



# MAY 2011 Newsletter

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“Catholic Schools—Celebrating the Good News in Catholic Education”

## Principal's Message

This is the month we celebrate our mothers, especially the mothers of Sacred Heart School. May 8 was the official Mother's Day, but we all know that our mothers are the key element that keeps the wheels turning every single day! The spirit growing within our children has been nourished since birth by a loving mom who protects and cherishes that unique person in her care. At Sacred Heart School, we see your efforts, and are grateful beyond words for all the ways you work with us in the development of your children, often going far beyond the call of your duty. May is also the month of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, who is our example of the mom who taught us always to have Jesus as the centre of our lives and the model for the guardian of a Christian, loving family. May is seen as the beginning of new life and the start of summer, which makes this a logical time for the celebrations of Mary, who brought life into the world. Thank you to all Moms of Sacred Heart School, and may Mary be your support. On May 8, as well as Mother's Day, we celebrated the First Holy Communion and Confirmation of many of our young students. What a memorable day for these children who looked so special in their very beautiful outfits and their proud families hovering near. Congratulations to each of these families on this important milestone in their lives and may the Eucharist continue to be a continuing source of our nourishment for strength and growth in Jesus. Two special events are fast approaching. The first, of course, is our School Play, "Aladdin" which Miss Powers and our students are preparing with enthusiasm and oozing talent! You won't want to miss this on May 26 in our School Gym and 7:00 p.m. On June 2, we will be celebrating World Catholic Education Day with a special Mass in Fort George Park. We are fortunate to be able to have special schools where our Catholic faith and Christian values are the bedrock from which we operate. Bishop Weisner will be officiating, and we hope you can join us for what promises to be a wonderful celebration. Now down to the nitty-gritty of the jobs mothers do! We have all kinds of Lost and Found items in our school, and now that spring is here, all the winter items such as snow pants, mitts, boots, etc. can be taken home. Our students don't seem to recognize what is theirs, so we need your help in claiming them. Please visit the school and help us out. In these final months of the school year, we again urge our students to keep their focus on completion of their best work yet in their grade level. As summer holidays beckon us, we need to know that we have done everything possible to earn these holidays, and that we are as prepared as we can be to enter our next grade. Thank you for your help. Blessings of the gift of new spring life!

Sr. Irene Baker, CSJ

Virtue Of The Month: Patience  
Goal Of The Month: Waiting in hope for the will of God to be done.

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## Of Special Interest

### \* May 6, 2011

Pro. D. Day No classes for K. to Gr. 7

### \* May 8, 2011

Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation at Sacred Heart Cathedral

### \* May 13th, 2011

School Mass hosted by Grade 1

### \* May 17th 2011

"In the Woods" play production at PG Playhouse - All Classes Attend

### \* May 23th, 2011

Victoria Day - No classes

### \* May 26st, 2011

"Aladdin" performances at 10:00 AM and 7:00 P.M. All Welcome to attend!

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“Celebrate the Gifts and Talents of Everyone”



## Sports Events

**SWIM PROGRAM:** Our Swim Program will commence the week of May 20th, 2011.

Grades 1/2/3 will swim Fridays on the following dates: May 20, 27, June 10,17.

Grades 4/5/6/7 will swim on Tuesdays on the following dates: May 17, 24, 31, June 14 . All sessions are at the Four Seasons Pool and are from 12:30 P.M. to 1:30 P.M. The schedule and permission slips will go home with students in the next couple days. Please submit your child's permission slip for the Swim Program as soon as possible. Fees will be covered from our Events Account. PLEASE MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR TO ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD COMES PREPARED FOR SWIMMING ON THE PROPER DATES!



## RELAYS

Many of our Grades 2 through 7 students had the opportunity to compete against other city schools in relay races at Masich Place Stadium on Tuesday, May 3rd, 2011. The students worked hard to prepare for this sports meet and displayed great sportsmanship. Special thanks to Mrs. Glennen and Mrs. Murphy who coached our athletes.

## Early Learning Sessions

The Early Learning sessions for the month of May 2010 are as follows:

- \* Monday, May 02nd, 2011 12:30 to 1:15 pm (School Library)
- \* Monday, May 09th, 2011 12:30 to 1:15 pm (School Library)
- \* Monday, May 16th, 2011 12:30 to 1:15 pm (School Library)
- \* Monday, May 30th, 2011 12:30 to 1:15 pm (School Library)

Again, this is a great opportunity for your pre-school aged children to attend and experience some wonderful learning activities. Please note that these sessions are intended for our students registered for Kindergarten at Sacred Heart School for September 2011.



### REGISTRATIONS (Kindergarten & Other)

Now is the time for new parents to register their children for Kindergarten or any other classes! If you know any new families with Kindergarten age children, tell them about Sacred Heart School. Also, if there are any siblings of current students not registered for Kindergarten—please do so a.s.a.p! Thank You!

Pass on all the great things your child/children are experiencing at our school, such as: French Instruction beginning in Kindergarten/Learning Assistance/Speech Arts/Field Trips...and more!

**Please call 250-563-5201 to have your own personal tour of the school!**

**We are looking forward to having our Kindergarten Students for the Fall 2011 have their special visit to Sacred Heart School on Friday, June 10th, 2011 (Kindergarten Class) Time: 8:15 am—10:15 am**

### **Message from the Superintendent:**

Thank you very much for your recent contributions to our CISP G Satisfaction Surveys. The results have been very informative and will be used to set school and diocesan goals for the future. Thank you, once again, for contributing to make our schools excellent places of growth and learning.

