



St. John Brebeuf School Connection

Living, Learning, Serving in Christ

October 2011

Virtue: Helpfulness

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians,
Blessings to everyone in our St. John Brebeuf School Community as we embark on another year of living, learning and serving in Christ. This year, we welcome 53 new students and their families, along with new staff members, **Ms. Lindsay Craig** (Gr. 6) and **Ms. Tasia Geras** (Music).

Our staff kicked off the school year with Mass and a delicious pancake breakfast prepared for us by Knights of Columbus members, **Mike Garlinski, Lawrie Caron, Bob Girouard, Dan Shepherd and Omer DeWandel**. We thank them for their hard work! Our day continued with a reflection on servant leadership led by **Fr. Mark** and our new Parish Pastoral Associate, **Mr. Tom Bailey-Robertson**.

On September 13, we began our school day celebrating Mass with the School. A special thanks to **Mrs. Rosina McClintock** and the grade 8 students for their active ministry involvement.

Our Meet the Teacher Night, September 21 was well attended. Thanks to our Parent Council for providing refreshments and snacks.

October 3 to 5, we will once again be collecting donations of non-perishable food items for Winnipeg Harvest. Collected items will be displayed at our next Mass with the School, October 6 at 9:00 am, and all are welcome to join us.

As part of the grade 7 and 8 religion program, students will participate in an overnight retreat, October 19 to 20 at Camp Assiniboia. Special thanks to **Mrs. McClintock** for organizing the event, as well as facilitator, **Mr. Tom Bailey-Robertson**. Thanks also to **Mr. Hunt**, along with **Mrs. Steeds, Mr. Zadro, Mr. Verras, Mr. Scerbo, Mr. Boaler, Mr. Gowdar**, our parent supervisors.

On October 24, at 2:00 pm in the Gym, new students and staff will be inducted into one of the four St. John Brebeuf School Houses: Domus Spei (House of Hope), Domus Fidei (House of Faith), Domus Caritatis (House of Love), and Domus Veritatis (House of Truth). All new students and staff will receive a House T-shirt and

be formally welcomed with the singing of each House's song. Parents are welcome to attend and take pictures.

We were pleased to receive a donation of \$500 from our 2010-2011 Graduating Class, as well as a donation of \$1000 from a grade 8 grad parent, which will go toward our gym climbing wall fundraiser. The estimated cost of the wall which will measure 20 feet long by 8 feet wide, will be \$5000, including installation and taxes. Funds will be raised during the 2011-2012 school year with projected installation by the end of the school year.

Due to the scope of renovations taking place in the school over the summer months, we have had to delay the installation of the Building Tomorrow Together handprint tiles. Currently, we are in the final stages of the school library and multi-purpose room renovations. A special blessing of our renovated space will take place in the very near future. It is our hope that Archbishop James Weisgerber will be here for this special celebration. An e-blast with details will be sent out to all parents in the upcoming weeks.

Over recent months, our Parent Council has provided one outdoor basketball net for the playground, and facilitated the purchase of additional SMARTBoards for our classrooms, bringing our total to 13. The library SMARTBoard has recently arrived, but we are in need of a sponsor to fund a SMARTBoard for the Music Room. If you can help, please contact me at 489-2115 (Ext 242) or carreiro@sjbcommunity.ca

Due to some supplier delays, we have not yet received the entire school uniform order. We are currently making every effort to get our orders processed and delivered. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.

A reminder to parents to review and follow the map for drop-off and pick-up for students that was included in your recent mailing. Please do not park on Renfrew St., as this is strictly for drop-off and pick-up, and all parents are asked to remain in your vehicles. The SAFETY of our children is everyone's responsibility. During school hours, all parents and students are asked to enter and exit through the school, *not* the church.

