

CHALKTALK - JANUARY 2017

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and you were able to spend quality time with family and friends.

On behalf of the St. Charles school staff, I would like to extend our best wishes for a successful and prosperous New Year.

The 2017 part of the school year promises to be as eventful as 2016.



THANK YOU TO...

❖ Ms. Bigland for organizing the Christmas baskets for our "sister" school in the Verdun area. Thanks to all of you for being such a generous community.



❖ All our volunteers and in particular to the "Holiday Shop" and "Breakfast with Santa" Committees for hosting not one but two amazing events. Big smiles were on all the children's faces as they proudly walked around with their holiday purchases. It was wonderful to see the students excited about their Holiday Shop purchases for loved ones (and pets!). Mr. & Mrs. Claus delighted us all with their visit and laughter filled the gym while everyone enjoyed a wholesome, scrumptious breakfast. Thank you to our grade 6 elves for being good role models by helping out the younger students and cleaning up. What a great way to start the holidays and create wonderful lasting memories for everyone!!!

MESSAGE FROM MRS. BIGLAND *Christmas Basket Project:*

I would like to thank everyone in this community for your very generous donations to our Christmas Basket Project. The families we helped this year were very large families and what has become the "St. Charles style", everyone was extra generous and there was plenty for all the families! The amount of food and gifts collected was overwhelming. There are 7 very happy families in Verdun. It really shows that we can all make a difference when we all work together.



PEER MEDIATORS

On Monday, January 16th, our Peer Mediators will be treated to a Pizza lunch, as a thank you for all their hard work in the school yard.



Mrs. Bigland
Community & Spiritual Care
Animator

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SIBLING REGISTRATION

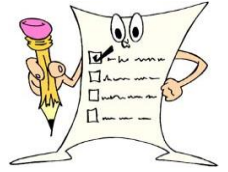
Sibling registration period is from January 16th, 2017 to January 20th, 2017.

If you have a sibling starting Kindergarten in September 2017 then please contact Ms. Brown at (514) 626-0480 to receive a registration package.



GRADE 6 RE-REGISTRATION

To all Grade 6 parents and guardians, please watch for re-registration forms for High School. These forms will be handed out to the students on January 24th and must be returned to school by the latest January 26th.



OPEN HOUSE

Open House will be held on Thursday, January 26th, from 6:30pm to 8pm and we encourage everyone to attend.

This evening will be a wonderful opportunity for you and your child to visit the computer lab, the library, the music room etc. and learn first-hand what your child experiences on a typical school day. Staff members will also be on hand to answer questions that you may have with respect to the school. In addition, information booths will be set up in the gym along with the Grad Bake Sale.



KINDERGARTEN AND NEW STUDENTS REGISTRATION - January 30th, 2017

This registration period is from January 30th, 2017 to February 3rd, 2017 and is for those students who are NEW to St. Charles from Kindergarten to Grade 6.



Registrations will take place between 9:00am and 3:30pm. Please note that the office is closed for lunch between 12:15pm and 1:15pm.

It is very important that you have the following documents with you:

- child's certificate of eligibility (if available);
- child's long form birth certificate;
- child's medicare card;
- copy of child's medical booklet;
- parent's or legal guardian's birth certificate **OR** passport; and
- proof of residency; (driver's licence etc.).

Should you know of anyone who may have children starting Kindergarten in September 2017 or simply looking to change schools, please inform them about our Open House on January 26th from 6:30pm to 8pm so they can learn more about our great school.

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REMINDERS

Please make sure that your child is properly dressed for the winter weather. It is so important that



everyone can get outside and benefit from the fresh air.

Please note that indoor shoes are necessary in case of an emergency and for keeping our classroom floors clean.

Thank you for your cooperation.

YOUR CHILDREN'S SAFETY

Please be conscious of safety on St. Anne Street before and after school. It is very important for your children's safety that you follow the proper procedure:



- Park at the church in a designated parking spot and
- Walk your child across the street at the crosswalk

Please do not stop on St. Anne Street and do not enter the crescent with your car. These actions put all of your children at risk. Thank you for your cooperation.

*Best wishes for an enriching,
fun and prosperous 2017!*

Mr. Canavan