



St. Helen's School Newsletter

May 2019

Principal : Mr. Waldemar Sambor

Vice Principal : Ms. Dawn Currie



Dear Parents,

As we begin the month of May, we reflect on Our Blessed Mother's example of faith, courage, perseverance and fortitude. May God bless all mothers and give us the love and wisdom to raise and guide our families as our Blessed Mother modelled for us. We will continue to ask her to intercede for us and hope that you can join us for the Crowning of Mary on May 3rd. We would also like to take this opportunity to wish all mother's a wonderful Mother's Day on May 12th.

As we approach the end of the school year, we would like to congratulate our students who have shown improvement in achievement over the year. We are grateful for the continued parental support of your children's education and we encourage you to continue communicating with us as we enter the final few months of the school year. Encouragement and effort from home and school is just as important in the last few months and must continue to be an ongoing commitment.

"God could not be everywhere and therefore he made mothers."
-- Jewish proverb

Sincerely in Christ,
Waldemar Sambor
Principal

May Highlights

- 2 Jeans Day—non-uniform
- 2 Communion Rehearsal (7PM)
- 3 Crowning of Mary Mass (6A)
- 5 1st Communion (3 PM)
- 8 Spring Musical Rehearsal (9:30)
- 9 Spring Musical (1 PM & 7 PM)
- 13 SHS Track Meet
- 15 Kindergarten Orientation
- 17 Pro D Day—No School
- 20 Victoria Day—No School
- 21 Confirmation Rehearsal (7PM)
- 22 Gr.7 Confirmation (7PM)
- 23 School BBQ (5-8 PM)
- 24 WS Mass (3A)
- 31 St Helens Golf Tournament

Crowning of Mary - May 3rd

The children are asked to bring flowers from the garden to honour our Blessed Mother. We will be praying the rosary during the procession before Mass. Upon

Searchers



Girls Soccer

Sr. Girls Div 1 1st in CISVA

Sr. Girls Div 2 1st in CISVA

Jr. Girls 6th in CISVA



Our Winner from our Annual Spelling Bee, Jordan Plomp (Gr. 5B) & runner up Gabriela Krol (Gr. 4A)

Spelling Bee

Congratulations to all our intermediate students who participated in our school spelling Bee.

1st place goes to Jordan Plomp (Gr. 5B)

2nd place goes to Gabriela Krol (Gr. 4A)



Readers Are Leaders

Congratulations also goes to our students from grades 5-7 who have been reading selected books since December to compete in the annual Readers are Leaders competition. We placed 2nd overall! Thanks to the following students. Chiara Holzer, Ewan Sloan, Romina Damy, Jordan Plomp, & Anushka Dsouza.

Students enjoying and learning hands on!

[Gr.3 Art Space](#)

[Gr.4 Field Trip to MacMillian Space Centre](#)

[Gr.4 Fort Langley Field Trip](#)

[Gr.5 to Britannia Mines](#)

[Gr.3 Lynn Valley Canyon](#)

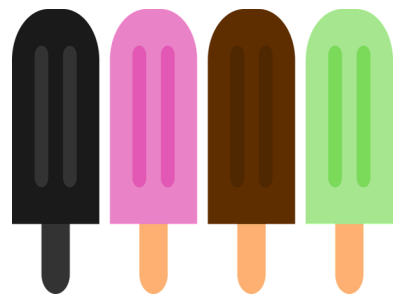
[Rubix's Cube Challenge](#)

[Gr. 3 Field Trip](#)

[Cycling Program](#)



Searchers News



POPSICLE SALES—On sale every Friday from May 10th until June 21st. Proceeds will go towards the grade 7 legacy fundraiser.

SCHOOL BBQ—Thursday, May 25th (5-8 PM)

GOLF TOURNAMENT —Friday, May 31st

Our highly anticipated Annual Golf Tournament is around the corner! Spaces are filling up fast on the greens. If you are unable to golf, you are also welcome to join us for dinner.



Children enjoying our grass field playground

Our secretary, Mrs. DeFazio left for her Maternity leave on Friday, April 26th. She will be returning in Sept 2020. We wish her all the best with her new extension on the family.

If You have any Mite boxes at home, please return these to your classroom teachers.

Searchers Community



Parish Education Committee (PEC)

Notice is hereby given that advance poll to St. Helen's Parish Education Committee will take place on May 23rd and if needed Saturday and Sunday, May 25th and May 26th, 2019.

For the coming year, we need to elect 3 members and appoint 1 from St. Helen's Parish for the Parish Education Committee.

Eligible to nominate and to be nominated for election are all registered parishioners (Catholics living within our parish boundaries), over 21 years of age and Catholic non-parishioners who have been attending our parish upon written agreement of their proper canonical pastor. (Pastor Authorization Forms are available in the parish office).

Eligible to vote are:

- Parishioners 19 years of age and a registered member of St. Helen's Parish
- Your name must appear on the Parish list.
- Members of registered families, whose name is not on the list, must contact the office, or register under their own name before the day of elections.

Nomination forms must be received in the school office no later than **May 16th, 2019 by 4:00 p.m.**

Reminder: Student drop off/Pick up procedure

The "safety first" procedure for dropping off and picking up of students is as follows:

- The posted speed limit is 30 km/hr during school hours (8:00 am – 5:00 pm)
- The drop off areas are the west side parking lot, school gate on Ingleton, and West Wing entrance on Pandora. Supervision and lanes will be set up to assist you.
- If you need to park your car, please be conscientious of our neighbors. Please do not double-park as the road becomes blocked and inconveniences other motorists.
- Unless authorized, do not park or stop in the area designated by sign for handicapped persons. The two minutes you choose to stop there could be the same two minutes that spot is needed.
- Do not park within 6 meters of a stop sign.
- Please do not honk your horn to attract your child's attention. Children will often run into the street without looking for other cars.

The safety of our children in a school zone is everyone's responsibility! Thank you for making our students' safety a priority.

Searchers Excellence

The following students are recognized for their efforts in the published class work:



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Milania Russo
Joey Skoko
Xaviar Soligo

1

Mateo Arbulic
Marko Arbulic
Alexis Ross

2

Carlo Bocca
Myles Jacobucci
Angelica Van Woerden

3A

Julia La Chimea
Michael Poldrugo
Nayaana Sodhi

3B

Liam Benning–Harris
Hannah Phan Vu

4A

Markus Katusa
Kirsten Puzon

4B

Valentino Cavasinni
Sonali Maharaj

5A

Layla Pocrnic
Alyssa Rizzuti

5B

Adam Graham
Mason Kram
Rocco Sandini
Jongwoo Sun

6A

Hazel Parris
Nick Almeida
Jared Lee

6B

David Ishak
Daniella Coltellarro
Mikella Campanile

7A

Brendan Wong

7B

Matthew Udovicic
Pavel Sancic
Sidney Knoll



*"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do
Maya Angelou*

better." ~



Our Spring Garden is in full bloom!

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