

# CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL

## SPRING 2019



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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear parents/guardians:

I hope you are enjoying the arrival of our warm Spring weather! This Spring newsletter highlights many of the events that took place during our winter months and provides a quick synopsis of some things to come during the last term of school.

Christ the King School started a new initiative a 'Learn to Skate Program' in grades 2 and 3 as part of our Physical Education Program, covering all five curriculum outcomes. Students were taught by qualified Can-Skate instructors during the program at Southdale Community Centre. This program was partially sponsored by the school and with a small fee charged per student. Feedback received from parents and students has been very positive, encouraging the school to continue the program.

I would like to congratulate all our students for their excellent Science Fair Projects! All students are encouraged to enter their project in the Bison Regional Science Fair (Catholic Schools) and at the Manitoba Schools Science Symposium (MSS). Please refer to page 6 for more information. Special thanks to Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Bernardin for coordinating and preparing our students for the Science Fair.

Over the past few months, Christ the King school has offered many extra activities to our students ('I love to read program', Band Concert, Ski trip, Basketball, Book Fair, Lego, Chess & Homework clubs to name just a few). None of this would be possible, without the leadership, commitment and hard work of our staff and of the many volunteer parents & grandparents who helped out. My sincere thanks for all your contributions – small and big!

Plans are underway for the new school year. Our current students have completed their re-registration for next year. We wish all the best to two of our families who are moving in the near future to India and Orange County in the Los Angeles area in the US. We have received over 60 new student applications for 2019-2020. Thank you to all those parents who have referred them to our school. Unfortunately, some applications are on a wait list due to limited space in certain grades.

Looking ahead, please mark your calendar for our biggest fundraising event of the year – 'Hop, skip and Jump-a-thon' taking place on May 24<sup>th</sup>, please contact our PAC chair, Mr. Kevin Sim if you can help out.

In keeping with our Lenten season, students in grades 2-8 will participate in a Penitential Liturgy of the Word Prayer Service on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. On April 11<sup>th</sup>, we will be having our school mass at 9:15am and parents and other family members are encouraged to attend. Every Friday night at 7:00 pm, Stations of the Cross take place at the parish. Please refer to the last page of this newsletter for the Triduum & Easter schedule at Christ the King Parish.

Wishing everyone a restful break and a blessed Lent!

Sincerely,

Laura Carreiro  
Principal





## PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC)

After a VERY long winter, Spring is finally here! This time usually marks the start of a busy time for PAC with many activities to plan from now until the end of the school year.



On February 17, almost 130 students, staff, family and friends attended a Manitoba Moose game on Louis Riel Day weekend as part of the Catholic Schools Fellowship program. Those who participated in the event were treated to discount tickets and an exciting game. It was great to see so many familiar faces representing our school on the big screen during the timeouts! Participating students were entered into a raffle for Winnipeg Jets merchandise. Congratulations to James W. in Kindergarten who won a pair of Jets tickets to watch a game earlier in February; Kate and Ann F. in Grade 3 & 6 who won a signed Josh Morrissey Jets jersey; and Sienna A. in Gr. 4 who won a signed Josh Morrissey Jets puck.



On March 5, PAC hosted the popular annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Lunch for staff, students and guests. All who attended enjoyed the delicious lunch of pancakes, sausages and fruit. Many thanks to Denise Flint who took on the duties this year to lead the planning and coordination of the event. Also, a special thank you to the CTK Parish Knights of Columbus for volunteering their time and service to help with the event.



Mark May 24 on your calendars for the second Hop, Skip & Jump-A-Thon! We heard the kids enjoyed the event so much last year, we decided to do it again! Planning is already underway for our largest fundraiser of the year and the winners of our slogan contest will be announced soon. We need several parent volunteers to take on lead roles for different aspects of the event – prizes, donations, pledge counting etc. Please contact Kevin Sim ([kevinsim@shaw.ca](mailto:kevinsim@shaw.ca)) if you can lend a hand.

Speaking of volunteers, our Parent Advisory Council cannot carry out its activities without the support of you parents and grandparents who take time out of your busy schedules to volunteer at the school. Thank you so much to everyone who has lent a hand in one way or other so far this year! Without you, our programs would not be successful.

