



HOLY NAME OF MARY

CATHOLIC SCHOOL



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Holy Name of Mary Catholic School

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Principal: Jennifer Keene

Tuesday, October 24th., 2023 5:30 PM

Holy Name of Mary School Library

1. Welcome/Introduction and Prayer: Jennifer Keene

Catholic School Advisory Council Prayer: Lead by Shawn

God, the source of every good gift,

Grant us Your Spirit to guide us in our responsibilities as a School Council.

May we work together in harmony for the common good;

May we listen to one another in a spirit of genuine respect;

May we encourage and reverence one another's unique talents;

May we use the gifts of the Spirit in creative Christian leadership;

May we approach our decision-making through discernment and prayer;

May we respond effectively to the needs of the children in our care.

God of Love, May Your blessings radiate from us to others as we strive to do Your will,

We ask this through Jesus Christ, the Light of the World. Amen.

2. Call to Order & Recording of Attendance:

Leah Verbaan, Drew Shaule, Ashley Low, Katie Simons, Sarah Becker, Kaitlyn Spicer, Carly de Wit, Shawn Terpstra, Sarah Forbes, Ashley Agar, Jennifer Keene

3. Approval of Agenda: Approved by Sarah Forbes and Kaitlyn

4. Approval of Minutes from last meeting: Approved by Drew and Shawn

5. Financial Report & Approval of Financial Report:

Drew reviewed finances and planned spending for this year approximately \$20 000 to start.

Adding funds for French, VAP, Library, SERT @ \$400 each

Bussing for skating

Charitable donations @ \$500 x 2

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Approximate balance after years planned expenses - \$1700

- Mark Feeny will provide labour for mud kitchen, Shawn will connect with him about supplies.
- We must buy things new and provide a receipt, used items can be donated, we cannot be reimbursed for purchased used items.
- Teachers use CSAC classroom funds to buy things for the classroom like manipulatives to aid learning but not textbooks

6. Principal's Report & Business Arising from Report: Jennifer Keene

Math Team working closely with our teachers. They are co-planning and co-teaching with our teachers typically on Thursdays every week for the remainder of the school year as we are a math target school this year.

Grade 4 and 7 students completed the CCAT test- Criteria cognitive Aptitude test: a test that measures an individual's aptitude, or ability to solve problems, digest and apply information, learn new skills, and think critically.

St. Vincent de Paul: our school goal is to bring in 500 canned goods which will be donated next week- Black and Orange day/ Dress up in Halloween costumes and pj days are incentives to bring canned goods

Gr. 8 students participated in an Arts day at St. Mikes on Wed. Oct 18th

Gr. 6 students will be participating in a technological exploration day on Thurs. Oct. 26

Gr. 7 and 8 students have been invited to a tech presentation on Thurs. Oct. 26

Bus evacuation will take place on Wednesday Oct. 25

Public Health Dental Screening took place Mon. Oct 23 for Kindergarten, Gr.2, Gr. 4 and Gr. 7 students

Kindergarten to Gr. 2/3 classes will be going to McCullys either on Thursday Oct. 26 or Fri. Oct 27

EQAO data for 2023:

Student Achievement At or Above Provincial Standard (Level 3 or 4)			
PRIMARY	READING	WRITING	MATH
School	81%	71%	67%
Board	81%	74%	66%
Province	73%	66%	60%

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Student Achievement At or Above Provincial Standard (Level 3 or 4)			
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School	92%	100%	69%
Board	81%	85%	49%
Province	84%	84%	50%

Progress reports are coming home on Friday November 3rd

Parent conferences are on Wednesday November 8th

The Scholastic Book Fair is taking place Mon. Nov. 6-10th

Save the Date Christmas Concert for Kindergarten to Gr. 6 On Tuesday December 12th @ 6:00

Gifts From the Heart is scheduled for Tues. December 5th

7. Policy Review: Jennifer Keene

Dress code- CSAC felt no need to change, refer to student planner.

8. Other Business:

Snack program- Melody is preparing the food at the school, Currently Sarah Forbes is ordering according to snack program guidelines but open to suggestions of what to purchase, healthy snack delivery program will start in the new year.

Shrove Tuesday- Sarah Becker will look into Syrup for pancake breakfast, Hilary will cook pancakes at Sunset Dinner and deliver to school. Sarah Forbes will inquire if sausages can be prepared at Sunset Dinner as well. Parents Volunteers will help with fruit preparation, pancake transportation.

Pizza Discussion- Hot lunch is a fundraiser for school. Teachers will determine if “extra slice” order button is required based on need. Extra money will stay in CSAC to purchase pizza for event (open house)

WWFF- Proposed date June 6,

Extra CSAC funds can be put aside for a future project. Our playground is still safe but it will be a future expense we could save for.

Next Meeting Date: January 23rd at 5:30

10. Closing Prayer: Our Father

11. Meeting Adjourned:

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