the school gym before you head off to work and if you can also join us for mass on November 22 at 10:00am. Archbishop Albert LeGatt will be the presiding and visiting our school.

Thanks to our hard work and committed teaching faculty, students were enriched with a variety of outside-of-the-classroom learning opportunities such as Terry Fox Walk, four volleyball teams, MTYP plays, a visit to the Scandinavian Centre, WE day, Mad Science, Choir clubs and new this year a grade 6-8 school dance.

Last but not least thank you to our parents who give so generously of their time through Parent Council and School Board events/activities. In particular, thanks to Ms. Karen-Denise Cyr for organizing our Family Fun Day last month, Mrs. Denise Flint for leading our first fundraiser of the year of Show and Save Books and Mrs. Bestvater and her team for coordinating our Fun Lunch program. Thank you to Mrs. Darilyn Derco & Ms. Jesslin Cecon for organizing Fundscrip, our second fundraiser of the year.

I am very proud of all our students and their accomplishments, both big and small. I am looking forward to a great school year.

Wishing you God's blessings,  
Mrs. Laura Carreiro, Principal



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## MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD

### BOARD RECRUITMENT

The fall is such a busy time for parents and kids getting into their routines. We are all starting hockey, Scouts, Brownies, music lessons and getting our school routines in order.

As you get more comfortable in those routines we'd like to invite you to think about volunteering on our Board. The Board sets policy for the school, sets tuition, decides how resources should be spent and makes decisions on capital improvements.

Over the years, many current and past Board members have said their experience on the Board of Directors has brought a great deal of satisfaction and reward. Board members actively participate in guiding the direction and success of the school, which is an ongoing and a very collaborative process.

We are nine parents on the Board with kids in nearly every grade. The Board wants to ensure we remain representative across all grades and perspectives so we'd love to have parents with a perspective that you feel should be at our table.

There isn't a particular skill set that we need, there is no profession that is required. We are interested in engaged, thoughtful parents who want to make a difference.

Please consider giving me a shout at [boardchairman@ctkschool.ca](mailto:boardchairman@ctkschool.ca) if you're interested.

Michael Desautels, Chairman



### FAMILY FUN DAY.....



## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)



September has come and gone and PAC has certainly gotten into full swing with a number of different activities!

Family Fun Day was held on September 28 and judging by the many smiling faces on the kids, a fun time was had by all. A special thank you to Karen-Denise Cyr who led the planning and organization and to all the parents and volunteers who made this event possible.



### **SHOW & SAVE** **DISCOUNT CARD & COUPON BOOK**

Our first fundraiser of the year – Show and Save – is wrapped up now and all 400 books were sold. Thank you to Denise Flint for coordinating yet another successful fundraiser. We raised \$4000.00.

The next fundraiser is already underway with Fundscrip. Help raise money for the school by purchasing large denomination gift cards at face value from popular retailers you already shop at on a regular basis. In turn, Christ the King School earns a percentage from each gift card purchased. Monies raised will be put towards the playground redevelopment fund. Forms are due back on October 27 and cards will be available for pickup at the November Parent/Teachers/Student conferences – just in time for Christmas! Please contact our coordinators, Jesslin Cecon ([jesslin.cecon@shaw.ca](mailto:jesslin.cecon@shaw.ca)) or Darilyn Derco ([thedercos@gmail.com](mailto:thedercos@gmail.com)) with any questions or if more forms are needed.



We have already had our first fun lunch and hot dog days and these will continue throughout the year. Keep an eye out for those order reminders so that your child doesn't miss out on a special lunch each month. We encourage parents to volunteer for these or other activities throughout the year if they are able to at [https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/l/web-terminal/login/CTK\\_Bingo?killSession=1](https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/l/web-terminal/login/CTK_Bingo?killSession=1)



PAC is in immediate need of a Vice Chair to help support the Chair and the PAC Executive. If you are looking to get more involved with the school, please consider joining the PAC team. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact **Kevin Sim, PAC Chair**, at [kevinsim@shaw.ca](mailto:kevinsim@shaw.ca) or (204) 996-7451.

Finally, a reminder that PAC has a Facebook page. If you would like to be a member of this Closed Group, please email [kevinsim@shaw.ca](mailto:kevinsim@shaw.ca). Membership is open to CTK parents/Guardians, teachers, and school staff. Being a member of this group does not mean that other members will have access to your personal Facebook page, they will only have access to what is posted on the PAC Facebook page. This FB page is for school-related information and activities and not intended for individual business purposes and/or advertising.

