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ACTION ITEMS:

- Picture day Oct 3rd
- Breakfast Program Volunteers needed calling Grandparents:)
- Thanksgiving lunch -Volunteers and donations
- Hot dog lunches start the week of Oct 7th
- Terry Fox Run This thursday- 1pm Parents welcome, dress for RAIN!:)
- Chocolate sales- see below selling at Safeway

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

Thank you to everyone who came to the BBQ and Meet the Teacher Night last Wednesday. It was great to see so many people come and, with larger numbers than expected, we were pleased to see that everyone was fed eventually. Now we know! The weather cooperated, which was an added bonus. I want to give special recognition to Nicki Twigge and Joanna Gillies, members of our school's promotion committee, who organized all the food and logistics, to our other volunteers who BBQed, and to our gr. 7 students and parents who helped supervise the children on the playground. It was also clear to me from discussions I had, that it is through the reaching out of fellow parents, newcomers feel welcome. Keep doing what you're doing! I am away this week at a principal's conference in Vancouver. Wishing everyone a good week!

<u>PICTURE DAY</u>: Individual student photos will be on October 3rd, retakes will be November 13th. Class photos will also be taken on November 13th.

HOT LUNCH DESSERT BAKERS NEEDED: The Hot Lunch coordinators are looking for hot lunch bakers. Sign-up for both can be done in advance by email to stjoes.smithers.hotlunch@gmail.com.

<u>THANKSGIVING LUNCH</u>: We are in need of volunteers to help prepare the lunch as well as serve and clean up. Please let the office know if you are able to lend a hand. We are also looking for potato and carrot donations for the dinner. If you would like to donate please bring them to the school the week of Oct 7th. There will be a drop off bin in the foyer.

GRADE 1 ONE ON ONE READERS NEEDED:

Please see this note from Ms Wellington. I am looking for volunteers to read with the grade one students one on one from first thing in the morning for about 45 minutes (the exception being Monday, where the reading would start around 9:30 am due to our assembly). If you, or another family member (aunts, uncles, grandparents) are interested in doing this, please send me an e mail as I would like to get started next week. All volunteers do need to have a criminal record check done with the school first. Once you have completed your criminal record check it is good for five years, so if you did one last year you are ok for grade one as well. Information on how to obtain your criminal record check can be done by calling Mrs. Pelzer at the office at 250-847-9414

MONTHLY PAYMENTS SEPT 15: We have had an issue with completing our pre authorized debits. The payment was taken out yesterday (Sept 24). Please contact the office is there was any issue with that payment coming out.

<u>CHOCOLATE ALMONDS</u>: 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 stjestransfers@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.

<u>PANAGO PIZZA HOT LUNCH - GR 7 FUNDRAISER</u>: The first Pizza hot lunch will be on October 4th. This is a fundraiser for our Grade 7 class year end trip. Orders for Pizza will be taken Wednesday mornings during attendance, we cannot accept any late orders after 3pm. We will have Pepperoni, Hawaiian and Cheese Pizza available to choose from. Pizza's are \$4 for one slice and \$6 for two slices. You can send cash with your child to school or purchase a Pizza card at the office. A single slice card is \$40 and two slice cards are \$60. These cards are only good for the school year, they do not follow the student to the next school year. We can only accept cash or cheque for Pizza cards, we cannot accept e transfers for any of our lunch programs. If you have any questions please contact the office.

<u>BREAKFAST PROGRAM</u>: We are hoping to launch our Breakfast program in October, but we only can with the help of volunteers. We are looking for some volunteers to come together every monday and bake for the program, and some people who are able to do the shopping. We will need volunteers to set up, serve and clean up the breakfast on the day of. Please let the office know if this is something you are able to do, or if you know someone who is interested.

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.

<u>DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER</u>: 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!

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual pancake breakfast on September 29th after Mass in the school gym. Payment is by donation. We hope to see you there!

