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IMPORTANT DATES:

PA DAY - JUNE 28TH

**CLASS ASSIGNMENTS
AUGUST 28TH AND 29TH
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

**FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
SEPTEMBER 3RD, 2019**

SIMCOE MUSKOKA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



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THROUGH LOVE AND SERVICE”**

SCHOOL YEAR WRAP UP

As with every new school year, we welcome new staff and say good-bye to others. At this time, we would like to acknowledge several individuals that will be leaving us at the end of June: Ms. Hight, Ms. Severino, and Ms. Donkor, and Ms. Capicotto who were filling in for staff on leave. We would like to thank each of them for their hard work and dedication to St. Marie of the Incarnation Catholic School and wish them well at their new schools in September. In September, we will be welcoming Ms. Coelho (Office Administrator Assistant), Ms. Nimpo (E.A.), Ms. McInerney (DECE), Ms. Resendes (DECE) and Ms. Takacs (DECE).

Ms. Gillies and Ms. Buchowski will be retiring at the end of this school year. These two ladies have been long standing members of the St. Marie of the Incarnation Catholic community. Please be sure to thank them and wish them well, as they were both instrumental in the creation of the great learning environment we have today for your children!!

A special congratulations goes out to Ms. Jeffries, who was named the Vice-Principal at Monsignor Ronan for the 2019 – 2020 school year. Our school community wishes you all the best. You will be missed.

A special thank you goes out to our lunch hour supervisors for their dedicated service and patience with our little Mustangs.

Finally, I would like to thank the members of our Catholic School Community Council and volunteers who have worked tirelessly throughout the year as an advocacy group and a voice for all parents. They have helped to raise funds to purchase many items for our students. We are very blessed in this community to have such a dedicated group of parents and volunteers. Their continued support and commitment has greatly influenced the learning environment of our students. On behalf of our students and families, thank you.

A MESSAGE FROM PARENT COUNCIL

If you are interested in becoming a member of the School Council next year, nomination forms can be picked up in the school office, or you can also go to our website under the council section to print off a form. Council meetings are open to all parents.

Our next meeting will be on September 16th, at 6:00 pm in the library. Everyone is welcome.



LIBRARY NEWS

All library books should be returned to the library by the end of the school year. Overdue notices will be sent out to students who have books signed out and the fines will be noted. If the book(s) are not returned and/or the fines are not paid to the school, your child will not be allowed to sign out a library book during the 2019/20 academic year.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If you have not yet registered your child for kindergarten, it is not too late. All of the information forms that you require to register your child for kindergarten at St. Marie of the Incarnation School have been posted on our school website.

We are here to answer questions and help you prepare. Please contact us at **905-775-3492** for more information.

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ARE YOU MOVING?

If you are moving out of the St. Marie of the Incarnation boundary area this summer, please notify the school office ASAP. This will help in our planning for next year.

SCHOOL DAY REGISTRATION

Thank you to the many families who have already registered for school day. We are almost at 100% registered. Once signed in, you will be able to order and pay for products and activities, register for activities and events, approve permission forms and order and pay for food options on-line. Login to www.school-day.com and use the "Secure Match Key" sent home with your child. If you have misplaced the letter or are having any difficulties, please call the school.

MEDICATION

Medication that has been kept in the school office will need to be picked up in the main office by June 27th. Please return this medication prior to the start of the school year.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

The Safe Schools Act requires that all schools enforce student safety. One of the measures in place is having all volunteers do a CBC (Criminal Background Check) and Vulnerability Screening. Just as all employees of our school board have CBC's and Vulnerability Screening, we require the same for all volunteers. Volunteering includes: going on field trips, driving students to sporting events, and helping in the classrooms or school.

If you do not have one on file, please come to the office to pick up a form. These applications take from 2 to 6 weeks for the South Simcoe Police to process. Thank you for your support in this matter.



GO MUSTANGS GO!

Thank you to all of our staff who have provided multiple opportunities for students to be involved in various clubs and sporting activities. Students are very fortunate to have the opportunity to participate in so many fun and exciting activities. Remember to listen to announcements in September to see what new things will be offered.

SEPTEMBER CLASS ASSIGNMENTS AND OPENING DAY PROCEDURES FOR SEPTEMBER

In order to eliminate the parking congestion on the first day of school, class assignments will once again be available **BEFORE** the first day of school. There will be two opportunities for you to come to the school to see which class your child is in:

Wednesday, **August 28th** and Thursday, **August 29th** from **8:30 am – 10:00 am**.

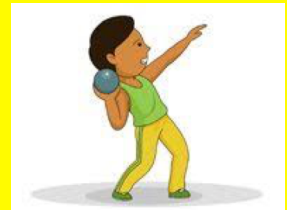
These will be the **ONLY** times this information will be given out. **We will NOT give out class assignments over the phone. Also, we will only give the name of the classroom teacher to the legal parent or guardian of the child.** If you cannot make it during these times then you will need to wait until the first day of school. As always, these class lists are temporary until the school numbers are confirmed at the end of September. It is also for this reason that **changes will not be made** during the first few weeks.

Please note that the first day of classes for the 2019 – 2020 year is Tuesday, September 3rd, 2019. **JK students** will have a staggered entry. Letters will be mailed to JK parents in July to inform you of your child's class visit date with the teacher and DECE, and the start date. **SK students** will meet in the kindergarten yard on the first day of school to be greeted by their classroom and DECE teachers.

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Grade 1-8 students will assemble in the large yard area. Teachers will gather students by grade level, designated by signs in the schoolyard. In the event of rain, this will be done in the gym and hallways.

Parents are welcome in the yard on that first morning only. After that, you must say your good-byes on the sidewalk, Kiss and Ride, or at the gate. Please be aware that there is no parking in the parking lot. It will be very congested on Colborne and surrounding streets. If you live close enough to walk your child to school that day, that would be helpful. Also, once your child has found their teacher please do not linger, as we will need to get as many cars circulating through as possible. Remember that for the safety of ALL students, you are not to park on the west side of Colborne. **It is hoped that by giving out the class assignments early, parents will send their child to school on the bus on the first day or quickly drop them off.**



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KISS AND RIDE

Our “Kiss and Ride” area will not be open the first week of school. It will re-open on **Monday, September 9th, 2019**. Once all of our bus runs have been completed (approximately 8:45), the pylons will be removed from the main entrance. Vehicles are to proceed in the bus unloading area. Students are to get out of the vehicle on the **right side** of the vehicle. Bus patrollers will collect kindergarten students and walk them to the kindergarten yard. **Drivers are to remain in the vehicle at all times. For the safety of the children, vehicles will not be permitted to pass other cars while in the unloading area.** All children must be able to unbuckle their vehicle safety harness and exit the car independently in order to use the Kiss and Ride area.