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Principal's Remarks

"Be the change you want to see in the world."

~Gandhi~

St. Mary's is certainly accustomed to change and also familiar with many role models who make a difference in our community. If we want a peaceful community, we must interact with each other in a peaceful and respectful manner. If we want to make a difference in the lives of our children, we need to take risks, step forward with our ideas and make that positive change.

This past month, our parent council took that risk and have made such a positive contribution to our school community. Over \$4,000 was raised at our Spring Fair to help provide much needed landscaping for our playground. I am grateful for all of their efforts and to the entire community for coming out to support our school. Many thanks to S. Bezaire, M. Sabin and all of the Gr. 7 and 8 students who made this day so positive!

Thanks also to our student cabinet who stepped forward and booked a motivational speaker for the entire school. Students were entertained with the message that you get more out of living, when you put more into life. It is cool to care!

As our Grade 8 students get ready to take a step forward into secondary school, we hope that they continue to change the world in a positive and loving way. We wish them all the best!

Thank you to the entire staff of St. Mary's school. Your hard work and flexibility this year are greatly appreciated. You make a difference in the lives of our children.

Wishing each and every one of you a safe and happy summer!
J Kuran

Congratulations to all who have contributed to our Cancer Research fundraiser.

To all who have donated their hair, their time, their support and to all those who will: You are making a difference in the lives of others!!

A Catholic Graduate Is Expected To Be:

A Collaborative Contributor Who:

- Works effectively as an interdependent team member.
- Thinks critically about the meaning and purpose of work.
- Develops one's God-given potential and makes a meaningful contribution to society.
- Finds meaning, dignity, fulfillment and vocation in work which contributes to the common good.
- Respects the rights, responsibilities and contributions of self and others.
- Exercises Christian leadership in the achievement of individual and group goals.
- Achieves excellence, originality, and integrity in one's own work and supports these qualities in the work of others.

May God bless you and keep you safe this summer!

Félicitations

Félicitations à nos orateurs qui ont remporté les honneurs aux compétitions de comptines et d'art oratoire à notre école cette année.

Les gagnants pour comptines sont: Ellen J, Lena R, Dominic T, Tyson M, Anna D, et Rachel B.

Les gagnants pour art oratoire sont: Lara G, Jocelyn V, Aja H, André L, Amelia A, et Laura S.
Bravo!!!

LITERACY TIP OF THE MONTH

Practice is the key. The more a child practices reading, the better a reader he/she will be. Read aloud, read silently, read with a partner, read magazines or comic books or fiction or non-fiction. Read, read, read!

NUMERACY TIP OF THE MONTH

Ask your child to help you solve every day number problems. "Two extra guests are joining us for dinner tonight. How many plates will we need altogether?" or "I need to double the cookie recipe. How many cups of sugar will we need now?" Math is used every day!

ANTI-BULLYING TIP OF THE MONTH

Bullying is relational in nature and is based on a real or perceived imbalance of power. Help your child create strategies to regain their power. Give them the tools to deal with the situation.

Grade 8 Graduation

All parents with children in Gr. 8 are reminded of the final graduation meetings. Please plan on attending June 12th and June 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the library. The decorating committee will be meeting at the K of C Hall on June 27th at 1:00 pm.

Grade 8 Fundraisers

The Grade 8 Graduation Committee is raising funds to cover expenses for this year's grade 8 class. The committee invites students and their families to participate in a garage sale challenge by donating 10% of their proceeds from the sales in June. Anyone wishing to participate may submit their proceeds in an envelope to Lisa Boyd and place it in the main office at St Mary's School. Please be sure to include your name and contact details with your donation. Thank you in advance for your participation.

The Graduation Committee invites all St. Mary's students in grades 5-8 to a movie night on Friday, June 9th at 7:00 p.m.

Thanks for raising \$425.00 during our New Orleans Pizza Nights!