Thanksgiving Blessings, Mrs. Laura Carreiro, Principal

In the event of a severe winter storm, all Catholic Schools will close if the Winnipeg Metro School Divisions close their schools. Listen for school closures on CBC, 99.9 BOB FM, 94.3 CURVE FM, CJOB, 102 CLEAR FM, AND HOT 103 FM. In case of an emergency that requires us to evacuate, students will go to Ecole J.B. Mitchell. The parent in charge of each class will call the other parents using the Emergency Response Phone Tree.

FROM FATHER MARK

I remember very clearly, as a child, the last night before Labour Day weekend was over; that feeling that summer holidays were over and that with the coming of fall was the return to school. It is interesting to experience this as an adult. I watched during the summer how quiet things became once school was out and how things built to the crescendo of the first day of school. I think it is the returning to a normal pace and routine that is the best part of the new school year; the cycle, the expectation and the comfort of the day-to-day life within St. John Brebeuf Community.

God, who created us in His image and likeness, has instilled within each one of us an appreciation of the cycle. We see it in the recognition of the signs of fall, the hint of winter and the longing for spring. We see it in the children growing "in wisdom and in years" (Luke 2:52). We feel it as the great milestones of the cycle of life take place. We celebrate it when we step back and give proper due to the author of life.

As we begin this school year and take our place in the cycle of day-to-day life we are reminded that as members of St. John Brebeuf School, what we learn here is more than academics – but faith, charity, compassion and respect. I hope that each family ensures that the lessons of faith, so gently and lovingly entrusted to your children by our amazing teachers, translates into practice of the faith on the Lord's Day. The cycle God gives us has built in it the Day of the Lord – the Sunday. I pray that this is a day that allows us to step away from the busyness and the many activities that we are involved in, to spend some time as Church to be re-created... to get ready for another great week.

Please know of my prayers and admiration.



Father Mark Tarrant
Pastor

SCHOOL BOARD

The School Board is excited to be back preparing for another excellent year.

Under the guidance of Father Mark, the School Board is responsible for the proper governance and mission fulfillment of St John Brebeuf School. Our efforts focus on operation and policy issues, school finances, and planning.

The board reflects a well-balanced group of current and former parents as well as individuals with considerable education and professional experience. This year's returning directors include the co-chairs John Osler and Mariella Di Santo. Directors at large include Deacon Joe McClelland, Margaret Kingdon, John De Pape, Andrew Brimble; Kirstin Stokes-Smith, Ryan Hart, Kristi Cumming, and three new board members, Shannon Roberts, Andrea LeBlanc and Phil Samyn. A special thank you to John Proven and Michael Johnson for their years of service with the School Board.

The board is dedicated to the community of St. John Brebeuf and anticipates a productive year.

Welcome back!

Ms. Mariella Di Santo and Mr. John Osler
Co-Chairs

School Board Members 2011-2012

Fr. Mark Tarrant, Pastor
Mrs. Laura Carreiro, Principal
Ms. Mariella Di Santo, Co-Chair
Mr. John Osler, Co-Chair
Mrs. Margaret Kingdon
Deacon Joe McClelland
Mr. Andrew Brimble
Mrs. Kirstin Stokes-Smith
Mr. Ryan Hart
Mrs. Kristi Cumming
Mr. Phil Samyn
Ms. Andrea LeBlanc
Mrs. Shannon Roberts

EN FRANÇAIS!

Bonjour! St. John Brebeuf School is excited to present Jacques Chénier (or Jake Chenier) in concert to the K-4 French classes. The concert will take place on Thursday October 13 at 1 p.m. in the school gym. Jacques Chénier is a Franco-Manitoban artist, and he will be coming to our school with his hour-long presentation of popular original French songs for Basic French students.

We will be previewing Jacques' award winning songs in French class prior to the concert. The cost of the concert is being sponsored by the school. Parents and younger siblings are welcome to attend.

See you on October 13th!

Ms. Holly Dandonneau
French Teacher



PARENT COUNCIL

Welcome back...2011-2012 is off to a great start!

