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March 2009 Newsletter

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Prayer for a New Heart

Lord, you made us because you love us.

You made us free.

We can do good things.

We can do bad things.

The choice is ours.

Help us to choose the best.

Help us to think of others first.

Help us to share, to give, to love,

and to make the world a better place.

We want to learn to love like you love.

We want to choose your way.

We want this Lent to change us...for good!

Amen

Principal's Message

The season of Lent is upon us. As we persevere through our Lenten journey, we remember the forty days of sacrifice that Jesus spent in the desert preparing for his ministry. Let us use this time to engage in prayer, fasting and almsgiving as we eagerly anticipate the Easter season.

I would like to invite all who can attend to our Lenten Mass on Wednesday, March 11 at 9:15 am in the school gymnasium. As a Catholic community we use the Mass to continuously reflect on whether our "Lenten promises" are bringing us closer to Jesus.

As March Break approaches (March 16-20), I would like to wish everyone in the Christ the King Community an enjoyable and restful week with family and friends.

L. Storey

VIRTUES PROGRAM - MARCH ~ KINDNESS

This month we will celebrate the virtue of kindness.

God has given us the gifts of friends and companions to keep us company and to help us out along the way. Every person in our lives carries the Spirit of God - and so every person is our brother or sister through Jesus Christ.

As brothers and sisters who share one Holy Spirit, we are all valuable to God. We all deserve to be shown concern for our welfare and our feelings. We have all been given the fruit of the Spirit called kindness.

Kindness can only be seen through actions. It's not enough to say I will be kind or I am kind. We must show that we are kind by our words and our actions.

Through prayer and concentration, we can get better at showing kindness to everyone we meet.

A Kind Person...

- ◆ **Says nice things about others so they feel good about themselves**
- ◆ **Sticks up for people who are picked on or need help**
- ◆ **Refuses to join others who are insulting, intimidating, mean or hurtful**
- ◆ **Watches and looks for ways to help those in need**

All virtue information has been added to the front pages of your child's agenda.

Lenten Mass



On Wednesday, March 11th Father Joseph will celebrate a Lenten mass for us at 9:15 a.m. in the gym. Parents are welcome to join us.

Holy Week

Holy week begins on Palm Sunday, April 5th. During this week we will focus on Jesus' Passion and Death. Each day of Holy Week there will be a presentation to remind us of the importance of these events. Parents are welcome to join us. More information will be available in the April newsletter.

ShareLife

The Christ the King Share Life campaign continues this month. Thank you for your ongoing support. On Wednesday, April 15th, Mrs. Yee's Grade 2 class will hold their annual Used Toy and Book sale. Your donations of toys, books, puzzles and games will be gratefully accepted.

Looking ahead

~Movie/Popcorn Day March 13th



~ Grade 8 Bake Sale April 2nd



~ Hot Dog Day April 14th



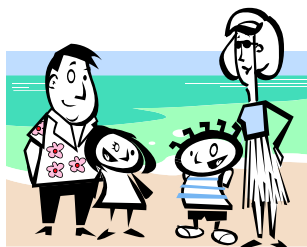
We have additional CTK recipe books. These will be sold for \$2.00 each with all proceeds going to Share Life. If interested in purchasing a recipe book, please ask your child to see Ms. Chelak in the library.

School Website

Be sure to visit our school website. All newsletters, calendars and other pertinent information is always updated. Our website address is

<http://dpcdsb.org/CKING>

March Break



March break this year takes place **March 16th to March 20th inclusive**. We return to school Monday, March 23rd.

EQAO



Administration of the Grade 3 and 6 Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, 2007-2008 will be held May 25 – June 5, 2009.

Specific dates will be forthcoming. We ask that parents/guardians do not book any doctor or dentist appointments during this time to ensure that your child is present during test taking.

Valuables at School...

Please remind your children to keep their valuables at home and not to bring them to the school. Staff cannot be responsible for any of these items that your child may bring to the school. These items include money, jewelry, electronics, toys, trading cards etc.

Camp Muskoka



The Grade 8's ventured to Camp Muskoka in Bracebridge from February 11 - 13th, 2009. This was a wonderful opportunity for the graduating class of

2009 to participate in a variety of outdoor, leadership and school spirit activities. It was a memorable trip for all the Grade 8's.

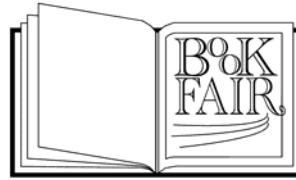


CHESS CLUB

The CTK Chess Club is going strong with it's meetings at Friday lunch recesses. Representatives from the chess club participated in invitational chess tournaments at St. Edmund School during the month of February. Members are now preparing for the Mississauga Chess championship, taking place at St. Faustina School on March 7th. Good Luck Chess Players.



VALENTINE BOOK FAIR



The Book Fair in February was a great success. Thank you to Mrs. Mastrangelo's grade 1 students who presented a poem they had created to advertise the bookfair and sale of cookies.

Thank you to the CCC (cooking club) for creating the delicious valentine's cookies.

The Book Fair is a great opportunity for everyone to get excited about reading! It also helps to provide some new reading materials for our Library. Thank you students, parents, and teachers for attending and supporting this initiative.

A special thank you to Mrs. Meo, Mrs. Viloria, Maria Coccia and Shiela Cordero for their hard work at setting up and running the Book Fair. If you missed this event, be sure to look for it next year!

Happy Reading from the Library!!!