If you've ever wondered about PAC, the work that we do or are interested in getting involved in some way, please feel free to attend our PAC meetings. Our meetings occur bi-monthly and our next one is scheduled for May 16. We also have a community Facebook group that all CTK parents are welcome to join. If you have any questions about PAC, our activities or to join our Facebook group, please contact myself at [kevinsim@shaw.ca](mailto:kevinsim@shaw.ca), your classroom representatives or any of the other PAC volunteers you might bump into during our events to learn more.

Happy Springtime!!

Sincerely,  
Kevin Sim, PAC Chair



## SOCIAL JUSTICE STUDENT COMMITTEE

During the month of February, the Social Justice group coordinated the collection of food and kitchen items for the Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity—an order started by St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Each class was asked to bring different items to help fill the pantry for the Sisters to use in their soup kitchen.



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## STUDENT COUNCIL

On behalf of the student council, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents and students who purchased student art from our art sale on February 27<sup>th</sup>. The proceeds from the sale will go toward CTK technology.

We would also like to thank students and staff for contributing proceeds (\$200) to the Villa Rosa Prenatal Organization through our recent canteen sale.

The student council members work very hard to be involved with as much as they can within the school community. We wanted to thank them for helping with the recent open house tours and to acknowledge our student council secretary Elena Verrelli for speaking about her positive experiences at Christ the King School over the years.



After spring break, the council will be hosting an April Fool's raffle to elect students and teachers to get a pie-in-the-face! Tickets will be \$2.00 and the event will be held on Friday, April 5.

Thank you very much.

Teacher Advisors: Mr. Gawron, Mrs. Bernardin, and Ms. Danakas



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## MILK SPIRIT WEEK 2019

Milk Spirit Week will take place April 29, 30, May 1, 2 and 3. It is a celebration of milk and school spirit for all grades to participate in. The Dairy Farmers of Manitoba provide us with prizes and rewards to help celebrate. All students who buy milk and use their milk tickets will be entered in the daily draws. There will also be contests and activities for all students. Help us celebrate the importance of milk by supporting our school milk program and participating in Milk Spirit Week.

## GUIDED READING AT CTK



We are excited at Christ the King School to be using a portion of our Book Fair earnings to further foster a balanced literacy program in the K-3 classrooms. Funds will be used to purchase a shared pool of Guided Reading material that will be used by the primary classrooms. Guided reading is an instructional approach that involves a teacher working with a small group of students who demonstrate similar reading behaviors and can all read similar levels of texts. The goal of guided reading is for students to use taught strategies independently on their way to becoming fluent, skilled readers.

## ROOTS OF EMPATHY



### Roots of Empathy

#### Racines de l'empathie

March 20, 2019

*Alessio is almost 6 months old!*

Alessio came for his March visit. He was very active and excited during his visit! He really liked standing and jumping around!

We talked about milestones and we discussed all the milestones that Alessio has reached – holding up his head rolling over, sitting up, knowing he has fingers, reaching for toys and holding toys. Alessio's favourite part of the visit was when the students sang him "Baby Shark"!

Our theme this month was "Safety". We discussed ways that Ms. Neves is making sure Alessio's environment is safe for him. Ms. Neves will be using baby gates once Alessio is crawling to keep him safe.

See you in April, Alessio!

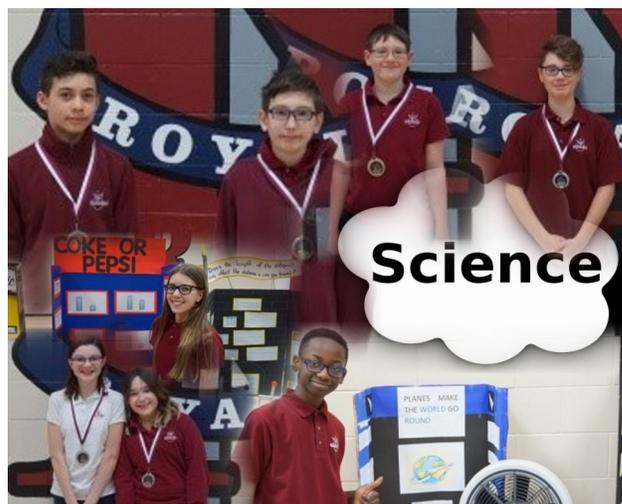
Mrs. Piper, Resource Teacher  
Roots of Empathy Instructor



## CTK SCIENCE FAIR

On Tuesday, February 26, CTK School had our annual Science Fair! Students were judged in the morning by individuals from the University of Manitoba, University of Winnipeg, and industry, and displayed their projects for parents, family, friends, and the rest of the school community that afternoon.