Meet the Teacher was held last week and it was wonderful to see so many parents come out. Thursday Lunches began September 22nd with Subway Day. Kids enjoyed their first Cookie Day on September 21st, with all cookies being supplied by Sweet Impressions, a local 100% nut free bakery.

Our fundraising program this year, "MIND BODY and SOUL" aims to raise \$15,000 to purchase a climbing wall for the gymnasium and instruments for the music program. QSP Magazines have been completed – thanks for your support! Watch for our Bothwell Cheese/Farm to School fundraiser to be held in October. If you prefer, voluntary tax deductible donations are welcome.

There has been a great response to the Volunteer Forms, however if you weren't able to send in your form, it's never too late to get involved. Additional forms are available at the School Office and on the school website (www.sjbcommunity.ca). Thank you to all of those who have indicated that they would like to volunteer. The Parent Council will be in contact with you.

We look forward to a great school year.

Kristi Cumming & Tricia Precourt
SJB Parent Council Chair & Vice Chair

Parent Council Members 2011-2012

Mrs. Kristi Cumming, Chair
Mrs. Jennifer Moncrieff, Past Chair
Mrs. Tricia Precourt, Vice-Chair
Mrs. Danielle Savage, Secretary
Mrs. Andrea LeBlanc, Treasurer
Mrs. Lisa Heimbecker, Fundraising Chair
Mrs. Jodie Smith, Volunteer Coordinator
Mrs. Andrea Hall, Bingo Coordinator
Mrs. Nicky Gerwing, Cookie Day Coordinator
Mrs. Lidia Erickson, Thursday Lunch/Freezie Fridays Coordinator



Members at large: Mrs. Maria Arruda, Mrs. Alison Ashcroft, Mrs. Christine Care, Mrs. Simone Lambos, Mrs. Mavis Marshall, Mrs. Tracey McConachie, Mrs. Shannon Roberts, Mrs. Sandy Sykes, Mrs. Michelle Thorsteinson

Welcome new members: Mrs. Paula Chorney, Mrs. Brandy Ellerbrock, Mrs. Andrea Hall and Mrs. Vinita Pandey

Thanks to the following Parent Council members for all of their hard work over the years: Ms. Michelle Barry, Mr. Larry Blanchard, Mrs. Raffaella Fiorentino, Mrs. Sonia-Lanctôt-Blanchard, Mrs. Aideen Nash, Mr. Kieran Savage, and Mrs. Laura Ziemanski.

If you would like to be a member of the Parent Council, please contact Kristi Cumming at sjbpc@sjbcommunity.ca

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

Some exciting changes to this music room to start this year. We have a lovely new carpet that serves as a giant living workspace where students can become notes on the staff and they see gorgeous representations of music symbols.



We have also purchased some alto recorders, a tenor recorder and some African drums. I can't wait to be able to introduce the drums to the students. The first song we all learned this year is a welcome song from Ghana called "Funga Alafia". All classes have learned the song but the grade 5 and 6 students are also learning it on recorder and xylophones.

Even though it is early October, we will start rehearsing songs for the Christmas concert very soon. We will be starting a **Senior Performance Choir** (5-8) and a **Junior Performance Choir** (3,4) as well as starting up a guitar/ukelele club (3-8).

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STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council 2011-2012

President	Pietro Cianflone
Vice President	Ablel Tewedle
Secretary/ Treasurer	Eyala Doumbe
Grade 7 Reps	David Abad & Serena McClintock
Grade 6C Reps	Ben Wintemute & Aislynn McIsaac
Grade 6W Reps	Tyler Frizzle & Victoria Young
Grade 5B Reps	John Moncrieff & Alyssa Iskierski
Teacher Advisors	Mrs. R. McClintock Mlle. H. Dandonneau Mr. R. Wiebe



Student Council News

We would like to welcome everyone back to school, and let you know we are hard at work planning events and activities for all students and staff. We encourage your participation and hope you enjoy your year at SJB. To begin we have listed below our colour days, more events, information and dates to follow.

