

CTK SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER, 2016

NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Dear Parents/Guardians:

After a wonderful summer of rest, students are already into school routines and doing quite well. Staff began their school year meeting with our new priest moderator, Father Peter Genger with a special prayer and blessing for the new school year.

For those families who are new to our Catholic school system, Christ the King School is one of the nineteen Catholics Schools in Manitoba. Our school opened its doors 60 years ago and it is committed to Jesus Christ and to the holistic development of each child. Parents are their children's primary educators! We complement mission and will empower students to recognize their gifts and their responsibilities to serve one another as great citizens of our society. This month students are encouraged to bring canned meat or fish for Winnipeg Harvest.

Christ the King School offers an outstanding academic program along with many athletic opportunities and enrichment activities for all students.

Our volleyball teams wasted no time and have been practicing diligently. Choir, sewing club and lunch monitors have all been initiated. Student Council is busy preparing their campaign with elections coming up next week and Mad Science information will be sent home on Sept 21 (for grades 1-6).

Once again, our school will be doing an Assessment for Learning entitled Strong Beginnings on Sept 23 and 26. This is a process of gathering and interpreting evidence about student learning for the purpose of determining where students are in their learning, where they need to go, and how best to get there, with a strong focus on literacy and numeracy skills. A reminder that there are no regular classes on these two days (except for grade 8 Applied Arts at Darwin School) and day care is not available. If you have any questions please direct them to your child's homeroom teacher.

Information about Terry Fox Walk (Sept 30) will be sent out via classroom teachers.

I would like to thank each one of you for a warm welcome into the Christ the King community. I am in awe with our students and staff commitment! I look forward to a great 2016/2017 school year!

Yours truly,
Mrs. Laura Carreiro *Principal*





MESSAGE FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It's that time again, the beginning of a new school year. The Board of Directors would like to take the opportunity to welcome the new families to the Christ the King community. We would also like to welcome back our returning families, teachers and staff. A special welcome to Mrs. Laura Carreiro, our new school administrator, Mrs. Lesley Malo, grade 1 teacher, and Mlle, Agnus-Mariae Lucas, grade 7 & 8, French, Religion and Health teacher. Mr. Dominic Gawron has taught band at CTK for the last year and has now accepted the position as grade 7 home room teacher and grade 7/8 Social Studies, ELA and Band 6/7/8. We hope you all thoroughly enjoy your time here at Christ the King. We are fortunate to have you.

We recently sent out a communication indicating what we have been busy working on over the summer and we look forward to the busy year ahead. We will do our best to keep you updated on what we are working on and of any project or committee that can use your help.

The AGM is a great opportunity for you to hear what the Board has been working on over the past year and to

hear what we have planned for the upcoming year. It is also an opportunity for you to come out and tell us your ideas and comments. Our AGM is being held on Wednesday, October 26th, at 7:00 pm in the Lennox Hall. Please mark your calendars as we would love to see you there!

If you have any questions, comments or information for the Board of Directors, please feel free to contact us at boardchairman@ctkschool.ca

CTK School Board of Directors



Our school is part of the School Milk Program. Dairy Farmers of Manitoba supply us with incentive prizes in September to encourage our students to drink milk. Milk tickets are entered into random draws for monthly prizes. Milk tickets can be purchased from the office.

Let's make this year moo-velous!

DID YOU KNOW?

September is Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month. Please keep this in mind if you are looking to donate to a charity. Childhood cancer donations are greatly appreciated by families with children who are on a journey with cancer.



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Please remember to sign your child in and out of the Before and After Program.

Please bring a pair of shoes from home for the Before and After School Program. Students will not be allowed to get shoes from their classroom as the supervisor can't leave students unattended in the program. Thank you for your cooperation.

All Families who use the Before and After School Program <u>must</u> purchase a key fob from the school office. Cost is \$10.00 which will be returned at the end of the year when you return it.



MAY OUR SCHOOL BE A HOUSEHOLD OF GOD

PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL NEWS

A warm welcome to returning families, and a BIG hello to all the new families from CTK's Parent Advisory Council (PAC).

PAC is in immediate need of: a PAC
Secretary to record meeting minutes at
the six PAC meetings during the school
year, a Co-Treasurer to deposit PAC
monies collected into the PAC bank
account (approximately 2 deposits per
month); a Pre-K Parent/Guardian
Classroom Representative; a Grade 6
Parent/Guardian Classroom
Representative; and a 2nd Wine Raffle
Coordinator. No prior experience is
required. For more information, or to
volunteer, please contact Lisa Albensi,
PAC Chair, at albensi6@gmail.com or
(204) 260-9139.

The next PAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21, in the Grade 8 Classroom from 7:00 pm to 8:15 pm. All parents, guardians, and staff are invited to attend. The CTK PAC functions to support the Board and the staff in their efforts to deliver the best quality Catholic education for our children. We organize a number of fundraising events throughout the year (coupon books, wine raffle, walk-a-thon, etc.), the proceeds of which are vital to the operation of the school. In addition, we organize many fun activities for the students such as Family Fun Day, Family Movie Night, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Brunch, etc. Everything we do is volunteer-based and we rely on parent volunteers to donate their time and talents to make these events happen.

Show and Save books were sent home the first day of school. Show and Save monies and unsold books are due back

to the front office by September 30. If you have questions about the Show and Save Fundraiser, please contact Denise Flint at diflint@mymts.net. Koup Books were sent home with the students this week.

If you would like to participate in the CTK School Directory (voluntary participation), please return your completed form to the front office by September 30. If you would like to donate school supplies for **Mennonite Central Committee School** Kit program, please send supplies in with your child by September 16.

PAC has a Facebook page. If you would like to be a member of this Closed Group, please email Lisa Albensi at albensi6@gmail.com. Membership is CTK to parents/Guardians, open teachers, and school staff. Being a member of this group does not mean that other members will have access to your personal Facebook page, they will only have access to what is posted on the PAC Facebook page. This FB page is for school-related information and activities and not intended for individual business purposes and/or advertising.

The first **Hot Dog Day** will be on October 7 and the first **Fun Lunch** will be on October 14. If you would like to volunteer at Hot Dog Day of Fun Lunch, please sign up on the Volunteer Portal: https://secure.rotundasoftware.com/l/web-terminal/login/CTK bingo?killSession=1.

Fun Lunch ordering information will be sent out in a few weeks.

"If you have knowledge, let others light their candle in it."

Thomas Fuller



Please join us on Thursday, September 22 from 3:30-5:30 p.m. for our Annual Family Fun Day!

The Grade 2 and Grade 6 parents will be hosting this year's Family Fun Day on September 22 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm in the school's gym (Volunteer portal is now ready for Grade 2 and 6 parents to sign up for a time slot/activity). Dinner pre-order forms were sent home the first day of school. Please return those forms with payment by September 16. We will have bouncers, face painting, tattoo and craft stations, game stations, a photo booth, and a food truck vendor. We had over 200 people in attendance at last year's event. It is a great time to meet the teachers, staff, and other families. Looking forward to meeting many of you there!

Teachers will be available from 3:30 pm-4:00 pm in the front foyer so come and say "HI". After that join us in the gym for some food and fun for all ages!

Parent Advisory Council

