



CTK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER, 2013

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I want to say a huge thank you to all the parents who worked so hard on the Family Fun Day. Students were all quite excited and couldn't wait for the school day to end so they could get to the activities. Everybody had a great time. Thank you to the organizers, Mrs. Stokes, Mrs. Sabourin and Mrs. Gordon and thank you to Mrs. Guttormson and Mrs. Sabourin for helping to clean up and to all the parents who supervised activities. Thank you as well to our junior high students who volunteered so the younger children could have a great time. It was fabulous, an activity well worth having. Thank you.

On September 20th, Fr. Renato led the staff in an enriching and educational retreat. The personal time with our Pastor was especially helpful in allowing us to reflect on our roles as a Catholic School staff.

You will find included in this newsletter our new Bed Bug Policy as recommended by the Province. You will notice that the school will no longer be accepting used uniforms for resale.

I would like to commend all the students who let their names stand for the Student Council Election. You all did an excellent job of your speeches, and we were very proud of you. The new Student Council will begin their work soon.

School is well under way; this month there will be student/teacher/parent conferences. The volleyball teams have been selected and are getting prepared for their upcoming season. The AGM is October 30th, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lennox Hall. I hope to see you all there.

I wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Enns
Principal

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Thank you to all students who participated in the elections for this year. You all did a tremendous job on your speeches, as well as your posters.

After voting, we are pleased to announce that our team will include: Jordyn and Rachel as Co-Presidents, Ben as Treasurer, Jessica as Secretary, Cassidy as Grade 5 Representative and Hannah as Grade 4 Representative. We

look forward to working with this team, and turning your ideas, Grades 4-8, into a reality.

The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 2nd in Mrs. Grantham's classroom at 11:50 am.

Thank you,
Ms. Battaglia and Mrs. Grantham



MESSAGE FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

With the change of season being so evident with leaves on the trees changing from greens to beautiful shades of yellows, oranges and reds, many school activities are starting up. Thank you to the volunteers from the PAC who hosted a fantastic Family Fun Day on September 19th.

Everyone is invited to the CTK Children's Mass on October 6th at 11:00 am. The children will be actively involved in the liturgy that day as well as the CTK Board of Directors will receive the "Commissioning Blessing".

Also, October 30th the Annual General Meeting will be held. Please see the attached poster. Enjoy the autumn blessings and Happy Thanksgiving to all"

Thank you,
The Board of Directors

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Volleyball practices are well under way. CTK will be having 4 teams in the Manitoba Catholic Schools Athletic Association (MCSAA) this season. Good luck to all of the teams, I am sure the Royal spirit and name will be well represented by all student athletes.

Grade 8 Boys Competitive Schedule

Mon., October 7 th	at St Maurice
Wed., October 16 th	St Emile at CTK
Mon., October 21 st	at SJB
Mon., October 28 th	Westgate at CTK
Mon., November 4 th	HGS at CTK
Wed., November 6 th	St Gerard at CTK
Wed., November 13 th	at IHMS
Wed., November 20 th	at LCS
Sat., November 2 nd	ST PAULS SPORT Tournament

Grade 7 Boys Developmental Schedule

Tues., October 1	at Linden Christian
Thurs., October 10	IHMS at CTK
Wed., October 16	St Charles at CTK
Thurs., October 24	SJB at CTK
Tues., October 29	at St Maurice
Tues., November 5	at St Alphonsus

Season	Ending	Tournament
November 22 and/or 23 rd		

Team White (7/8 Developmental) Girls Schedule

Thurs., October 1 st	LCS at CTK
Tues., October 8 th	at IHMS
Wed., October 16 th	at St Charles
Thurs., October 24 th	at St Gerard

Thurs., November 7th St Alphonsus at CTK

Thurs., November 14th St Maurice at CTK

Season ending tournament November 22 and/or 23rd

Team Royals (7/8 Competitive) Girls Schedule

Wed., October 2nd St Alphonsus at CTK

Wed., October 9th Westgate at CTK

Wed., October 16th CTK at Holy Ghost

Sat., October 19th Girls at St Alphonsus Invitational Tournament

Mon., October 21st CTK at Balmoral Hall

Wed., October 23rd St Maurice at CTK

Mon., October 28th CTK at Holy Cross

Wed., October 30th LCS at CTK

Wed., November 20th CTK at Immaculate Heart of Mary

Playoffs for both Competitive Teams the week of November 25th-30th.

Schedules and game dates are subject to change. Please check the league website, www.mcsaa.ca, click under Volleyball, click under schedules for any updates and changes.