List of Colour Days

October 31st- Black/Orange day
November 18th –Sports Day
December 22nd -Christmas Colours (Red,Green,White)
January 25th- Wacky Hair day
February 14th-Pink, Red, White Day
March 16th- St. Patrick's Day-wear green, shamrocks
April 20th- Blast from the Past
May 24th- Backwards Day
June 8th- Beach Day

The SJB Student Council is responsible for selling milk at lunch time to our students, looking after the drink machine, collecting tabs, taking care of the recycling program, and organizing school dances and other activities.

Bag Up Manitoba Challenge

Once again St. John Brebeuf School and its students, teachers and parents will be joining the fourth annual Bag Up Manitoba Challenge which occurs between September 26th, 2011 through to October 29, 2011.



From September 26th until October 29th, each student is asked to collect as many clean plastic shopping bags as they can and bring them into the school to be recycled. Our goal is to collect at least 20 000 bags in order to win one of the 14 top schools awards and then be able to receive a park bench made from recycled plastic bags.

Happy collecting!
SJB Student Council

SCHOOL PATROLS

Welcome to another school year! Last May and June a group of students in Grade 5 signed up to be patrols for the new school year. They have dedicated themselves to patrolling the back lane in the morning as well as after school every day.

Not only have they given up time in the morning and after school, they have also freely given many lunch hours for training and meetings to ensure that things run smoothly.

Along with the Grade 6 students, there is a group of parents who have given of their time after school to better ensure everyone's safety. I am very pleased to announce this year's patrols and parent supervisors:

Patrols

Victoria Young	Matthew Hedden
Camilla Ticzon	Aislynn McIsaac
Amber Reichardt	Quinn Mackay
Cameron Armstrong	Andrew Chau
Sophie George	Andrew De Pape
Julia Cantafio	Angelica Buccini
Trey Garlinski	Emilie Lewis
Meredith Cumming	Trenton Smith
Camryn Kangas	Claire Sagan
Elke Hasselmann	Sarah Moire
Bryan Nieva	Alexander Stefanets

Parent Supervisors

Mrs. Hart	Mrs. George
Mrs. Hasselmann	Mrs. Cantafio

Thank you everyone for all of your support! I know this will be a wonderful year!

Miss Viselli
Patrol Coordinator



LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome back to another year at St. John Brebeuf School. We are excited to be opening up our newly renovated Library. I encourage students and

families to come for a visit to see our brand new space. We have added a reading nook for the younger students and have lighter, brighter shelving and décor. A great big thank you to Mrs. Dobson, Mrs. Marshall, and Mrs. Xavier in helping with unpacking our books.

I have started our new library program as well. The younger students have been learning the Super 3 process of finding information and you may catch your little one singing "Plan, Do, and Review!"

The older students are learning the Big 6 process which is the Super 3 for "big kids." This will help guide them through a problem solving process that will assist them in finding and using information.

I would also like to draw your attention to the St. John Brebeuf School Birthday Book Program. This is your opportunity to donate a book to the library in honour of your child's birthday. The celebrations will take place on the first school day of the month of your child's birthday. For more information, please go to the link on the school webpage or contact Mrs. Poirier in the Library.

The Library Crew of student volunteers will be helping out in the library again this year. The Crew is made up of grade 5 & 6 students who volunteer to participate. They keep the books shelved and the shelves organized and tidy.

I would also welcome any parents or family members who would like to volunteer in the library. We could use help shelving, labeling books, repairing books, assisting during library class, and helping students check out books, and assisting with the Book Fair in November. If you would like to volunteer in the library please contact Mrs. Poirier in the library (ext. 239).

Mrs. Poirier, Library Technician

PIANO & GUITAR LESSONS

A limited number of spaces are available for private piano and guitar lessons during the After School Program.