Congratulations and a big thank you to all the students in Grade 6, 7, and 8 for their hard work on their projects! You all did a great job and the judges were impressed by your originality and the interesting topics you chose. We would like to thank the parents for supporting your child in this event, and thank you to everyone who was able to make it out to see the projects. Also, a big thank you goes to Mrs. Carreiro and the CTK staff for supporting us in this endeavor.



The school will be sending students to the Bison Regional Science Fair on April 10-11. Those who are interested are to let Mrs. Bernardin and Mrs. Edwards know so proper paper work can be filled out. The entry fee is \$40 for an individual project and \$80 for a group project (\$40 per participant), and the registration deadline is March 22. For more information and an event schedule, please see <https://secure.youthscience.ca/sfiab/bisonregionalsciencefair/login.php>.

All the students are eligible to go to the Manitoba Schools Science Symposium (MSSS), which is April 25 – 28 at the University of Manitoba. Registration deadline is April 19. All the information for entry requirements can be found on their website [www.msss.mb.ca](http://www.msss.mb.ca) for those who are interested.

The results of our science fair are as follows:

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|------------|---|---|
| Grade 6:   | 1 <sup>st</sup>   | Liam and Declan – How Do Lemons Create Electricity?                             |
|            | 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | Koen- Butter  |
|            | 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | Jakob and Kallon – How Sound Frequency Affects Water                            |
|            | Honourable Mentions- Addison – Can People Tell the Difference Between Artificial and Natural Scents |   |
|            |   |   |
| Grade 7/8: | 1 <sup>st</sup>   | Andre – Does the Length of a Catapult Arm Affect the Distance Coins Can Travel? |
|            | 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | Angelina and Janelle – Extinguishing Inferno                                    |
|            | 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | Gabriel and Tyler – The Effect of Different Activities on Sleep                 |
|            | 3 <sup>rd</sup>   | Elena – Math and Music  |
|            | Honourable Mention Luke – Does Salt Change Freezing Temperature?                                    |   |

Thank you again!

Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Bernardin



## BAND PROGRAM NEWS

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone who came out to support our grade 6-8 bands at our recent band concert on February 20! The students worked very hard and did a great job showcasing their talent as young musicians. Our next band concert is already approaching. It is scheduled for Thursday, June 6 with two performances, at 9:00am dress rehearsal and a 7:00pm performance. I'm hoping everyone is able to make one of the performances.

Thank you very much.

Mr. Gawron, Band Director



## MUSIC NOTES!!!

Over Spring Break, all students, but especially Mass Choir students, are encouraged to practice singing the hymns that are on my website. These hymns include "Act Justly," "Lord Throughout these Holy Days" and "Never too Young". We will all be singing these hymns in the near future!

We have started a Jr. Mass Choir at Christ the King School! This choir is a special training group that all students in Grades 2 and 3 are welcome to join. This is a chance for students to learn our hymns, so students are able to participate fully in the music of mass. Jr. Mass Choir takes place on Day 6 during lunch recess. We have had an excellent start with seventeen students joining so far.



Students are getting excited about our Spring Concert. Each class in Grades 1-5 is preparing one Orff Based performance, using the barred instruments, (xylophones etc.), as well as singing in the Grade 1-3 or Grade 4-5 Choir. There are examples of the songs on my website if your children would like to practice. Family and friends are welcome at our Spring Concert!

Kindergarten students will have an opportunity to perform at their Kindergarten Graduation!

