



St. Albert of Jerusalem School

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Masses
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
12:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m.
Monday, 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday, 7:15 p.m.
Thursday, 9:00 a.m.
Friday – 9:00 a.m.

Next Early Release day:
Wednesday, January 31, 2007
Students finish school at 11:30
a.m.

Next P.A. Day:
Students do not attend school

Friday February 16, 2007

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome to Mrs. Charette! On behalf of the St. Albert of Jerusalem School community, we welcome Mrs. Angela Charette, our new Assistant Secretary.

Professional Development Day

Please be aware of our next Professional Development Day on Friday, February 16, 2007. Students will not attend school on that day.

Cold and Flu Season

Cold and flu season is back and so too are children's illnesses. Please use discretion in keeping your child home to recover. A child who is coughing, wheezing, etc. is not in a state to learn but is in a position to infect other children. Remember, if your children are well enough to attend school, they are well enough to go outside at recess.

Attention Gr. 4 Parents/Guardians Extended French Program

Grade 4 parents/guardians who wish to enroll their child in a grade 5 Extended French class for September, 2007 are invited to attend an information meeting at St. Therese of the Child Jesus School, 6930 Forest Park Drive on **January 30**

beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please be advised that enrolment is limited. Information has already been sent home with Grade 4 students. Classroom teachers have extra forms on hand.

HOLY NAME OF MARY REGISTRATION

Grade 9 Registration and Lottery for September 2007
Tuesday January 16th,
10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

And
Wednesday January 17th, 2007
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Actual Lottery Draw
Wednesday January 17th 2007
at 5:00 p.m.
In the Gym at HNM

Iona Catholic Secondary School

A new education option for incoming grade nine students interested in arts & culture. The "Iona Catholic Secondary School Arts & Culture Pathway" will be open for applications to all Mississauga Grade 8 students entering grade nine in September, 2007. The intake process will include an application, recommendations, interview, audition, portfolio, and preparation session. The application/portfolio deadline is Friday January 19th, 2007. The audition dates are February 20-26, 2007. For further information, please contact Joe Galea-Principal at 905-823-0136 or pick up an application package at the school which is conveniently located at

2170 South Sheridan Way in Mississauga.

Personal Items at School

The school cannot be responsible for personal items lost, stolen or damaged. Students are strongly encouraged to leave them at home.

Winter Dress

Winter dress concerns are with us again. It is imperative that all students come to school ready to participate in all activities, including outdoor recess. Please ensure that your children come to school prepared to go outdoors. Waterproof outerwear, hats, gloves and boots will keep them warm and dry. As well, all students should have indoor footwear. This is imperative in case of an emergency evacuation, since students will not have time to put on their boots if they have to evacuate the building. An extra pair of pants and socks, kept at school in their lockers, may be very useful if your child should need them.

Rough Play

Rough play on the school yard can lead to injuries. Pushing, shoving, and play fighting are forms of unacceptable behaviour that compromise student safety. Please reinforce with your children the "hands off" rule. If they encounter a problem they should first tell the other student to stop. If this does not work then report it promptly to the teacher on duty or to their classroom teacher. If the situation persists then it may be referred to the office for further disciplinary action.

Transportation

Buses canceled? School open? This decision rests with the Director of Education in consultation with the Transportation Department. During the winter months inclement weather may cause disruption to bus transportation and regular school operations. A decision to cancel school transportation and/or close schools is usually made by 7:00 a.m. and will be announced on local radio stations and television stations:

CKFM 99.9, CHUM 1050, CFTR 680, CFNY 102.1, CFTO, CBC,

CJCL 590, CHFI 98.1, CFRB 1010, ENERGY FM93.1, CJEK EZ ROCK, CHIN 100.7 FM / 1540 AM, TALK 640, CJMR / CHWO 1250, Z103.5, FOXY 885. FM, CHEZ, CITY PULSE

JUNIOR GIRL'S VOLLEYBALL

Congratulations to our Junior Girls Volleyball team who demonstrated great team playing and dedication throughout their season. After winning all regular games, they advanced – and won 1st place at the Family Tournament at St. Aloysius Gonzaga School. They then competed against the top teams in our Board. Their continued hard work, determination, teamwork and family support brought them to the finals, where they won 2nd place!

Ms. DeMarco and Mrs. MacNeill were proud of the way all of the girls contributed to the team's success and positively represented St. Albert of Jerusalem School. Hooray to our team members: Rene R., Olivia B., Jordyn F, Bernadette C, Hope S, Nana B, Chinello N, Savannah V, Gabby Roy, Alyssa G, Trisha A, and Amanda V!

JUNIOR BOY'S VOLLEYBALL

Congratulations to the boy's junior volleyball team for a great season. The boys displayed great sportsmanship and teamwork. They also gained a better understanding of the rules and strategies involved in volleyball, as well as, developed tremendous skills in a short time period. Coach Jones and Coach Boudreau would like to thank the team members: Brandon T., Scott, Alex J., Phillip, Anthony, Ryan, Albert, Alex Z., Cassidy, Sean, Michael V., and Adam.

An Invitation!

Spend an evening with **Dr. Marla Shapiro**, Media Personality, Breast Cancer thriver and Author – "Life in the Balance". CCCSC is proud to invite Dufferin-Peel Catholic Parents to an evening with "Dr. Marla" or "Canada's Doctor" as she is known. She will share her story with vigour, enthusiasm, strength and humour. The session will be interactive and motivational. Dr. Marla will provide

insights and suggestions to balance work/life and parenting, staying ahead of the "stress game". Her compelling approach and compassion as a speaker will be evident as she shares advice and information that everyone can use in their daily lives. Book signing to follow. This event takes place on **Thursday February 15, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Mississauga Convention Centre**. If you are interested in attending, please contact the school office.

Raising Resilient Children

Meadowvale Community Partnership presents their 3rd annual "**Parenting ... with a Difference**" presentation. Learn practical tips to help your child(ren):

- ◆ Cope with stress
- ◆ Solve day to day problems on their own
- ◆ Make good choices
- ◆ Resist drug and alcohol use

This event will take place at the Meadowvale Theatre on Tuesday February 6, 2007 from 7-9 pm. To pre-register or for more information please call Health Line Peel at (905) 799-7700.

Early Release Day

The next Early Release Day for students is **Wednesday, January 31st** at 11:30 a.m. As before, there are no afternoon kindergarten classes on that day. All bus students will be sent home by regular transportation at 11:30 a.m. Please make arrangements ahead of time to coordinate the supervision of your children for

March Break Dates:

Monday March 12, 2007 to Friday March 16, 2007.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Come out and join us! **St. Albert's Family Event and Skate with the**

Ice Dogs is on Sunday, February 11, 2007. This year not only do we get to watch the game but we get to go skating before the game!!!! More information on this great afternoon to follow!!!