Piano: Mon-Thurs, 3:30-5:30 pm

Guitar: Mon., 3:30-5:30 pm

To register, contact Shawn or Laurie: Academy of Music, 786-1704, academyofmusic@shaw.ca



ROOTS OF EMPATHY

For more than 12 years across Canada and internationally, thousands of children are learning respect and care for one another with the lessons started through their Roots of Empathy baby. Roots of Empathy

teaches children about feelings, their own feelings, and the feelings of others. Once a month, baby Sophie and her parents will visit the grade 4 classroom. The ROE instructor, Margaret Lafreniere will gather the children in the classroom around a green blanket and together they will watch the baby grow.

The children predict and cheer when their ROE baby reaches the 'developmental milestones' of the first year: "She can roll over!" "She got her first tooth!" "She can sit up!" "She can crawl!!"

The children will be coached in observing the baby and reading the cues the baby gives as to how the baby is feeling: "Is the baby happy or sad?" "How can you tell?" And we use this discussion as a lever for the children to talk about their own emotions and to understand how their classmates feel: "Do you smile when you're happy?" "How can you tell if your friend is happy?"

Being able to understand how other people are feeling is called **empathy**. Mrs. Lafreniere also visits the classroom before and after each Family Visit to prepare and reinforce teachings using a specialized lesson plan for each visit.

Mrs. Margaret Lafreniere



Roots of Empathy
Racines de l'empathie

SJB CLASSROOM CONNECTION

Kindergarten: <http://sjbkindergarten.pbworks.com>

Grade 1V: <http://sjbgrade1v.pbworks.com>

Grade 1W: <http://sjbwolfe.pbworks.com>

Grade 2: <http://sjbgrade2.pbworks.com>

Grade 3C: <http://grade3campbell.pbworks.com>

Grade 3P: <http://sjbpolakoff.pbworks.com>

Grade 4: <http://sjbgrade4m.pbworks.com>

Grade 5: <http://sjbmsballa.pbworks.com>

Grade 6C: <http://mscraigsggrade6class.wetpaint.com>

Grade 6W: <http://misswaroway.pbworks.com>

Grades 7 & 8: <http://sjb7and8studies.pbworks.com>

French: <http://sjbfrench.pbworks.com>

Music: <http://sjbmusic.wikispaces.com>

Athletics: <http://sjbathletics.pbworks.com>

Computer: <http://sjbcomputers.pbworks.com>

Library: <http://sjblibrary.pbworks.com>

ST. JOHN BREBEUF BOBCAT BEAT



Physical Education

Welcome back students and families of the St. John Brebeuf community! I hope everyone had a restful and safe summer. The first week back to physical education had all students playing a series of low organized games. During the first few months, students from grades K – 4 will be developing their basic movement skills. We have tested their Run in September and then moved to the two-footed Jump which will be tested in October. We also focus on the one-footed Hop. For this month, students in grades 5 – 8 will be learning the rules and skills required for Flag Football and developing their understanding of Volleyball.

As the gym uniforms arrive, (at last) please help your children with being prepared for Physical Education by having their crested gym shorts and shirts along with non-marking running shoes in a labeled gym bag. Please do not send casual "Crocs" or "skater" shoes; they do not provide adequate support. Also please remember to write your child's first and last name somewhere inside their clothing. If students forget to bring these items to class, a blue or yellow uniform sheet will go home with them for you to sign. Please have your child return the sheet to me the next day for my records and so that I know you have received it. Parents please make sure students are dressed for the weather as some classes will be held outside.

Volleyball

Our boys and girls volleyball teams have been selected. Congratulations to all students for making the team! Mr. Bueti, Mr. Hunt and Mr. Josh Zaporzan ('08) will be coaching the competitive boys teams. Ms. Craig and Ms. Balla will be coaching the girls. Thanks to the great interest in volleyball this year, a third boys team coached by Mr. Wiebe and Mr. Polakoff have been included in the developmental league as well.

