

COMMUNIQUE



le 27 Janvier/January 27, 2011

SOYEZ LA BONNE NOUVELLE
BE THE GOOD NEWS

WEEKLY REMINDERS

Jan. 27 - Student Led Conferences -
wear school uniform
Jan. 28 - PRO-D DAY - NO SCHOOL
Jan. 29 - Work Bee
Jan. 31 - Kindergarten Switchover

OUR LADY OF FATIMA SCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN 2011/12 - APPLICATION EVENING

The application evening is being held on Thursday, February 10 at 7:00 pm in the Fatima Centre. All parents of eligible children (5 yrs. prior to Dec. 31, 2011) must attend this meeting in order to apply for our Kindergarten classes.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK FEBRUARY 6 - 11

Sunday, February 6 is the commencement of Catholic Schools Week. All families are encouraged to come and celebrate with us at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on that day. Children who attend Fatima or other Catholic schools are asked to wear their respective school uniform. Teachers and students of Fatima school will be leading the Mass in choir, readings and bringing up the gifts.

On Tuesday, February 8 we will be hosting an Open House from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.. All parents are welcome to walk around the school to view the classes in session.

As our mission to give service to others this week, we will be collecting for Sisters of Attonement.

FESTIVAL DU BOIS

French Immersion students enjoyed spending a couple of hours at Fort Langley yesterday as part of the Festival du Bois' School Program. They learned a lot about the Hudson's Bay Fur Trade and the important role that the Voyageurs and the Natives played in exploring this natural resource many years ago. Students also learned how to weave, an important skill that needed to be learned, in order to make the "ceinture fléchée" (sash) that the Voyageurs wore on a daily basis. Students also participated in a traditional French Canadian sing-a-long and ended with a tasty "maple syrup" treat. What wonderful "Joie de vivre" our students displayed!



CANADIAN PARENTS FOR FRENCH

The Canadian Parents for French newsletter is now only accessible on line. Their website address is: www.cpf-tricities.ca or you can access the link from Our Lady of Fatima School website.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Canadian Parents for French for generously donating \$200.00 to the school for French resources.



Carnaval de Fatima
When: Friday, February 25th, 2011
Where: The Fatima Centre and Church Basement
Time: 4:00 - 7:30pm

The carnival needs your help in the following areas:

Candy Jars!!!

Last year we collected close to 500 candy jars!!! **Candy jars should be appealing to the children and should be decorated with ribbons and bows.** Candy should not be old and stale. Candy jars come in all sizes: bowls, glasses, fishbowls, clay pots, etc with brightly coloured tops and lids. (No plastic or paper cup containers, as well as, no wine or liquor bottles to hold the candy.)

Participation hours:

1 small baby food candy jar = 15 minutes
1 liter or smaller jar = 30 minutes
Larger than 1 liter - 1 hour



Participation hours can not be more than 3 hours **per family** for candy jars. Please bring your candy jars to the office or your child's class.

*****ABSOLUTLEY NO NUT CANDY PRODUCTS*****

Auction Items!!!

Our silent auction needs your help. In the past we have received amazing items!!! Any new or unused item is welcome. Gift certificates and event tickets are welcome!!! Please bring your item to your child's class or the office, along with this completed slip.

Auction Items:

Name: _____
Grade: _____
Item: _____
Approximate Value _____
Gift Certificate: _____
Other: _____



*****NO USED ITEMS - THANK YOU*****

Cake Walk!!!

Our cake walk will take place in the Church Basement. Sweets such as cookies, squares, and cakes have been donated in the past. All we ask is the following:

The donation must be home made.

The donation is brought in on Friday,

February 25th between 8:30am and 12:00pm.

Please put your goodies on a **disposable plate or platter.**

Participation hours:

1 homemade decorated cake = 1 hour

2 dozens of homemade items such as squares, cookies, cupcakes, or brownies = 1 hour.

