

CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians:

January has been a busy month with active participation and community building as students enrolled in a variety of programs from Chess and Lego clubs to Intramurals and basketball teams, just to name a few. Thank you to our staff for their time and commitment providing our students with life-long learning experiences and to all parents for your incredible support.



An event filled calendar for the month of February has been sent home. As part of our I Love to Read Month (full details on page 3), Mrs. Mots is organizing an amazing **Book Fair on Feb 8 and 9**. Please consider volunteering a couple of hours between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm (jmots@ctkschool.ca). Encourage your kids and friends to come support our library program. Proceeds go towards buying popular books for your children to read for a lifetime.

From Feb. 13-17th we will be celebrating Catholic Schools' Week. This year's theme is "**Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service**". Did you know that the existence of Catholic Schools in Canada can be retraced to the year 1620? Please check out <https://www.mbcatholicschools.ca/> for more information about Catholic Schools in Manitoba.

This year, the **in-school Science Fair** is taking place on Feb 22 followed by our **Winter Band Concert** the next day at 7:00 pm. Did I say it was a busy month? As important stakeholders of this institution we hope to see you at all these important academic milestones of our middle year students.

Plans are under way for the 2017/2018 school year. **Re-registration forms are due back by Feb. 15**. When ordering uniforms for September please make sure to purchase uniform items as stated in the parent handbook posted on our school website. For those planning ahead for the fall, the school will re-open for staff on Sept 5, with classes starting on Sept 6, 2017.

As we practice this month's virtue of "Love" let's continue to encourage our students to be kind and patient with one another. Mrs. Laura Carreiro, Principal

The banner features a photograph of two young girls in school uniforms reading a book together. The book is titled "The Wild Christmas Reindeer" by JAS BRETT. The banner includes the school logo and the following text:

CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

FEBRUARY 2 • 7 PM
MARCH 9 • 7 PM

Junior Kindergarten - Grade 8
Private Bus Service
Before and After Care

WWW.CTKSCHOOL.CA

MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD

Even though we're in the thick of winter, planning is well underway for the upcoming school year. Registration is in full swing. You may have noticed posters, signage, ads and digital billboards popping up as we spread the word about Christ the King School.

Two public open houses are planned this year (February 2nd & March 9th), giving families a second opportunity to check out our school and consider CTK for their child's education. Word of mouth is also a very powerful tool - we encourage you to let others around you know about CTK as they navigate the various school options.

Various benefits of our school are highlighted on our website – which has undergone a transformation. The address remains the same: ctkschool.ca but the overall look is brand new.

As we focus on enhancing communication as part of our strategic plan, we hope the new site will be more user-friendly and more visually appealing. This is still a work-in-progress. Our priority was the redesigning the home page, creating a new 'application' link, updating the testimonials and a few other pages. You'll notice the addition of 6 key features of CTK School – like our private bus service, flexible before and after school care, Kindergarten Enrichment and more.

The Board has also taken major steps to improve the network infrastructure. The project is quite extensive but the substantial investment is an exciting one as it will result in a better experience for students and teachers as the school continues to integrate technology in everyday learning.

As always, we welcome your input and suggestions. Feel free to reach out to the Board at any time. Emails can be sent to boardchairman@ctkschool.ca

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

PAC Hot Dog Day will be on *February 10* and Fun Lunch Day will be on *February 24*. If you would like to volunteer at hot dog day or fun lunch day, please sign up on the Volunteer Portal:

https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/l/web-terminal/login/CTK_Bingo?killSession=1

The next PAC meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 15**, in the Grade 8 Classroom from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm. All parents, guardians, and staff are invited to attend. The focus of the meeting will be on the Playground Redevelopment Project, all ideas are welcome!

The annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Brunch for the students will be held on - *February 28, 2017*. Volunteers are needed. If you would like to volunteer to help cook the breakfast, serve the food, etc., please sign up on the Volunteer Portal. Ms. Jill Perron will be coordinating this event.

Huge Thank You to Mrs. Ann Desautels and Ms. Sheila Bazilewich for coordinating the wine raffle, and congratulations to all of the lucky raffle prize winners!

PAC has a **Facebook Page**, if you would like to be a member of this Closed Group, please email Lisa Albensi at albensi6@gmail.com.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Our Scholastic Book Fair will take place on **Wednesday, February 8** and **Thursday, February 9 from 3:00-6:00 p.m.** in the school gym.

You will find many quality books at the fair with lots of options for all reading levels. Your children will have brought home a letter and a brochure with just a few of the hundreds of books offered at the fair.