Developmental Boys Team	Competitive Boys Team	Girls Team
Yousef Taguri	Luke Thille	Kiara Calista
Daniel Nguyen	Ablel Tewelde	Sophie George
Luca DiSanto	Michael Demarin	Angelica Buccini
Ben Wintemute	James Young	Sarah Moir
Chris Anderson	Kieran Guttormson	Senna Scerbo
Tyler Frizzel	Ben Plett	Victoria Young
Andrew Chau	Liam Reimer	Amber Reichardt
Shane Simoens	Liam Tessier	Kathryn Roberts
Christopher Ethans	Sam Duncan	Sydney Maconachie
Matthew Hedden	Brendan Balciunas	Emma Simpson
	Karam Chatha	Cameron Armstrong
	Duncan Gowler	Meredith Cumming
	Owen Briscoe	Camryn Kangas
	Simon DePasquale	Serena McClintock
	Joseph Thille	Catea McLeod
	Jim Peterson	Eyala Doumbe
	Eric Samyn	
	Drew DePape	
	Trey Garlinski	

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BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE (BASC)

The St. John Brebeuf School Before and After School Care program is intended for students of parents whose working schedules do not allow them to pick up students at the end of the school day. Unfortunately, we do not have space to accommodate students outside of the program who wish to stay and play after school.

SUPERVISORS

Ms. Barry is our morning supervisor. Her duties commence at 7:30 am. Please do not drop off students prior to that time. When dropping off your child, please accompany your child into the building to sign in for the day. We also ask that you do not send breakfast for your child to eat at school.

Our afternoon supervisors include **Ms. Kelly, Mrs. Moreau, Mrs. Vasquez, Ms. Cianflone** and **Ms. Barry**. Supervision is provided until 5:30 pm daily. Parents picking up their child after this time will be charged \$5.00 per 10-minute increment of late time. Please come to the Library to sign out when come to pick up your child after school. If you do not see your child in the Library, please check the playground or Gym to meet your child.

The School Office closes at 4:00 pm. Those wishing to communicate with an After School Supervisor after this time should call **489-2115 (Ext. 239)**. Please do not leave phone messages, as they won't be checked until the next school day.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Please provide post-dated cheques, dated to the first day of each month for the entire school year (Sept. to June) to Ms. Graeili in the Parish Office. Payment can be made by Visa or MasterCard. **Payment is required for the full session, and no credit can be issued should you choose not to use a session.** Income tax receipts are provided for the calendar year in January.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

In the event of an emergency, the number one priority is the safety of our students. In the case of a fire alarm or other needs for evacuation, the supervisor(s) will instruct the students to evacuate the building through the nearest, most appropriate exit. Attendance will be taken. If the evacuation will last for an extended period of time, the program will re-locate to Ecole J.B. Mitchell School where the administrator will provide a suitable space for our students. If J. B. Mitchell is closed and the temperature is colder than -27 degrees C., public transit will be contacted to provide buses to house the students until parents arrive.

In the event of a lock down situation, the supervisor(s) will ensure that all students are accounted for. The doors to the Library will be closed and locked, window blinds will be closed, and the students will be gathered in a safe location away from the doors and windows. The supervisor(s) will use their discretion in calling 911 and seeking emergency assistance.

BEHAVIOUR

Behaviour issues will be dealt with by the supervisor(s). From time to time, the Principal may be involved in resolving behaviour incidents. Students may be temporarily removed from the program, or in certain situations, be asked to leave the program for the rest of the school year.

EARLY DISMISSALS

During early dismissals for Staff Meetings (once per month) and Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences, After School care will start at 2:00 pm at no extra cost. **Staff meetings** are scheduled for **Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6, Jan. 10, Feb. 7, March 6, April 3, May 1 and June 5.** **Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences** will be held **Nov. 24 and March 23.** Please note that there will be **no After School Care on the last day before each holiday break (Dec. 22, March 23 and June 28).**

Mrs. Laura Carreiro, Principal

STAPLES

STAPLES REWARDS PROGRAM

that was easy.sm You can help earn rewards points for our school when you shop at Staples! Simply mention that you are from St. John Brebeuf School (SJB) at the check-out counter.

