



St. Matthew's Elementary School

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NEWSLETTER

June 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Well, who would believe it? We have made it to the last month of school! June will be full of exciting days for our students and their families. It also ushers in a major turning point for our Grade 7 students as they prepare to move onto the next chapter in their educational careers. It is a blessed time for the St. Matthew's community as we celebrate the ordination of Deacon Giovanni Schiesari on Saturday, June 3, 2017 and look forward to his first Mass on Sunday, June 4, 2017. With so much happening this month let us take time to reflect and cherish the last weeks of the school year and pray for a hope-filled and happy summer!

Trust in the Lord forever. For the Lord is an eternal rock. Isaiah 26:4

UPCOMING DATES OF NOTE

Friday, June 2, 2017	School Assembly (Kindergarten) 9:00 am	<i>School Gym</i>
Saturday, June 3, 2017	Deacon Giovanni's Ordination 12:00 pm	<i>Holy Rosary Cathedral</i>
Sunday, June 4, 2017	Father Giovanni's First Mass and Reception 10:30 am	<i>St. Matthew's Church and gym</i>
Friday, June 9, 2017	NO SCHOOL - Staff Planning Day	
Saturday, June 10, 2017	Spring Dinner and Dance <i>Doors open at 6:30 pm</i>	<i>School Gym</i>
Saturday, June 10, 2017	PEC Meeting 9:00 am - 3:00 pm	<i>School Library</i>
Wednesday, June 14, 2017	Non-Uniform Day <i>Wear Red and White and bring a loonie or twonie for charity</i>	
Friday, June 16, 2017	Fun Day - School Ends at 12:15 pm	



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Saturday, June 17, 2017	St. Matthew's Fundraising Golf Tournament	<i>Sunshine Woods Golf Course</i>
Sunday, June 18, 2017	Father's Day	
Monday, June 19, 2017	Grade 6 Pizza Lunch Fundraiser	
Friday, June 23, 2017	School Mass (Grade 6) 9:00 am	<i>St. Matthew's Church</i>
Friday, June 23, 2017	Talent Show 1:30 pm	<i>School Gym</i>
Sunday, June 25, 2017	Pancake Breakfast After the 8:30 am and 10:30 am Masses	<i>School Gym</i>
Sunday, June 25, 2017	School Choir sings at 10:30 am Mass	<i>St. Matthew's Parish</i>
Monday, June 26, 2017	Step Up Day	
Tuesday, June 27, 2017	Grade 7 Farewell Mass and Celebration 5:30 pm	<i>St. Matthew's Parish and School Gym</i>
Thursday, June 29, 2017	Last Day of School for students School ends at 12:15 pm	
Thursday, June 29, 2017	School Mass 9:00 am	<i>St. Matthew's Parish</i>
Thursday, June 29, 2017	School Assembly 11:00 am	<i>School Gym</i>

PEC ELECTION RESULTS

Please be advised that PEC elections were held this past week and the following candidates were elected for the 2 available positions for the next school year: ***Tania Di Liello and Cheryl Andres.***

Thank you to our outgoing member, Ann Amsing, who has served on the PEC since 2012 and has made valuable contributions to our school community.



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PPP REMINDER - SUBMITTING HOURS ON-LINE

Reminder: families please remember to **submit your PPP hours online - the deadline, June 28, 2017, is soon approaching.** Please go to the St. Matthew's Elementary School website and click on *PPP Log Hours* (found on the right hand corner of the page). **Please note: if hours are not submitted online, credit cannot be given for hours completed.** If you have any questions/concerns please do not hesitate to contact our PPP coordinators Tania or Teresa at: ppp@stmatthewselementary.ca

ONVOLUNTEER - new Parent Participation Program (PPP) management system

Effective for the 2017-2018 school year St. Matthew's will be using the OnVolunteer management program to manage our school's PPP system. Each school family will their own login credentials which will allow them to review what volunteer position(s) they have been assigned, have the most updated information on hours completed and much, much, more. Stay tuned for an email in late June which will allow families to link to the St. Matthew's OnVolunteer webpage.

FUN DAY

On Friday, June 16, 2017 students will spend a morning of pure fun! It's the St. Matthew's annual "Fun Day". Students will be put into groups and rotate through various stations. This year our Grade 7 students will be leading the stations; snacks will be provided on this day however. School ends at 12:15 pm on this day.

TALENT SHOW

Calling all students! Have a talent? Want to share? On Friday, June 23, 2017 at 1:30 pm we will have our 4th Talent Show. Information about the audition process will be forthcoming soon.

Attention Dad's

On the heels of Father's Day and at the beginning of summer holidays dad's everywhere are reminded of the important role they have in the character development of their children. To help them become the best version of themselves is both a privilege and an awesome responsibility. Sadly though, many of us have felt we could do better at this, but the question remains... "how?" The answer may be waiting for you at the all-day **Man's Destiny 2017 Conference on June 24th** at St. Matthew's, starting with mass at 9:00am followed, at the Holy Cross gym, by featured speakers, personal testimonies and shared conversation with like-minded men looking for ways to shape and guide their families according to God's plan.

God bless.

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Leading up to the Conference the members of the St. Matthew's Knights of Columbus will be praying for you and your families.



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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:

Please be aware of the following in regards to the school office hours during the summer.

The school office will remain open from June 30 - July 14, 2017 from 9:00 - 3:00 with the following exceptions: **July 1 & 3, 2017 the school office will be closed.**

The school office will be open the week of Monday, August 21, to Friday, August 25, 2017 from 9:00-3:00.

The school office will be open August 28, 29, 30 and Friday September 1, 2017 from 9:00-3:00.

The school office will be **closed August 31 and September 5, 2017.**

Have a safe and wonderful summer with your family. We will see you all back here on Tuesday, September 5, 2017.

Sincerely in Christ,
Deborah Welsh, Principal