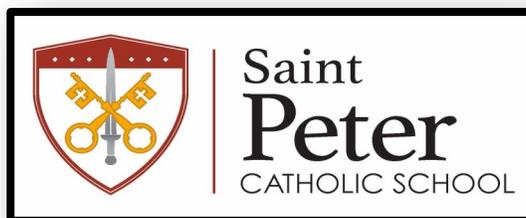


Saint Peter School



June 29, 2017

It is hard to believe how quickly the school year has passed and come to an end. I would like to thank everyone for your faith, trust, and commitment to the mission of St. Peter School. It is your belief in the Catholic education values that help us to sustain our school. This was a very busy year and you, as partners in education, played a great role in making it a success!

I would like to thank all of the parents and guardians of St. Peter for the tremendous amount of support you have given to our school community this school year. I am very proud being part of such a caring Christian community.

I also would like to thank all of our outstanding teachers for their dedication to quality instruction and learning opportunities as well as the EXTA-curricular opportunities they have provided to our students throughout the year. Their willingness to support new initiatives, coach athletic teams, organize fundraisers, field trips, assemblies, liturgies and sit on committees speaks to their commitment to the children at our school.

The support staff at St. Peter is outstanding. Our EAs, ECEs, Administrative Assistant, Library Technician, and Custodians do a phenomenal job. St. Peter is fortunate to have such a hard-working, caring group of individuals.

A very special thank you to the staff at St. Patrick's Parish, who have provided our students and staff with spiritual guidance and support throughout the year.

A great big THANK YOU to all of our students for such a great year. Your commitment to spiritual, academic, athletic and social excellence is what makes St. Peter such a special place.

To our Grade 8s...we wish you nothing but the best as you continue your education as Grade 9 students in secondary school. You have performed exceptionally well in your leadership role this year and have modeled, for the Grade 7s, what it means to be the student leaders of an inclusive Catholic school community.

Staff Changes

Every school year brings changes to staff due to enrolment, professional challenges or personal choices.

This year we need to say thank you and goodbye to **Ms. Stefanie McArthur** who is taking a maternity leave but will not be returning to St. Peter after her leave. We wish **Mrs. Heather Papp** congratulations and good luck in her appointment as Vice Principal at St. Dominic Savio School and Carizon. Mrs. Papp was a recent winner of a Barrday Award. We are so proud of her accomplishments and we know she will continue to be successful in her new role. **Ms. Jacqueline Lizun** and **Mrs. Michelle Hall**

will continue developing their career paths in other locations and we **Thank** them for their service as LTOs in our school. We also need to acknowledge the years **Mrs. Andrea Heikoop** has spent at St. Peter before she moves to John Sweeney School in Kitchener. We will certainly miss her in the Primary Division.

Please welcome Ms. Gwen Schell who will be one of our new Grade 7/8 teachers and Ms. Kristen Monteiro will be our other Grade 7/8 teacher. I will still be interviewing and to fill some spaces over the summer.

Start of School

School begins again on **Tuesday September 5, 2017 at 8:30 am**. We will meet on the blacktop at the back of the school if the weather is fine, or in the gym if it is raining. Because our enrolment might change over the summer, and there might be some change in staff, we cannot let students know about their future class assignment until we start school. Many factors are considered in the creation of class lists, including: academic strengths and needs, social groupings and gender ratio, etc. The teachers and administration take great care to ensure, to the best of our ability, all students' needs are met.

Some September dates to mark on your calendar now:

Tuesday Sept. 5 - 8:30 am—School Starts—Meet out back

Thurs. Sept 21—5:30pm—Meet the Teacher BBQ

Fri. Sept 22—P. A. Day

Wed. Sept. 27—School Council Meeting

Thurs. Sept. 28— Terry Fox Run/Walk

Summer Homework Help

Homework Help OPEN during the SUMMER

The Homework Help tutors will be online July 4-27, Mon-Thurs, 5:30-9:30 pm ET. This is a fantastic opportunity for grade 7-10 students who are reviewing math concepts, aiming to learn ahead, and/or enrolled in summer math courses to get live, 1-on-1

math support with Ontario Certified math teachers. *** NEW this year: "Getting ready for Grade 9" and "Getting ready for Grade 11" tutoring rooms available! ***

Homework Help's math resources (Interactive Tutorials, Best Sessions, and Listen & Learns) are available online anytime! They are great tools for students to learn and review concepts inside and outside of the classroom.

Student of the Month

May Students of the Month - Acceptance

JK/SK— Jacob M. JK/SK—Nathan R.
Gr. 1—Joshua C. Gr. 2—Alan A.
Gr. 2/3—Sara K. Gr. 3/4—Suzette P.
Gr. 4—Trystini W. Gr. 5/6—Ava W
Gr. 5/6—Lucas W. Gr. 7/8—Victoria M.
Gr. 7/8—Gabriel I

June Student of the Month—Fairness

JK/SK— Damien L.N JK/SK— Ava N
Gr. 1— Thomas M Gr. 2—Abby M.
Gr. 2/3—Logan D. Gr. 3/4—Tori B.
Gr. 4—Stacy T. Gr. 5/6—Ryder R.
Gr. 5/6—Maya G. Gr. 7/8—Sommer R.
Gr. 7/8—Brady C.

Math Edugains

Holiday Math: Take advantage of math in the world

Summer is a great time to learn how math relates to the real world. Math is everywhere! Help your child prevent "summer learning loss" by taking advantage of the many great opportunities to practice math naturally! Below are a few ideas to get you started:

- Cooking can involve weighing, measuring, ordering, estimating, adding, multiplying ...
- Restaurants and shopping can involve money, number identification, estimating, adding, subtracting, division ...
- Parties can involve matching numbers of

people to plates, cutlery, area of tables, estimation, multiplication ...

- Trips can involve time, distance, budgeting, speed, evaluating various routes, license plate games (e.g. adding or multiplying the numbers on the plate) ...
- Home projects can involve estimation, measuring, multiplication ...
- Gardening can involve measuring, counting, area, division ...

These ideas all demonstrate how much math is involved in our daily lives and will support your child in his or her basic computation and problem-solving skills in natural, fun and real ways.

Best Wishes

Congratulations to our Grade 8 Graduates who will be leaving us and moving in to various high schools in Cambridge in September. Take our best wishes with you, our love and affection, and hopefully something of the lessons you have learned here at St. Peters.

I wish you all a very happy, safe and enjoyable summer. Please be sure to take time as a family

to talk, play and pray together. I look forward to seeing you all in September. To those families who are not returning to our school—you will continue to be in our prayers as you make your journey on to new places.