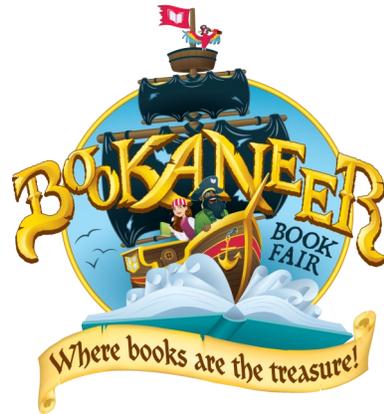
You can also go to the Scholastic website www.scholastic.ca/bookfairs to get more information and watch the book trailers and author videos on the Book Tube Page.

By supporting this important literary event, you are helping to fill the library with new books and promoting reading to your children.

For a successful Book Fair our goal is to sell **\$3000 dollars** in product which would give us a **60% return** of new book for the CTK library!!! So if you were planning on buying books for any occasion now is the perfect time. Books are always a great gift!

Thank you in advance for your support and I look forward to seeing you on February 8th and 9th

Mrs. Mots, Book Fair Chairperson



I LOVE TO READ MONTH

We kicked off our month, with students wearing their **crazy socks on Wednesday, February 1st** for Sock It To Me With a Good Book Day! Students decorated a silly sock bookmark to use during the month to show how CRAZY they are about books!

Other events during the month will include:

Boston Pizza reading program (Grades K-8)

Reading logs will be sent home and any student who reads (or is read to) for 20 minutes each day for 20 days in February will receive a coupon for a **free Kids Meal from Boston Pizza**. Completed logs need to be submitted to their classroom teacher by March 1st to receive a coupon.

Book Donations

The school community is asked to donate any gently used children's books to the Children's Hospital. All donations can be brought to the grade 3 classroom.

Fun activities

There will be **guest readers** coming to read to students during the month, genre posters are up to highlight wonderful literature and students can try guessing teacher favourite's for the "**Mystery Staff Picks**".



Happy Reading!

SCIENCE FAIR

The CTK School Science Fair will take place on **Wednesday, February 22**. Grade 6 to 8 students will be participating in this event, and on that morning will be judged by individuals with science backgrounds. Winners will be announced at the end of the school day around 2:55 and an awards ceremony will take place at that time. In the afternoon, students from other classes as well as parents and friends are welcome to view the projects from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Students will take down projects at 3:00 pm and projects will be sent home at the end of that day.

This year, Dr. Anju Bajaj at Holy Cross School has organized a Regional Science Fair for all the Catholic elementary schools. At this fair, students from Grade 7 and 8 will have the opportunity to compete for a spot at the Canada Wide Science Fair this spring. Our students in Grades 6, 7 and 8 that win Gold at our school fair will have their registration costs covered to attend both the Regional Fair at Holy Cross on April 12 and the MSSS later in April (date TBA). If other students in Grade 6, 7 and 8 are interested in going to these fairs, they would have to cover the cost of registration.



Hope everyone can come out and support our students in this event! They have been working very hard on their experiments. See you on February 22!

Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Villa

ROOTS OF EMPATHY

Theme #4 – EMOTIONS

Baby Leah – 5 months old

What we learned in January:

- *Emotions are feelings we all have.
- *There are four core emotions: happiness; sadness; anger and fear.
- *Parents respond to babies' emotional cues in order to meet their needs and make them feel understood.
- *By recognizing and naming the baby's emotional cues, students will become more self-aware and learn to recognize emotional cues in others.
- *Bullying may occur in many forms such as name calling, teasing and put-downs. These behaviors are hurtful and unacceptable.
- *The more aware we are of our emotions, the better we will be able to read other people's emotions and understand them.

Mrs. Pawluk
Roots of Empathy Instructor



Roots of Empathy

Racines de l'empathie

FEBRUARY VIRTUE OF MONTH

LOVE

Consider these teachings:

Let your actions be guided by the idea that
God says we should love one another as He has loved us.

Jesus said we should love our enemy.

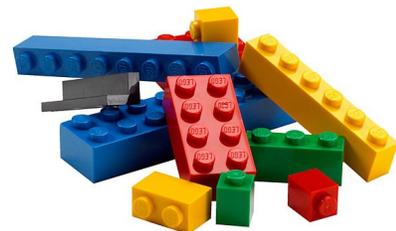
The Bible says that love is always patient and kind.

Love your neighbour as yourself.



LEGO CLUB

The Lego Club Has Been Busy Making Wonderful Creations on Thursday Mornings!



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK FEBRUARY 13-17,

CTK will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week with a Variety of Activities

Monday, Feb. 13—Country/Western Day

- wear jeans, plaid shirt, cowboy boots, cowboy hat, suspenders, etc..
- early dismissal (1:55 p.m.)

