# St.Nicholas Weekly News

### JUNE 21ST-25TH, 2021

## DEAR FAMILIES,

This year has been filled with many memories and definitely some challenges. We knew from the outset of this year that there would be many unknowns. I would like to quote motivational speaker Zig Ziglar who said, "F-E-A-R: has two meanings: Forget Everything And Run or Face Everything And Rise. The choice is yours." Our St. Nicholas school community chose to "rise" this year in the face of all the adversity and uncertainty.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support this year. The partnership between home and school is so vital and integral to student success. The trust you put in us to guide and grow your children is truly appreciated. I would also like to thank our hard working and caring staff members who have made a huge difference this year with our students. Their commitment is outstanding, and I am so grateful for all their efforts. We wish our grade 4s much success as they move on to middle school, and look forward to seeing all of our returning students in the fall.

Loving God, we praise and thank you for the many blessings that we have shared together as a school community throughout this school year. May we continue to grow in faith and grow in Christ.

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:17

Wishing you all a safe, relaxing and restful summer!

Peter Rachmistruk

#### 2021-2022 School Year Update

• Please note, you will receive an email from your child's classroom teacher at the end of August indicating which homeroom they have been placed in. There are some expected movements/additions over the summer and we want to gather as a staff in August to ensure we place students in the best possible learning environment to ensure a successful school year.

• Parents will receive their child's school supply list in an email this week. School supply lists will be generic so as to not create confusion. Parents will have the option to purchase all school supplies through the "Staples School Tools" program or to purchase supplies on their own. School supply lists are also available on our website.

• Staggered entry - We will be having a staggered entry for all classes to start the 2021-2022 school year. Staggered entry dates will be held on Wednesday, September 1 and Thursday, September 2 (your child will attend school on one of these days). At the end of August, your child's homeroom teacher will be communicating which dates your child will attend.

#### Staffing 2021-2022 school year:

Principal - Mr. Peter Rachmistruk

Assistant Principal/Grade 4 English - Mrs. Barb Rafuse

Secretary - Ms. Simone Dubuc

Collaborative Response Coordinator - Ms. Yasmin Akhtar

Family Wellness Worker - Ms. Allison Norrie

Librarian - Mrs. Aubin Pawl-Nixon

Kindergarten (Eng./Ukr.) - Mrs. Irene Sombyk

Grade 1 (English)/Chaplain - Mrs. Joclyn Beliveau

Grade 2 English - Mrs. Ronda Stychyshyn

Grade 2/3 English - Mrs. Kalin Spooner

Grade 3 English - Mrs. Katie Nestorowich

\* Grade 4 English - Mrs. Lindsey LeBel/Mrs. Barb Rafuse

\* Students will be in two classes for some subjects

\*Grade 1 Ukrainian - Mrs. Erin Dziwenko

\*Grade 2 Ukrainian - Mrs. Lindsay Baugh

\* Some subjects will be taught in a combined grade 1/2 Ukr. class and a grade 2 Ukr. class

Grade 3 Ukrainian - Mrs. Tara Malko

Grade 4 Ukrainian/Music - Mrs. Oksana Cokan

Grade 1/2/4 Ukrainian - Mrs. Tanya Hyshka

Educational Assistant - Mrs. Murielle Clarke

Educational Assistant - Mrs. Cathy Kennard

Educational Assistant - Mrs. Shabana Mohammad

Educational Assistant - Ms. Fran Gibson

Custodians - Ms. Christine Eaglesham/ Ms. Sofia Tambasco

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to those staff members who will not be returning next school year: Ms. Fiona Stocker, Mr. Larry Grudzinski, Ms. Krista Matheson and Mrs. Tanya Fountain. We appreciate and are grateful for their service to the students, staff and parents of St. Nicholas. We wish them much success in the next chapter of their careers.

#### **Upcoming Important Dates:**

• Wednesday, June 23 - Fitset Ninja (obstacle course).

· Friday, June 25 - Last day of classes/Report cards available on Powerschool

#### Faith Corner

At the end of this school year we give thanks to God: For all the teaching and learning that has taken place in our school, both in and out of the classroom, For the talents and gifts that have been shared and the challenges that have been faced; For the burdens that have been lifted and the hurts that have been healed; For the faith that has been lived in our daily struggles, For the hope that has lifted our hearts on the dark days and for the love that has kept us going. We give thanks for our St. Nicholas community and we ask you Lord - Bless our students and our families as we embark on summer holidays, may our time together leave us with memories to cherish. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen



## ST.NICHOLAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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