READING TIPS FOR PARENTS



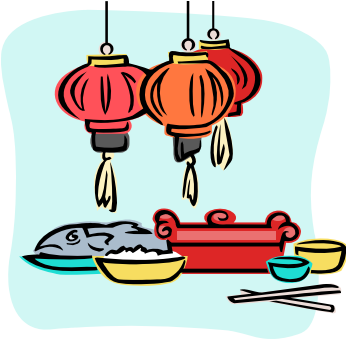
When reading Informational Text - also known as Non-Fiction Text - here are some things to discuss with your child:

Look at the features in the book and talk about how they help us as a reader

- Table of contents - lists the chapters and topics in the book, along with the page numbers
- Glossary - words that are important to your topic are defined for you (like a mini dictionary)
- Photographs - to show you what something really looks like
- Captions - tell you extra information about the photo you are looking at
- Index - to help you find the information you are looking for and on what page it can be found
- Bold words - important words that you can look up in the glossary to find the meaning
- Italics - this word is important and it needs to be remembered
- Subheading/Subtitles - tell us what topic (information) the paragraph will tell us about

Kung Hei Fat Choy!! Happy

Mrs. Nahirniak, Mrs. Mastrangelo and their students welcomed the year of the Ox!



Our special guest helped us celebrate Chinese New Year. We learned that in China, New Year celebrations often last up to two weeks, ending with the Lantern Festival, lion dancing and firecrackers to ward off unpleasant spirits. Children get new clothes and hair cuts in order to greet the coming year with freshness, and, like the Chinese children, we received "li-xi" or lucky money in red envelopes. Red is the colour of good luck and happiness! We enjoyed eating long noodles, for a long life and making special crafts.

Thank you to Naomi and Hillary's mom for sharing her time and expertise with us. We had a great time!

Kung Hei Fat Choy!

2009 Year of the Ox



"Hurricane Sighting"

Dr. Rubin Carter Addresses Grade 7 Students on Diversity

At the 4th Annual Diversity Conference, hosted at Iona Secondary School, Grade 7 students in Mississauga South were privileged to hear Dr. Rubin "Hurricane" Carter speak to them about the issues of diversity, racism, hope and faith. The former boxer, writer and human rights activist used his personal story of being imprisoned for 20 years, for crimes he did not commit, to encourage the students to overcome racism and prejudice within their own communities while stressing the importance of education, acceptance and ambition. Impressed that the majority of the students had intimate knowledge of his life experience, having previously viewed the academy nominated movie, "The Hurricane", starring Denzel Washington, Dr. Carter challenged the students to free themselves from their own "prisons" and to become leaders who create a more inclusive community by embracing and accepting the differences among all of us.



"The hate we have doesn't belong to us; we are born into it," he told his enthralled audience. "It was here long before us, and we're conditioned to take it on as our own. We can let go of hate as easily as if we're taking off a coat." Dr. Carter acknowledged that, "hate is what put (him) into prison, and love is what busted (him) out"!

The students were truly inspired by Dr. Carter and his courage and strength in the face of blatant racism. His story provided the entire audience with a impressive example of the need for respect, tolerance and acceptance. Dr. Carter again challenged the students to use their "power to piece the world back together."

Following Dr. Carter's keynote address, the Grade 7 students attended afternoon workshops conducted by members of the Harmony Movement. In these workshops, the students broadened their perspective on, and understanding of, diversity. They learned new ways of developing their own skills to bring about positive social and attitudinal change in their school communities.

The Mississauga South Diversity Conference for Grade 7 Students was a truly memorable day that will have a long lasting impact on everyone who attended. Dr. Carter was inspirational in his presence and message to all. His message, "Dare to Dream," was heard and embraced by all. It is hoped that our grade 7 students will share the experience, and the "dream", with their own school communities in the weeks, months, and years to come.

Home of the Lions

BASKETBALL NEWS



The Intermediate Girls' Basketball team ended their regular season successfully with 4 wins and 0 losses, making it to the Family Board Tournament as the first place team. The girls' participated in the family tournament at Iona on February 19, 2009. With great determination the girls played 2 outstanding games, just barely making it into the semi-finals. All the girls' demonstrated outstanding effort, attitude and school spirit during the season and at the tournament. Their dedication to the team and Christ the King athletics is to be commended.

The team members are:

Ombolade A.	Jenny C.	Kaitlyn D.	Emily M.
Robynn M.	Milica M.	Marija M.	Jackie S
Shelby S.A	Noreena V		

We wish the graduating grade 8 girls the best of luck in high school.

A special thank you to Mr. Morra and Mr. Celeste for running the try-outs and selecting the team. Many thanks to the spectators and parent drivers for their time and help. A big thank you to the scorekeepers: Kendra W, Chris A, Chris N, Jessica L, Thomas M

CTK ALL THE WAY – GO LIONS



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*Saturday, April 4, 2009
St. Marguerite D'Youville S.S.
10815 Dixie Road, Brampton
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*Please R.S.V.P by March 13th
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Keynote
Speaker

John Kostoff
Director of Education

**"Keeping Catholic Education Alive...
What Can You Do?"**



Christ the King Catholic School Parent Input for Class Placement Memorandum

Date: _____

To: L. Storey, Principal, Christ the King Catholic School

From: _____

RE: Consideration for Class Placement for my Son/Daughter September 2009

Dear Mr. Storey,

I understand that the staff of Christ the King Catholic School will soon begin the process of determining class placement for September 2009. Kindly take into account the following information when making a decision about my child's class placement.

Child's Name: _____

Child's Present Teacher: _____

My son/daughter has experienced the most success in the following learning environment : (please give brief information regarding factors in a learning environment that are relevant to your child's class placement i.e.; teacher's instructional style, peer relationships, child's learning style, etc.)

(You may use the back of this form if more space is required)

I understand that it will not be possible to respond to all requests but that staff will take into consideration the information provided above and that this information will form part of the placement decision.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Please submit this form to L. Storey by April 17, 2009