



New Items:

- Early dismissal Thursday 1:45
- Turkey roasting & carving helpers needed
- Parent Teacher interview bookings
- No Breakfast Program this Friday

Upcoming dates:

Wednesday Oct 9th - PSG Meeting 6pm Kitchen
Thursday Oct 10th - Cross Country Run
Thursday Oct 10th - Open Gym - Pre K & K
Friday Oct 11th - Thanksgiving lunch -
Parents/Guardians welcome!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: It was a joy to spend a good portion of Friday afternoon watching students in gr. 4-7 play soccer against other schools in the area. They did a very good job representing St. Joseph's in how they carried themselves and how they played. Fr. Dennis came to watch and cheer on as well, which was so exciting for the students. Special thanks goes to Mrs. Doyle for spending extra lunch hours with the students practicing and encouraging them and to Muheim for hosting. Parents, there will be another chance to cheer on St. Joseph's this week. Come watch them participate in the annual Cross Country Run on Thursday. St. Joseph's runs this event as a service to the community and Mrs. Polanin has put a lot of work into getting us all organized for this. Also, we are eagerly anticipating the annual Thanksgiving lunch this Friday. Many thanks go to the volunteers who have stepped up to make this happen. Finally, we have been spending our Monday morning assemblies reviewing SHARP, (Safe, Helpful, Accountable, Respectful, Positive) as a way to inspire the students to be a blessing to themselves and each other. When we are out in the community, we hope that the light of Jesus can shine through the students as they model care, compassion and respect for themselves and others. Have a good week!

WASPS IN PLAYGROUND: We have been experiencing an influx of wasp stings at the school the past week. There have been a large amount of wasps on the playground. We are reminding students to be careful when eating their snacks outside as they are attracted to their food. The wasps are also looking for warmth this time of year and have been seen on coats and sweaters that are on the ground. Please check your clothing before putting it back on.

CROSS COUNTRY RUN - EARLY DISMISSAL THIS THURSDAY: We will be dismissing students at **1:45** this Thursday for the Cross Country Run. This will give teachers time to get to their volunteer positions at the run before it starts. We will still have after school supervision outside until **2:20** for those who require it. We are asking that all students be picked up or those who are walking leave the grounds at **2:20** as more staff will be heading down to the run.

CROSS COUNTRY RUN INFO:

For the students who are participating in the run here are a few reminders:

- All racers need to be at Riverside Park by **2:30**. The races begin at **2:45** and will be over by **3:45**.
- Please make sure your child(ren) have proper running shoes and are dressed appropriately for the weather.
- Please send your child(ren) with a full water bottle and a snack.
- If your child(ren) requires an inhaler, please send it.
- There is no parking down in the park. Everyone must park on the road and parking is limited.
- **No rides will be provided by the school. You are responsible for your child(ren)'s transportation to and from Riverside Park.**
- **All racers must be picked up by 3:45.**

OPEN GYM NIGHT - PREK & K FAMILIES:

When: **Thursday Oct 10th 5:30-7:00**

Where: St Joseph's School gym

Who: Students from our Pre K and Kindergarten classes - each child must be accompanied by an adult

What: It is a parent and kid night where games will be played, treats will be offered, and community will be built!

THANKSGIVING LUNCH: We are looking for donations of potatoes and carrots for the Thanksgiving lunch. There is a bin in the foyer this week for any donations. We are also looking for people to help stuff, roast and carve turkeys this Thursday. Please contact the office if you are able to help. The lunch will be held this Friday at 12pm, please feel free to join your child(ren) for lunch.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS: Parent teacher interview will be held **Thursday Oct 17th** from 12-8pm. This event is for Parent/Guardians and teachers only, please do not bring your child to the interview. We will not have any supervision if you bring your child(ren) to play on the school grounds. Each interview will be 15 mins long. Please do not be late and do not go over your allotted time. If you require a longer meeting with your teacher we ask you please schedule it outside of the interview times. The booking link will be emailed out later this week.

CHOCOLATE ALMONDS: Chocolate almonds have arrived! Each case is \$90, which has 30 individual boxes of chocolate almonds, then you sell each box for \$3 each. We accept cash, cheques and e transfers, which can be sent to stjoesetransfers@cispg.ca. If sending an e transfer please, put the last name of the student and 'almonds' in the memo. **We are going to be selling Chocolate Almonds at Safeway on Saturdays for the month of October from 10-2. If you as a family or a child/ren that would like to help sell please contact the office. It is a great way to connect with the community.**

SCHOOL DIRECTORY & STUDENT VERIFICATION FORMS:

A consent form along with student verification forms were sent home last week. Please review your child(ren)'s student verification forms and confirm all contact, emergency contact and medicals information is up to date. Please also complete the school directory consent form and return it to the office. If you did not receive these forms, please contact the office. Your information will not be added to the directory without your consent.

DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER:As the weather changes, this is just a friendly reminder to ensure that children come to school with clothing appropriate for the weather, including rainy days. Unless the rain is really coming down in torrents, children will still go outside when it showers or snows. Fresh air is a good thing!

ABSENT STUDENTS & EMAILS TO THE OFFICE: Please advise the office by email of any absent students, early dismissals, or appointments. Please only use sti@cispg.ca for any office correspondence.

CHURCH NEWS:

Mass: 5pm on Saturday, 9am on Sunday, 5:30 on Tuesday, 9am on Wednesday & Fridays

Private adoration: is welcome at St Joseph's during office hours, Wednesday-Friday 10am -2pm

Flocknote: to get on Flocknote text **SMITHERS to 514-900-0130**

Confessions: are 15 mins before every Mass or by appointment

Sunday School: is offered during the 9am Sunday Mass for children 2 years old until 1st Communion.

PSG NEWS: Next meeting Oct 9th 6 -7 pm - kitchen

Chair - Tanya Flynn

Vice Chair - Carly Rosger

Treasurer - Paula Perestrelo

Secretary - Taryn Opel

2024 Thanksgiving Lunch

Friday, October 11th



We are still looking for volunteers for the following:



Thursday, October 10th

- 8:45 to 11:00 - turkey & stuffing preparation
- 1:30 to 3:00 - carving turkeys

We can always use more volunteers on Friday!

We are also looking for potato and carrot donations! If you can donate, please drop off your donations by Wednesday, Oct. 9th. There will be a drop off bin in the foyer!



Please contact the office to volunteer!

October/November

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	8	9	10 Cross Country Run Early Dismissal 1:45 Open Gym Pre k & K	11 No Mass this week No Breakfast Program Thanksgiving lunch 
14 No School Happy Thanksgiving! 	15	16	17 Parent teacher conferences. Dismissal 12pm	18 All School Mass Gr 5 Reading Early dismissal 12pm
21 Hot Dogs 	22	23	24 Pizza 	25 No School NID
28 Hot Dogs 	29	30	31 Happy Halloween! 	1 Mass Gr 3-7 Gr 3 Reading Mac N Cheese 
4 Hot Dogs 	5	6	7	8 Remembrance Ceremony - Gr 7 Tacos 