## SCHOOL MILK PROGRAM



Our school is part of the School Milk Program. Dairy Farmers of Manitoba supply us with incentive prizes in September to encourage our students to drink milk. Milk tickets are entered into random draws for monthly prizes. Draws are held every month of the school year.

Chocolate or white milk is available at lunch time. Milk tickets can be purchased from the office.

Let's make this year moo-velous!



### JK AND K LUNCH TIME AT CTK



## NOVEMBER 2017 FOOD DONATIONS



For the month of November, we are collecting canned goods and dried goods for Christ the King Parish Christmas hampers. Thank you for your generosity!

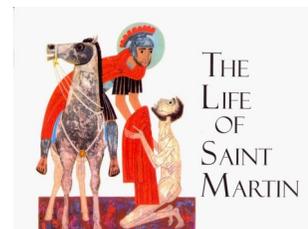


## OCTOBER/NOVEMBER HOUSE VIRTUE PROGRAM



During this year, our school will be learning about different saints and the qualities that made them special in the eyes of those around them. We will be gathering in House Teams this year to learn as a community about these saints and what they can teach us. For October, we learned about St. Francis of Assisi. He was devoted to God and expressed himself through his love of all God's creation. He showed compassion and respect for animals and the environment. He was a steward of creation.

In November, our students will be learning about St. Martin of Tours. He is best known for the account of his using his military sword to cut his cloak in two, to give half to a beggar clad only in rags in the depth of winter. Legend has it that clouds dispersed, the sun came out, and Jesus said to the angels, "Here is Martin, the Roman soldier who is not baptized; he has clothed me." We celebrate his feast day on November 11th.



## INSERVICE DAY CARE



Taking a break on the play structure

This year, parents had the opportunity to place their child(ren) in the Pre-Registered Inservice Day Care. The 10-day program runs on the Inservice days throughout the school year—hours are 8:00am to 5:30pm with our own Mrs. William running the program. Individual days are also available. If interested, please complete the registration form found on the school website and submit with payment 5 days prior to the individual day you need care for your child(ren).



Out and about while the weather is nice.



Roots of Empathy  
Racines de l'empathie

## ROOTS OF EMPATHY

October 25, 2017— Juliano came to visit us for the first time today! We sang our “Hello” song to him. Mrs. Dhillon sat on the blanket with him and we shared our predictions about Juliano.

Mrs. Dhillon told us about all the things that Juliano can do. He cries if he is hungry and tired and he can smile. We weighed and measured Juliano and he is 5.5 kg and 54 cm long! We did some leg and arm exercises with Juliano while singing some songs. We sang our “Good Bye” song to Juliano. See you next month, Juliano!

Mrs. Piper, Resource Teacher  
Roots of Empathy Instructor



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## FROM THE STUDENT COUNCIL



Hello parents,

We are very excited to be the Teacher Advisors of the Christ the King School Student Council this year. We have a very hard-working and dedicated group who are very enthusiastic about the multiple activities, charities, and fundraisers that they will be organizing.

Our first major event was the school dance for grades 6-8 on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

There were 175 students in attendance from the multiple Christian schools throughout the city.

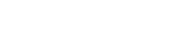
We would like to extend our great thanks to the Student Council co-presidents, all the staff and parents who volunteered for the evening.

We're looking forward to a great year with this group and you'll all be hearing from us very soon regarding upcoming events, fundraisers, and charity drives.

Our student council is (bottom to top): Jaden (Grade 4), Addison (Grade 5), Marissa (Grade 6, Secretary), Diya (Grade 7), Luca (Grade 8, Treasurer), James (Grade 8, Co-president), Jonah (Grade 8, Co-president)

Mr. Dominic Gawron and Ms. Agnus-Mariae Lucas (Teacher Advisors)

# HALLOWEEN DANCE



## ALL SAINTS FAIR



The Grade 5 class will be hosting the All Saints Fair for the Kindergarten to Grade 5 classes on Wednesday, November 1st. The activities will take place in the gym. In order to have enough prizes for all students that participate, we are asking for donations from the families at Christ the King School. Prizes can include things like small bags of chips, packaged candy/chocolate (peanut & tree nut free) or small toys for boys and girls. All donations can be brought to the Grade 5 classroom.