### Coming Events:

**May 7th - at 9am** Spring Concert at the CTK School Gym. Please come out and support your children.

**May 16th at 10:30 a.m.** - Grade 4-5, Adventures in Music Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra Concert at the Winnipeg Centennial Concert Hall.

**May 27-Friday June 3rd** - Rebecca Sawdon, a wonderful Winnipeg Contemporary Dancer, our Artist in the School, will teach our students all week. **We will have a concert to share the students' work on Friday June 3rd at 2:10.** Family and friends are welcome to join us.

For more information about what's happening in music at Christ the King School, please go to [mkirkwood@ctkschool.weebly.com](mailto:mkirkwood@ctkschool.weebly.com)

Sincerely,  
Ms. Kirkwood

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS



League basketball just finished and Christ the King fielded three teams who represented our school extremely well on the “hardcourt” and “in the paint”.

All three teams learned a lot and gained some valuable experience competing in the Manitoba Catholic Schools Athletic Association. The two grade 6 teams played in the Developmental division, and for most games were competing against clubs with grade 7 and 8 players, and held their own. Our grade 7 boys competitive team improved every game, at times playing against an all grade 8 team(s) in season play.



Thank you to coaches Romeo (boys competitive), Evenson, Mathies, and Wolanik (boys developmental), and Millions (girls developmental) for all of their hard work. Thank you to all of the scorekeepers who learned how to that job diligently and properly.

Next league sport is badminton. The grade 7 and 8 students will be playing in league sanctioned tournaments on April 23, 24, and 25<sup>th</sup>. Where they will play depends on what type of competition they want to enter (singles, double, or mixed doubles). The grade 6 students will be competing in a three day tournament hosted by Our Lady of Victory at April 30<sup>th</sup>- May 2<sup>nd</sup>. If any parents or former students want to help or takeover coaching, please send me an email at



[dkalichak@ctkschool.ca](mailto:dkalichak@ctkschool.ca). In mid-February Christ the King students in grades 4-8 were well involved in the Council or School Level of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw competition held during their physical education classes. Here are the results in order of first, second and third.

- Grade 4 Girls---Makenna, Chanti, and Adrianna
- Grade 4 boys---Izeyah, Lucien, and Antonio
- Grade 5 girls---Payton, Madelene, and Hope
- Grade 5 boys---Alex, Constantin, and Tianjai
- Grade 6 girls---Ashley, Madelaine, and Adriana
- Grade 6 boys---Liam, Declan, and Funmi
- Grade 7 boys---Christian, Drew and Luke
- Grade 7 girls---McKenna, Eden and Elena
- Grade 8 girls---Janelle

First, second and third place received medals courtesy of the Knight of Columbus. Thank you to all of the grade 4-8 students, as everyone participated, either to go on to the next level of competition, and if they did not, they did it for physical education marks, and to also improve on their free throw shooting abilities for present or future Royals teams.



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Our MCSAA league Annual General Meeting will be on Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. If parents have comments, suggestions, or recommendations, on how our volleyball, basketball, badminton, track and field, and soccer, program should be run, please send me an email. Our league constitution and by-laws are on the MCSAA website. As league President, the executive committee is always looking for parents and their input.

Christ the King students will be very active in the last three months of the school year. Plans are being finalized for Running Club, and our grade four class for the first time will be involved in track and field, in preparation for our school meet in May, and the Knights of Columbus Track and Field meet involving all of our Catholic Schools in early June. The Junior High U of M meet is June 10<sup>th</sup>, with the grades 4-8 meet on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>.

As well, there will be a MCSAA non-sanctioned soccer tournament for grades 6-8 at the Grant Park

WSEU Pitch on Tuesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. If any parents want to help coach the girls or boys team, please send me an email.

I am also hoping to jump ahead of the game, so to speak, and conduct volleyball practices for grades 6-8 students in preparation for next season, which will begin in October.

Have a great spring break, but there is homework all Junior Kindergarten to Grade 8 students need to do. All students need to do is to keep active during the week, with running, jogging, playing basketball at the Community Centre, going to places such as Sky Zone, and so on. Even walking the dog (or cat) is considered a physical fitness activity. Let's all keep active during this spring break, whether it is for ten minutes a day or three hours, every bit matters.

