



SERVE WITH JOYFUL HEARTS

CCS NEWS

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

October is a month of many important themes here at Cloverdale Catholic School. The first theme is "thankfulness". We have so much to be thankful for in our school, community, and country. During this month we will be doing activities surrounding this theme to help the students develop their spirit of gratitude.

October is also the month of the Rosary. We will be celebrating a "living rosary" together as a school on October 20th. During this month I invite all families to commit themselves to more ardent devotion to our Blessed Mother through praying the Rosary. As a father of five young kids, I understand how chaotic and

busy life can seem, but every time we do make the extra effort to pray the entire Rosary as a family it is a good experience. If you have not been in the practice of praying the Rosary together, try it for this month and see what effect it has on your family. As the old adage says "The family that prays together, stays together."

Finally, October is also the Church's month for missions. Our Church is a missionary Church! While the days of the "Blackrobes" may seem long behind us, where would we be as a nation without the sacrifice of the brave men and women who brought Catholicism, and western culture,



to North America? Our mission as a Church continues today, both Mass or home or abroad. During this month we will be teaching the kids about missions and learning ways to continue to spread God's message at home and abroad.

Thank you to everyone for an awesome start to the school year. If you have any questions or comments never hesitate to visit, call, or email any-time.

Upcoming Important Dates to Remember

For a full and updated calendar please visit our website ccsunit-ed.com

Saturday, October 1

- WORK BEE

Tuesday, October 4

- Cross Country Championships

Wed, October 5

- Craft Planning

Friday, October 7

- Walkathon

Monday, October 10

- No School Thanksgiving

Wed, October 12

- Class Mass Gr4

Friday, October 14

- Mass Grade 6

Wed, October 19

- Crafting Bee

Thursday, October 20

- Living Rosary Gr4

- Vocations Field Trip

Friday, October 21

- Pro D No School

Monday to Friday, October 24 to 28

- Mission Week

Wed, October 26

- Class Mass Gr3

- Jr Soccer quarter Finals

Thursday, October 27

- Sr Soccer quarter Finals

Friday, October 28

- Mass Grade 5

WALK-A-THON

Our annual walk-a-thon takes place on October 7th. We are looking for volunteers to act as crossing guards at busy intersections that day. If you can help, please call the school office. Please also be generous as we strive for our goal of \$15000.

PARENT FUNDRAISING GROUP

Our Parent Fundraising Group (PFG) is still looking for volunteers to help to organize and implement fundraisers like our Auction Night. If you are interested please contact Zoe McCabe or leave your name at the school office.

TWITTER

Our new website design and teacher blogs have been very well received by families. Thank your to the teachers for the fantastic blogging! One element not being utilized much is the Twitter feed. Get the Twitter app and follow @ClouvCatholicSch

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Our Grade Two students recently lived out our school theme this year with a surprise visit to Bethshan Gardens. They sang for and visited with the seniors and there were smiles all around. Thanks to Miss Kranabetter and Ms. Paraiso for preparing the kids.

PLAYGROUND AND CROSSWALK SUPERVISORS

Thank you to Mrs. Squires for all her hard work in organizing the parent supervisors. We are still looking for volunteers, particularly before and after school. If you need family service hours and would like to help, please leave your name at the office.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Our Grade Sevens had an amazing time at Timberline Ranch for their Outdoor Education component of the Grade 7 Curriculum. Staff, parents and students participated in many camp events as well as the spiritual leadership provided by Fr. Mark. Fun was had by all.

CHASTITY TALK

Gr 5, 6 and 7 parents attended a informative evening regarding human sexuality and how to talk to your teen. These annual sessions are a valuable way for parents to learn great practical tips for raising kids. Thank you to parents and speaker Tia Macdougall, Signal Hill.

PARISH BAZAAR

Mark your calendars for our annual Precious Blood Parish Bazaar to be held on **Saturday, December 3rd from 9 am to 2 pm** at the parish centre.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As part of our Parish Bazaar, all CCS students and preschoolers will be making a craft which will be sold at the bazaar. We are looking for people who can help prepare the student crafts. We will be having a planning session on Wednesday, October 5th from 9 to 11 am in the columbus/cenacle rooms at the parish centre.

After the planning session, we will need to prepare the students crafts at the crafting bee on Wednesday, October 19th from 9 am to 12 noon in the columbus/cenacle rooms. Feel free to bring your little ones on both days. We will be serving coffee/tea and snacks at both sessions.

We will be sending home a schedule soon of when your children will be making their crafts in the classroom.

If you require any further information regarding the student crafts, please contact Lucia Borkowski at luciaborkowski@gmail.com.



“AND WITH YOUR SPIRIT”

If I say “The Lord be with you” your automatic response would probably be “and also with you.” On November 27th, 2011, major changes are being implemented in the Mass. Many of the responses we have been saying for the past 40 years will be different. The reason for this is that the Church has finally completed and approved a new translation of the original Mass prayer that were written in Latin. The translation we have been using since the Second Vatican Council has been great, but the new translation is more accurate to the original and provides a deeper understanding of the origin of many parts of the Mass. Information on these changes will be coming home to families through the kids to help you prepare for the new responses. This change will take some getting used to, but it is hoped that the discussion and preparation for the changes will deepen our understanding of the Mass and begin a new time of renewal for all of us.