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## CHRISTMAS CONCERT NEWS



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## GRADE 6 CAMP ANGEL ORNAMENT FUNDRAISER



Grade 6 students will be selling Mary's Angels for \$5.00 each starting the week of November 13th at recess times. The funds go towards the Grade 6 Camp as well as the Marian Hour Radio Rosary on CKJS. Thank you for your support.

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Welcome to another school year filled with activity and fun!

In September our students and staff participated in the Terry Fox Walk. Thank you to all of our volunteers and for all your generous donations. This year we raised \$1341.31.

It is very busy in the RoyalDome with league volleyball running at a rampant pace. CTK has four teams involved in MCSAA action, two developmental teams and two competitive league teams.

The program would not be a success without the work of our many parent volunteers. A HUGE thank you goes out to:



-Mr. W. Gordon, Mr. D. Harrington, and Mr. C. Torres for coaching the Competitive Boys.  
-Mr. S. Koskie for coaching the Developmental Girls  
-Mr. T. Romeo for coaching the Developmental Boys  
-Mr. R. Sawatzky for co-coaching with me the Competitive Girls

The Developmental boys and girls are entirely grade 6 students, competing in a division that has grade 7 and 8 students playing as well, and I must say our students are doing very well. Kudos to them!

Our Competitive Boys are undefeated after three matches in league play, and the girls have a 2-win, and one loss record in their division.

League play continues until the third weekend of November.

In other news, CONGRATULATIONS goes out to Jaden, Jade, Talia and William from grade four who participated in a league cross country meet at Crescent Park in early October running a 2.5 km course.

In Physical Education classes, the JK-3 students are continuing to develop their skills and abilities in the three basic skills of movement: balance, manipulation (throwing, catching, kicking, dribbling, etc.), and transport (running, jumping, hopping, skipping, etc.). In addition, the grade 2 and 3 class are learning the skills of volleyball through adapted type activities.

The grades 4-6 classes go more in depth with the basic movement skills, as well as learning and gaining confidence in their abilities in modified volleyball drills and games.

The grades 7 and 8 classes will be finishing their volleyball unit in mid-November.

I am in search of volunteer parents (or former students) to help coach what I predict will be 4 basketball teams. Please send me an email at [dkalcihak@ctkschool.ca](mailto:dkalcihak@ctkschool.ca). if you would like to help coach. We will start practices in December .

Mr. Kalichak, Physical Education Director



## PICK-UP & DROP-OFF — ABSENT/LATE

### Drive through drop-off and pick-up is not permitted in the parking lot.

The parking lot is a hectic place before and after school. For the safety of all students and visitors at Christ the King School we have two options for getting your child into the schoolyard **safely**.



**Park and Walk** – Parents/Guardians are welcome to park in the designated spot in the parking lot next to the school yard. Students can then exit the parked vehicle and walk (or be accompanied) through the parking lot to the school yard.

**Quick Drop** – Parents/Guardians can stop along Fernwood Avenue to drop students off. Children can enter the school yard through the gate on Fernwood Avenue near the school bus loading area. \*Please avoid blocking the designated school bus stop. In consideration of our neighbours in the community, please avoid using private drive-ways to turn your vehicle around.

**Absent/Late** — Following the policies of the Parent Handbook, it is the parents' responsibility to call the office (204) 257-0027 or email [office@ctkschool.ca](mailto:office@ctkschool.ca) (cc. your child's teacher) if your child will be absent or late. If we do not hear from you, it is our responsibility to contact you to be sure your child is safely with you or a guardian and the reason they are late or absent.

**THANK YOU FOR KEEPING OUR STUDENTS SAFE!**



### NOVEMBER EVENTS

- \* All Saints Fair—Nov. 1
- \* Immunization Gr. 6 & 8—Nov. 1
- \* Picture Retakes & JK Photos—Nov. 2
- \* Report Card Writing NO CLASSES—Nov. 3
- \* Report Cards Distributed—Nov. 13
- \* Fun Lunch (Wendy's) order deadline—Nov. 15
- \* PAC Meeting—Nov. 16
- \* School Mass with Archbishop Albert LeGatt—Nov. 22
- \* Parent Teacher Conferences—Nov. 23 (early dismissal 1:55pm) & Nov. 24 (No CLASSES)
- \* Fun Lunch (Wendy's) —Nov. 23
- \* Feast of Christ the King—Nov. 26

Sunday, November 5th



# November