Have a good spring break and rest of the school year.

Mr. Kalichak  
Physical Education Specialist

## OTHER FUN STUFF!



Grade 2 & 3 at Super Chef



Students attending the After School Program and In-service Daycare—having fun, baking cookies, wall climbing, and creating beautiful artwork!

## I LOVE TO READ MONTH

Our students took part in many fun activities during I Love to Read month. -Flashlight Friday, Book Exchange, Word Games - just to name a few.

We were also visited by many special guests who came to read to different classrooms. Many thanks to Colleen Mayer, MLA for St. Vital, Colleen Bready and Maralee Caruso from CTV, Police Officer Trinidad, Jim Toth & Brandan Rewicki from TSN Radio, Drew from 102.3 Kiss FM Radio, Fr. Peter from CTK church and Mike the Firefighter.

Ms. Danakas, Mrs. Shaver, Mrs. Render, Mrs. Malo



## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



### Celebrating Catholic Schools!

During Catholic Schools Week Feb. 11—15 we celebrated in many ways— Glow Bowling, Sock Hop, School Mass, Hot Dog Day... just to name a few.



## CTK 'LEARN TO SKATE' PROGRAM

In February and March our Gr. 2 & 3 students participated in our new "Learn to Skate" program to compliment our Physical Education program. For five Thursdays, from February 7th to March 14th, students went by bus to Southdale Community Centre where they were taught to skate by qualified instructors. Many thanks to our parents for donating their gently used skates to those students who didn't have any and also to our parent volunteers who accompanied the students to the rink to help tie skates, put on helmets etc. Special thanks to Mr. Jeff Mager for his help in organizing our instructors and also reaching out to his contacts for donation of skates as well.

Mr. Kalichak, Mrs. Render & Ms. Salunga



## BOOK FAIR



Thank you to Ms. Danakas, her committee and helpers for all their great work in organizing and running the Book Fair.

We raised \$2972.45 allowing us to purchase new books for our library! Thank you all for your participation!



## SKI TRIP 2019



Gr. 7 & 8s....

on the slopes.....



at Stony Mountain Ski Area!

A fun day for all!



## LUNCH MONITORS 2019



Thank you to our many lunch monitors for all their help supervising our students while they eat their lunch. Thank you to Mrs. Armstrong for all her work in creating and coordinating the lunch monitor schedule. We really appreciate all you do!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

# April



Craft Club for Gr. 2 and 3 students will take place on Wednesdays - April 3, 10, 17, 24 & May 1st from 3:30—4:15pm

- ◆ April 1—Classes Resume
- ◆ April 8—Educators Conference—No Classes
- ◆ April 10-11—Bison Regional Science Fair
- ◆ April 11—School Mass @ 9:15am
- ◆ April 15—Early Dismissal—1:55pm
- ◆ April 18—Holy Thursday
- ◆ April 19—Good Friday—no School
- ◆ April 21—Easter Sunday
- ◆ April 22—Easter Monday—no Classes
- ◆ April 25—Movie Night 6pm
- ◆ April 29—Spring & Grad Photos



Movie Night  
Thursday,  
April 25th  
6pm  
in the gym  
**'Ralph Breaks  
the Internet'**

## TRIDUUM & EASTER at CHRIST THE KING PARISH

You are all invited and welcome to come to celebrate the Triduum & Easter liturgies at Christ the King Parish on:

+ **Holy Thursday**, Apr. 18th at 7pm There will be the washing of the feet and the commemoration of the Last Supper, followed by adoration.

+ **Good Friday**, Apr. 19th at 3pm (one Service only) - Veneration of the Cross

+ **Easter Vigil**, Apr. 20th at 8pm

+ And on **Easter Sunday**, Apr. 21st at 9am & 11am

### SACRAMENTS:

Lenten Penitential Celebrations  
Wednesday, Apr. 3rd - 7pm

First Eucharist—April 28th - 11am

Confirmation—May 22nd—7pm



## ONLINE INTERNET SAFETY PRESENTATION

**When:** May 16th PAC meeting  
**Time:** 7pm,

**Speaker:** Constable Martin Boileau

**All parents are encouraged to attend!**