Staples will then apply your purchase amount to our St. John Brebeuf School easyRewards account!

got milk?

Pre-paid ticket system: Sheets of tickets can be purchased through the School Office between 8:00-8:30 am, and 11:30-12:00 Noon daily.

BOBCAT BEAT

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Competitive Boys Volleyball Game Schedule 2011

All games are from 4:00 – 5:00pm.

October 3	SJB2 @ SJB1
October 5	SJB1 @ Christ the King
October 5	SJB2 @ Holy Cross
October 12	Westgate @ SJB1
October 17	Linden Christian @ SJB1
October 19	St. Maurice @ SJB2
October 24	SJB1 @ St. Maurice
October 24	St. Gerard @ SJB2
October 26	SJB1 @ St. Ignatius
October 26	SJB2 @ Christ the King
October 31	Linden Christian @ SJB2
November 7	SJB2 @ St. Ignatius
November 14	Holy Cross @ SJB1
November 16	SJB1 @ St. Emile
November 16	St. Charles @ SJB2
November 21&23	Playoffs
November 25	Semi-Finals
November 26	Final

Competitive Boys Practice Schedule 2011 (tentative)

3:30- 5:30pm

October: 6th, 13th, 21st, 27th
November: 2nd, 4th, 10th, 15th, 18th, 22nd, 24th
Plus Lunch practices on Game days

Girls Volleyball game schedule is as follows:

All games are from 4:00 – 5:00pm

October 3	Girls @ St. Emile
October 11	Westgate @ Girls
October 18	St. Charles @ Girls
October 25	Holy Cross @ Girls
November 1	Girls @ St. Ignatius
November 10	Girls @ Christ the King

All girls practices are Wednesday and Thursday mornings 7:30 – 8:30 am, October – November 17.

Cross Country

Our Cross Country team competed in the 19th Annual St. Maurice School Cross Country Meet held at Crescent Drive Park on September 21st. Students from grades 6 – 8 competed against other students from both public and private schools in a 3 km race. Please see next month's newsletter for the results and more information to come.

Mr. D. Bueti
Physical Education

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

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Watch for dates for our first meetings! If you have any questions or suggestions, please send me an e-mail at geras@sjbcommunity.com

Ms. Tasia Geras
Music Teacher

GRADE 7 & 8 RETREAT

As part of the SJB Grade 7 and 8 Religion program, students will participate in an overnight retreat, Wednesday, October 19 to Thursday October 20 at Camp Assiniboia located at 2220 Lido Plage Rd., Cartier, Manitoba.

Students will spend two days together outside of the classroom setting with the focus on why it is important to be part of a Christian Community and how they can create and participate actively in one.

The retreat is being coordinated by Mrs. McClintock, Grade 8 teacher. Assisting Mrs. McClintock with activities and supervising the students will be Mr. Hunt, the Grade 7 teacher.

A closing Mass by Fr. Mark Tarrant will end the Retreat on Friday October 20th.

Please pray for our Grade 7 and 8 students and our retreat team as they journey together in faith.

Mrs. McClintock
Grade 8 Teacher

OCTOBER OUTREACH

In celebration of the virtue of Helpfulness for the month of October, we are



encouraging all students to bring non-perishable food items (i.e. powdered or tinned milk, iron-fortified formula, juices, tinned beans, fish and meats, tinned fruit and vegetables, soups and chunky soups, cereals, etc.) for Winnipeg Harvest from Oct. 3-5. There will be a table set up in the foyer of the school.

SJB WALKS THE WALK

On Thursday, September 29, St. John Brebeuf Students put their best feet forward as they raised funds for cancer research at the Terry Fox Walk. Last year, our school raised \$1,667.25. Since 2005, St. John Brebeuf students have contributed \$7,164.43 to this important cause. Thanks to Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Viselli, Mr. Bueti for organizing the assembly and the walk. Way to go, SJB!



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