Tuesday, Feb. 14—Valentine's Day

- wear pink, red, white, purple.

Wednesday, Feb. 15—Uniform Day

- Mass at 10 a.m.

Thursday, Feb. 16—Multicultural Day

- wear clothing that represents your ethnic background, or clothing with words that represent a country

Friday, Feb. 17—Catholic Schools Day In-service

- No school



CHESS CLUB

The CTK chess club has just wrapped up for this year! Students met Tuesday mornings to learn the game of Chess and challenge their fellow students to a game or two. Big thank you to Mrs. Grantham and Ms. Resendes for sharing their knowledge and love of chess with our students.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

The CTK “Royal Dome” has been super busy with physical education classes (of course), extra -curricular basketball, as well as intramurals at lunch for the grades Kindergarten to 6 students.

Big thank you to Mrs. Malo and Mrs. Edwards for running the K-3 intramural program in January. The students played a variety of games, including indoor soccer and floor hockey. Grades 4-6 intramurals will continue till mid April. The students have been playing indoor soccer as Mr. Kalichak is looking for that future FIFA standout...

Physical education classes have been focusing on Low Organized Games for the K-3 students, as I have been constantly assessing each student for a variety of skills. The primary focus is on improvement. The grades 4-8 students have been working on basketball.

In February the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship will be run. The top 2 girls and boys (each grade) from grades 4-8 will advance to competitions at St Emile (late February), and Holy Cross (in early March). If your child advances to the next level, I will send out dates and instructions on what needs to be done. The top 3 girls and boys from each grade will receive gold, silver or bronze medallions from the Knights of Columbus at the School Level (which is run during PE classes) in early February.

The following is the Royals Basketball MCSAA game schedules. All games start at 4:00 (home and away). For away games it is the student-athlete’s responsibility to get to and from games. Unless notified, students should not be leaving school until 3:20. It is also the student-athletes responsibility to ensure they have their jersey and shorts the day of the game (as well as a water bottle to keep hydrated)!

Mr. Kalichak
Physical Education Director



BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Competitive Boys

January 30th LCS at CTK
February 6th at Holy Ghost
February 13th at St Maurice
February 22nd at St Charles
February 27th St Alphonsus at CTK
March 1st at St Gerard
March 6th St Ignatius at CTK
March 8th IHMS at CTK
League Playoffs March 13th -18th

Developmental Boys

February 7th at St Gerard
February 16th St Gerard at CTK
February 22nd Westgate at CTK
February 15th St Alphonsus at CTK
February 28th at OLV
March 1st Holy Ghost at CTK

Developmental Girls

February 2nd at St Maurice
February 6th LCS at CTK
February 13th St Ignatius at CTK
February 21st at Balmoral Hall
March 2nd St Emile at CTK
March 7th at St Charles

Season ending tournaments for Developmental Boys and Girls March 10th and/or 11th.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS CONTEST



Congratulations to All the Winners from our school!

Kindergarten: Alexandria, Aaron, and Georgia

Grade One: Mya, Bolton, and Therese

Grade Two: Gabrielle, Adrianna, Ana

Grade Three/Four: Jakob, Adriana, Laura, and Declan

Grade Six: Gabriella and Diya

CTK SCHOOL UNIFORM

Just a reminder that it is important for all students to wear our CTK uniform with pride. The uniform consists of the following garments for all students in Grade K to 8. All items are to be purchased through www.topmarks.ca Ordering code for CTK is CHR01

- ◆ Navy pants
- ◆ Navy walking shorts
- ◆ White or burgundy CTK crested shirt (long or short sleeves are available)
- ◆ Burgundy hoodie or sweatshirt with the school logo
- ◆ Navy skorts or navy tunics with navy or black tights or socks for girls.
- ◆ Dark socks for boys



Please do not wear colored long sleeve shirts under polo shirts and please no patterned tights or leggings of any kind should be worn. Complete uniform outline can be found on our website. We are counting on all parents to make sure our students are following the uniform code.

A FEW FINAL NOTES.....

A BIG thank you to everyone who supported our virtue of Charity in December. As a school community we donated 275 pairs of socks and 27 kg of pancake mix to Siloam mission!

We are continuing to do battery recycling within our school. When dropping off batteries please place them in the plastic bags attached to the box to prevent leakage.

Please do your best to keep our parking lot safe for our students and running smoothly at pick up and drop off times. Spots along the fence are reserved from 7am to 4pm and please do not park in the bus drop off zone. Your cooperation is appreciated.