Thank you to all the parent volunteer coaches: Mr. Koskie for grade 7 boys, Mr. and Mrs. Maidment for Team Royals girls, Mr. Bialkowski for grade 8 boys. I am still seeking a parent volunteer coach for Team White developmental girls. Please send me an email or contact me at school, at dkalichak@ctkschool.ca

It is the responsibility of the student athlete to arrange for proper transportation to and from games away from CTK, as well as picking up from

home games. Games usually end around 5:00. Please be on time.

Have a great October.

Mr. Kalichak

Physical Education Specialist



PARENT'S CORNER

We will no longer be collecting used uniforms for future sales due to the New Bed Bug Policy.

If you would like to donate your **Canadian Tire money** to the School, we will gratefully accept it. In the past we were able to purchase classroom supplies and playground equipment. Thank you for your support and continued generosity.

I am pleased to let you know that **Ms. Kaiser** has been asked by the province to be on the "Teacher Committee": Curriculum, Tests and Assessment Support Material Development. This request is a true compliment to her teaching.

CONCERNS?

At one time or another, we have all experienced a misunderstanding with someone. Did she say this? What did he mean by that? What happened?

While we all have ways of handling a concern such as this with our families,

our children or our employers, how should you handle a misunderstanding with your son's or daughter's school?

Communications is the key!

First, contact the school and request to speak to the teacher involved. If you call when the teacher is in class, the school secretary will take a message and the teacher will call you back as soon as possible. Be sure to leave the phone numbers where you can be reached during the day as well as in the evening. Explain your concern to the teacher. Try to remain calm and collected, as most issues can be resolved with greater ease if both parties remain cool-headed and polite.

Be sure when stating your concern to focus on the issue. Phrases such as, "I heard that this was said" or "I understand that this happened" or "Could you tell me about what happened?" are good ways to start the dialogue.

Many misunderstandings can be worked out by talking with the teacher.

However, if by chance the matter is still not resolved to your satisfaction, you should tell the teacher you will contact the school administration and then contact the school Principal.

The Principal in conjunction with the teacher or other staff member will work towards resolving your concern. This may be done through a phone call or a meeting at the school.

Should the matter still be unresolved at this point, you may contact the Chair of the School Board.

On the other hand, if teachers and /or other staff members have done something, which you applaud, why not phone them, write them a note, or even send a letter to the Principal. Teachers can also be contacted by email. Any emails received after 3:30 pm will be returned on the next school day.

BED BUG POLICY

As suggested by the Provincial Government Bed Bug Strategy, CTK has developed a Bed Bug Policy.

Bed bugs are flat, brown insects, about the size of an apple seed. They feed on human blood and usually bite people at night while they are sleeping. Bites appear as red bumps, usually several in a row, or rashes. They are very itchy and usually occur around the face, neck, upper body, arms and hands.

Bed bugs can be picked up from classmates, vehicles or many other items. They can be brought in by staff, students or visitors.

"Due to a sharp increase in bed bug infestations in Winnipeg, blankets, stuffed animals, unnecessary personal items, or unnecessary extra clothing, will not be allowed in the school. In view of the increase of bed bugs we have suspended the collection of used uniforms. If bed bugs are found in a home, contact the administration immediately so appropriate action can be taken in accordance with the Bed Bug Guide for Schools provided by the Manitoba Government.

Staff is required to report suspected incidents of bed bug bites or sightings to the administration. If bed bugs are found in the school appropriate action will be taken in accordance with the Bed Bug guide for Schools provided by the Manitoba Government.”

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

For further information contact:

The Manitoba Government Bed Bug Hotline

Phone: 1-855-362-2847

E-mail: bedbugs@gov.mb.ca

Website:

www.manitoba.ca/bedbugs

Online Resources

Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA)

www.wrha.mb.ca/healthinfo/az/files/BedBugs.pdf

ART CORNER

Art Corner kick off is on October 3rd at last recess for Grades 1-3. If your child is interested in attending this class there is a supply fee of \$5.00 payable to CTK School. Please hand payment in to office or homeroom teacher by Wednesday, October 2nd. Miss Ventura and Miss P are looking forward to this fun opportunity to work with your little aspiring artists. Stayed tuned for our crazy art displays...





**You're Invited to
Christ the King School
Where
"Our Past is Our Future"**
Celebrating our Faith and History



Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, October 30, 2013

7:00 pm

In the Lennox Hall

Coffee and Dainties will be served

The AGM is open to all members of our CTK School and Parish.
It is a great opportunity to ask questions, voice your concerns, and
learn about the Board of Directors and
how you can become involved in the CTK community activities.

"Volunteers Do Not Necessarily Have the Time; They Have the Heart"- Elizabeth Andrew

We encourage you to attend and are looking forward to seeing you!
Child care will be made available in the Gymnasium for those parents needing it.