****NO MORE THAN 3 Participation hours per family****

*****NO NUT PRODUCTS*****



Carnival Volunteers

If you are interested in helping out, please complete the form below and hand it into the office as soon as possible. Parent volunteers will be arranged on a first come basis. Your child will receive a slip confirming your volunteer time within the next two weeks. We thank you in advance for volunteering to help out at this event. Participation hours are awarded for your time.

Parent's name: _____

Child's name: _____ Grade: _____

I am interested in helping out at the following:

Set up Thursday Feb. 24th 6:30pm

4:00-5:00pm games

5:00-6:15pm games and floaters

6:15-7:30pm games and floaters

7:30-Clean Up after the carnival; decorations taken down, floors swept, washed, garbage taken out, etc.



CAFÉ QUÉBEC

Madame Venetanos' grade 5E French class hosted a class café. They practised ordering and taking orders in our very own restaurant called "Le Café Québec". Many parents came and were immersed quickly in our bilingual café. Thanks to all the parents who donated food etc. and who even tipped our serveurs et serveuses! Merci encore! Bon Appétit!



MOCK STUDENT LED

Grade 7E students helped KE students prepare for student led conferences by posing as parents. This was a great buddy activity.

CARNAVAL DE FATIMA - CLASSROOM BASKETS

This year's carnival is quickly approaching, Friday, February 25th, 2011. The carnival is our school's major community event, providing not only funding for the Grade 7 outdoor education program, but also helping the school's population with needed extras. A large portion of these funds are raised through the Carnival's Silent Auction. In order to make this our biggest and most successful auction yet, we are asking each child to bring an item related to the following basket theme that has been assigned to your child's classroom. In your contributions please allow for 2 containers: either large Plastic Totes or Wicker Baskets to hold your donations (2 containers per class).

Kindergarten French - "Children's Arts and Crafts Basket" (crayons, colouring books, playdoh, etc)

Kindergarten English - "Family Games Basket" (bingo, puzzles, cards, board games, etc.)

Grade 1F - "Cake and Cookie Basket" (baking pans, cake mixes, cookie cutters, rolling pins, etc.)

Grade 1E - "Educational Books and Toys Basket"

Grade 2F - "Wine Basket" (Bottles of wine or Champagne, etc.)

Grade 2E - "Summer Fun/Canada Day Basket" (Bubbles, beach toys, chalk, flags, etc.)

Grade 3F - "Movie Basket" (movies, gift certificates, popcorn, chocolate, etc.)

Grade 3E - "Scrapbooking Basket" (paper, stickers, cutters, scissors, etc.)

Grade 4F - "BBQ Basket" (oven mitts, cookbooks, utensils, sauces, etc.)

Grade 4E - "Wine Basket" (Bottles of wine, etc.)

Grade 5/6F - "Religious Basket" (bible, rosary, religious books, etc.)

Grade 5E - "Father's Day Basket" (Books, fishing supplies, ties, tools, etc.)

Grade 7F - "Spa Basket" (hand lotions, creams, bath beads, gift certificates, etc.)

Grade 6E - "Valentine's Basket" (chocolates, hearts, cards, candles, etc.)

Grade 7E - "Sports Basket" (balls, hats, Team Jersey, etc.)

These items will be packaged into a beautiful basket and auctioned off at the Carnival's Silent Auction. Please help to make your child's class basket a great success by dropping off an item to the classroom. Thanks in advance for your support and help from the Grade 7 students, their teachers and the Carnival Committee!



JOAN WEST MEMORIAL CONCERT SERIES

Our Lady of Fatima Parish, is presenting a series of musical concerts, Saturday, February 19. There will be several concerts with guests such as The Kabok String Orchestra, piano virtuoso Kevin Wong, The Corpus Christi College Choir, Ablaze Chamber Orchestra and Choir. Tickets for the entire series are only \$50 and are available at the Fatima parish office 604-936-2525 or after the weekend Masses at the church. Tickets for the individual concerts (\$20) and the series will also be available at the door.