

CORPUS CHRISTI SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 12, 2024

APPROPRIATE OUTDOOR WINTER CLOTHING

For colder weather, especially during snowfalls and rain, please make sure your children are dressed suitably (winter coats, hats, mitts, boots) for outside recess times.



UNIFORM REMINDERS

Parents, please label all uniform items (shirts, pants, kilts, shorts, etc.) with a permanent black marker. If your child's name has faded, please re-write the name.

Check uniform labels (your child may be wearing someone's golf shirt, sweater, shirt, pants, kilt, gym shirt, or gym shorts). If you notice another student's name, please return the item to your child's classroom teacher.

Please ensure that uniforms are neat in appearance, you may need to hem pants or kilts and patch any tears in clothing items. Thank you.

HEALTH LINK BC – Sleep: Helping your Children – and Yourself – Sleep Well - attached.

NEW WEBSITE – www.cchristi.ca

WEATHER INFORMATION

Please review following procedures should the school close due to weather conditions.

1. Visit the school website— www.cchristi.ca
2. Check your email
3. Listen to CKNW (980 AM) or watch Global News.

It is the parent(s) responsibility to verify if the school will be open due to the weather based on the information sources noted above.

The school will communicate with parents only if the school is closed.

LICE CHECKS

Please note that Thurs., Jan. 25th there will be a lice checks for students. Please have girl's hairstyle in loose ponytail or hair down.

STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Report cards will be distributed Thurs., Jan., 25th.

Student-Led Conferences will take place on Fri., Jan. 26th. **No regular classes.** Please be on time for your scheduled conference. Students must be in full uniform.

Be sure to sign up for [student-led conferences](#).



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DEADLINE FOR FIRST TERM PARTICIPATION – JAN. 31, 2024

Reminder participation hours for Term 1 needs to be completed by January 31. To record your hours please [click](#) here.

A prorated fee will be applied for partial completed hours and a \$300 fee will be applied to families who opted out or did not complete any hours.

RE-REGISTRATION PACKAGES 2024

Re-registration packages will be distributed at the end of the AGM (Annual General Meeting) held Tuesday, January 23, 2024 @ 6:45pm in the school gymnasium.

All registration packages must be completed and returned to the school office no later than Friday, February 9. A late fee will be applied for any late or incomplete packages.

ST. BLAISE - BLESSING OF THROATS

On Fri., Feb. 2nd at 9:00 AM the staff and students will be receiving the Blessing of Throats . Parents are welcome to receive this blessing.

Many Catholics might remember Saint Blaise's feast day because of the Blessing of the Throats that took place on this day. Two candles are blessed, held slightly open, and pressed against the throat as the blessing is said. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him. Very few facts are known about Saint Blaise. We believe he was a bishop of Sebastea in Armenia who was martyred under the reign of Licinius in the early fourth century.

The legend of his life that sprang up in the eighth century tell us that he was born in to a rich and noble family who raised him as a Christian. After becoming a bishop, a new persecution of Christians began. He received a message from God to go into the hills to escape persecution. Men hunting in the mountains discovered a cave surrounded by wild animals who were sick. Among them Blaise walked unafraid, curing them of their illnesses. Recognizing Blaise as a bishop, they captured him to take him back for trial. On the way back, he talked a wolf into releasing a pig that belonged to a poor woman. When Blaise was sentenced to be starved to death, the woman, in gratitude, sneaked into the prison with food and candles. Finally Blaise was killed by the governor.

Blaise is the patron saint of wild animals because of his care for them and of those with throat maladies.

In His Footsteps:

Take time as Saint Blaise did to find out how you can help wild animals. Find out what is being done to support and protect the wildlife in your area. There is wildlife everywhere, even in cities. Even a birdfeeder can help God's creatures survive.

Prayer:

Saint Blaise, pray for us that we may not suffer from illnesses of the throat and pray that all who are suffering be healed by God's love. Amen

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK – FEB. 11 – More information to follow

UPCOMING SCHOOL CLOSURES

The school will closed on **Mon., Jan., 15** for Staff Professional Day, **Thurs., Feb. 15,** **Fri., Feb. 16** for the Catholic Educators Conference & **Mon., Feb. 19** for Family Day.