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:

The first PSG meeting was held last thursday night at 6pm. We were successful in naming a new Chair and Vice Chair. We are happy to announce that Tanya Flynn will be taking the position of Chair! Tanya has been a parent at our school for 11 years and has been a regular PSG meeting attendee and volunteer of the school during those years.

We are also equally excited to announce that Carly Rosger will be taking the position of Vice Chair! Carly has been a parent at our school for the past 6 years. Carly has always been willing to lend a hand and volunteer for our many school events. I think every student in the school is very thankful for her help with getting our Gaga ball pit!

We are very happy to have Paula Perestrelo return as our Treasurer! Paula has done a great job making sure all all our books are organized and everything is documented well.

Last but definitely not least we welcome Taryn Opel to a new position this year, last year she held the Vice Chair position, and this year is taking our beloved role of Secretary! We would also love to extend a big thank you to Monica Perry and Kylee Arpin for stepping up as Chair and Secretary this past year. We are grateful for all your effort in helping and supporting the children and the staff at St Joseph's.

Canadian Dental Care Plan – applications now open for children under 18!

Did you know that poor oral health causes more than two million missed school days per year?

In Canada, 57% of children 6 to 11 years of age have had a cavity, while tooth decay accounts for one-third of all day surgeries performed in hospitals for kids between the ages of 1 and 5.

The **Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP)** helps cover the cost of several oral health care services that can help keep your children's teeth and gums healthy. This includes services such as examinations, cleanings, fluoride application and sealants, and restorative work (fillings).

Applications for the CDCP are now open for children under 18—find out if your child is eligible and apply today at **Canada.ca/dental**.





Smithers Minor Hockey
Association is a long-standing
community-based organization
that is committed to providing
affordable, fun, all inclusive
hockey programs.

We encourage kids of all ages and abilities to join our positive learning atmosphere, to learn the basics of hockey while making new friendships and getting active.



Contacts

Technical Director & Head Coach northernacceleration@gmail.com

SMHA Registrar registrar@smithersminorhockey.com

Female hockey coordinator female@smithersminorhockey.com

SMHA Programs

We provide integrated and female only hockey programs, and encourage kids to join at any age or ability. Structured practices focused on fun activities with skill development.

- Certified coaches
- Sanctioned hockey with the option of tournaments and games
- \$99 for all new registrants
- \$115 for all U7 registrants
- Equipment bank (Borrowed gear)
- Open to athletes ages 4-17
- 2 3 scheduled practices a week
- Open Registration | September to February
- Participation can be casual

Female-Only Hockey

- Open to beginners and experienced members
- 5 to 18 years
- Certified coaches
- Sanctioned hockey with the option of tournaments and games
- \$99 for all registrants
- Equipment bank (equipment to borrow)
- Open to athletes ages 4-17
- 1 scheduled practice a week
- October to March

After School Programs

Open for drop-in participation for SMHA athletes.

- No Cost
- Certified Coaching
- October to March

(Schedule is subject to changes)
Monday 4:15-5:15pm U7-U11 JR Skill Development
Tuesday 3:45-5:00pm U13-U18 SR Skill Development
Wednesday 3:45-5:15pm U7-U18 Shippy Hockey

Wednesday 3:45-5:15pm U7-U18 Shinny Hockey Thursday 4:15-5:15pmU9-U18 Goalie Instructions



September/October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
23	24	25	26	27
			Terry Fox Run	Mass Gr 3-7 Gr 7 Reading
				Orange Shirt Day
30	1	2	3	4
No School			Picture day [Mass Gr 3-7 Grade 5/6 Reading
				Pizza 🥕
7	8	9	10	11
			Cross Country Run	No Mass this week
				Thanksgiving lunch
14	15	16	17	18
No School Happy			Parent teacher conferences.	All School Mass Gr 5 Reading
Thanksgiving!			Dismissal 12pm	Early dismissal 12pm
21	22	23	24	25
				No School NID