Sincerely, Lynn McCracken, Superintendent of Schools, CISP G

## PARENT SUPPORT GROUP NEWS

**MOVIE NIGHTS:** Movie nights are over for this school year. Many thanks to Heidi Lewis for organizing these fun nights throughout the school year that so many of our families enjoyed and thanks to our families who came out to support these evenings.



**NEXT PSG MEETING:** Tuesday, May 10th at 6:00 P.M. in the Library.

## So What is Going on At Sacred Heart School:

**Pizza Days for May:** May 5, 13, 20, 27

**Lost and Found:** As Sr. Baker mentioned in her message, our Lost and Found has grown to an unmanageable size. PLEASE come in and go through our collection and check for belongings from your house. We will start to take unclaimed garments to St. Vincente de Paul by May 31.

**"In The Woods":** This is a play production at the P.G. Playhouse that is being presented by the Vanderhoof Children's Theatre. All of our students will be travelling to the playhouse for this performance on Tuesday, May 17th. There will be no cost to students since the bus costs will be covered from proceeds from weekly pizza sales and events funds will provide admission charges.

**Class Photos:** Mountainwest Studios Photographer will be coming to the school on Monday, May 30th at 8:30 A.M. to take class photos.

### ALADDIN

Sacred Heart School students and staff are delighted to invite you and your family to our re-telling of the old tale, "Aladdin". Our very enthusiastic cast members have been rehearsing since late January and what a talented bunch of actors we have uncovered! Curtain will be at 7:00 P.M. at Sacred Heart Auditorium on Thursday, May 26th, 2011. All welcome to a delightful evening of story, music, dance and song. Entry by donation.



For any parent unable to make it to the 7:00 P.M. performance, you are also invited to the 10:00 A.M. Dress Rehearsal on Thursday, May 26th.

### Year End Field Trips

The different classes are currently planning their year-end fieldtrips. Permission slips with the information about the individual trips are always sent home prior to the event. These slips must be signed and returned to the school before your child can be taken off the school property. Please make note of the upcoming events for your child—be sure permission slips are signed and returned to the school along with any payment that may be necessary—and be sure your child has the supplies/gear they need for their field trips. **Also, if parents/guardians are going to volunteer, a criminal record check must be on file at the school office. If you will be driving, a driver's abstract along with a copy of your insurance and driver's license is required on file.** Your attention to this paperwork is very important. Many thanks to our volunteer parents!!

**ATTENDANCE:** As we approach the end of our school year, our classrooms are very busy and every minute is very important. Since the most important teaching/learning time is first thing in the morning, it is crucial that your child is at school for the 8:15 start. Attendance at school every day is also so important to success in the classroom. Huge thanks to our parents who work so hard to get their children to school everyday on time!!

**SCHOOL CALENDAR:** For the parents who regularly check our school calendar online on our website, please be advised that we have made a few changes to dates in May and June. These changes will be reflected on our website by the end of this week. Thanks so much for checking out our amazing website.





Mother's Day



**IMPORTANT EVENTS—MAY, 2011**

09th	- 12:30 to 1:30	*	Early Learning Session in the Library
	- 2:15 to 3:30 P.M.	*	Aladdin Practice
10th		*	Milk Orders due
	- 12:30 to 2:00 P.M.	*	UNBC Visit about Summer Camp Presentation to K-7
12th	- 2:15 to 3:30 P.M.	*	Aladdin Practice
13th	- 9:00 A.M.	*	School Mass hosted by Gr. 1
		*	May Procession
		*	Pizza Hot Lunch
16th	- 12:30 to 1:30	*	Early Learning Session in the Library
	- 2:15 to 3:30 P.M.	*	Aladdin Practice
17th	- 9:00 A.M.	*	"In the Woods" Play at PG Playhouse, performed by Vanderhoof Children's Theatre
	- 12:30 to 1:30 P.M.	*	Intermediate Recreational Swim at 4 Seasons Pool
20th	- 8:30 A.M.	*	Assembly with presentation from YMCA
		*	Pizza Hot Lunch
	- 12:30 to 1:30 P.M.	*	June Pizza Order Form Sent Home
23rd		*	Gr. 1-3 Recreational Swim at 4 Seasons Pool
24th	- 12:30 to 1:30 P.M.	*	No Classes - Victoria Day
26th	- 10:00 A.M.	*	Intermediate Recreational Swim at 4 Seasons Pool
	- 7:00 P.M.	*	Dress Rehearsal for "Aladdin"
	- 6:30 to 8:00 P.M.	*	"Aladdin" Performance in Auditorium
		*	Duchess Park Student Showcase and New Student Orientation Session for Gr. 7's Attending Duchess Park Secondary in September 2011
27th		*	June Pizza Orders Due
		*	Pizza Hot Lunch
	- 12:30 to 1:30 P.M.	*	Gr. 1-3 Recreational Swim at 4 Seasons Pool
30th	- 8:30 A.M.	*	Class Photos Taken
	- 12:30 to 1:30	*	Early Learning Session in the Library
31st	- 12:30 to 1:30 P.M.	*	Intermediate Recreational Swim at 4 Seasons Pool

**Looking Ahead To June, 2011**

June 2	World Catholic Education Day - Mass at Fort George Park
June 3	Pro. D. Day - No Classes for K to Gr. 7 Students
June 10	Primary Swimming at Ft. George Pool
June 14	Intermediate Swimming at Ft. George Pool - 12:30 to 1:30 P.M.
June 17	Primary Swimming at Ft. George Pool - 12:30 to 1:30 P.M.
June 23	Grade 7 Graduation
June 24	Last day of School - Regular Dismissal time