



St. Joseph's Catholic School

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St. Joseph's School acknowledges with gratitude that we work, play and pray on the territory and traditional lands of the Lekwungen Speaking Peoples of the Songhees and Esquimalt First Nations whose historical relationship with the land continues today.

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NEWSLETTER

January 6, 2023

"Seeking Truth, Healing, and Reconciliation"

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION FOR ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

Happy New Year, Everyone! And Merry Christmas too!

Yes, in Catholic School the significance of Christmas is just too great to confine to just one day. Today is the 12th Day of Christmas. Today (and Sunday) we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany and remember the Magi coming to visit the Baby Jesus. This story comes to us from the Gospel of Matthew, which was written for a Jewish Community. It tells that Gentiles, Non-Jews, were the first to recognize Jesus as Messiah. As Non-Jews were outsiders in that community, it illustrates how God reaches out to those on the margins, those who are most in need of love. Like the gifts from the Wise Men, I received many gifts and cards of appreciation at Christmas. Thank you to all of you! I kept them until Christmas morning and opened them then. They were much appreciated, but really the best gift you give all of us is the opportunity to work with your children. It gives us a life full of meaning.

As it is the New Year, it is time to make a resolution. This year, now that most COVID restrictions are lifted, it is time to once again be faithful to the uniform code. This code has been revised and follows this message for your easy reference.

As with the implementation of everything new, there will be many questions and a bit of a learning curve to overcome. Next week, my message will be a Q & A. Please send your questions in and I will answer them. A few early clarifications are as follows:

- The Uniform Code has been slightly revised. Please do not refer to the one on-line. Please use the attached version here.
- Everyone is allowed to make mistakes as we implement the Revised Code. If you make mistakes, a Uniform Infraction is just a learning tool.
- If you need time to comply with a regulation, please write on the uniform infraction return what you need and when you can meet the requirements. (E.g., I just bought new shoes and they are not all black. Can my son wear them out first and I'll buy all black shoes next time?)
- Students need separate outdoor shoes. If you choose all black runners for indoor shoes, these can double as gym shoes.
- The Hair band statement was awkwardly worded. Hair bands should be white, black, grey or burgundy.

No-one should be overly anxious about returning to uniform compliance. As long as we are aware of what we need to do, and have a plan to do it, we are on the path to a successful completion of a New Year's Resolution!

Many thanks,
Keefer Pollard, Principal
St. Joseph's Elementary School

Winter Uniform/ Full-Dress Uniform Thanksgiving Day until Spring Break, School Masses and Formal Assemblies	
Girls'	Boys'
<p>K-3 gray tunic or gray skort (no shorter than 2 inches above the knee) or girls' gray dress pants 4-7 gray kilt or gray skort or girls' gray dress pants Skirts and skorts may not be shorter than 2 inches above the knee</p> <p>Plain white cotton blouse, with pointed collar, buttons in the front. Long or short sleeves. No stand-up collars, frills lace or embroidery. No coloured or patterned t-shirts under blouses.</p> <p>Gray and burgundy single crested tie.</p> <p>Burgundy cardigan, pull-over or vest. School sweater must be worn at the beginning of each day.</p> <p>Plain black dress shoes or all black including soles runners free of coloured logos or stitching. Pump style shoes, boots or heels higher than ½ inch are not allowed.</p> <p>Gray knee-high socks or tights. No frills or lace on socks or tights.</p> <p>An optional hair band in gray, burgundy, white or black may be worn.</p>	<p>Plain gray dress pants. Polyester/viscose blend recommended.</p> <p>Plain white long-sleeved or short-sleeved dress shirt. No coloured or patterned t-shirts under shirts.</p> <p>Gray and burgundy single crested tie.</p> <p>Burgundy cardigan, pull-over or vest. School sweater must be worn at the beginning of each day.</p> <p>Plain black dress shoes or all black (including soles) runners free of coloured logos or stitching. No boots.</p> <p>Gray or black socks.</p>

Haircuts must be neat and compliment the school uniform – no extreme haircuts or styles, including razor cut or dyed designs. Hair dyeing or bleaching is not allowed. Make-up and nail polish are not permitted. One or two small stud or sleeper earrings are permitted. Additional jewelry is not permitted unless approved by the principal.

Exceptions to the uniform code (e.g. discreet jewelry of a religious or cultural nature) may be approved by the principal on a case-by-case basis for religious, cultural or health reasons.

Students wearing Hijab must choose colours of gray, white, burgundy or black.

January 23 Pro-D, School Closed



St. Joseph's Application & Admissions 2023-2024

We are actively accepting new applications for all grades for the new year.

If you have a child or if you know someone whose child is coming to Kindergarten next year, please submit the application and supporting documents.

For the application form and the list of the supporting documents, please visit the link:

<https://stjosephschool.ca/admission/>

- The School Open house is 9:00-11:15am on Jan. 31, 2023. More details to come!

St Joseph's School Proudly Presents Peter Pan Jr. Musical



Performances:

Friday, March 10- 6 pm

Saturday, March 11 – 10 am

Saturday, March 11- 1 pm

We need volunteers to help with the success of the performance.

Sign up to volunteer via the link below:

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/96982010400474064/true#/invitation>

CANADIAN PRIDE CIVVIES DAY

As reward for our Terry Fox fundraising efforts in September, St. Joseph's students have earned themselves a Canadian Pride Civvies Day, Friday January 13th!



What to Wear

Come dressed as your favourite Canadian Hero, Icon, or in anything that celebrates Canada!



CALLING ALL VOLLEYBALL COACHES!



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A
COMMUNITY COACH, WORKING ALONGSIDE
A TEACHER SPONSOR?

DO YOU HAVE/ARE WILLING TO GET YOUR
CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK?

DO YOU LOVE THE SPORT OF VOLLEYBALL?

IF SO, PLEASE CONTACT MR. ZUBACK FOR
MORE INFORMATION!
(JZUBACK@CISDV.BC.CA)

Season starts after
Christmas break!



St. Joseph's Parish Corner

Mass Schedule

Fri 6:30am, 9:00am
Sat 6:30am, 5:00pm
Sun 10:00am, 6:00pm
Mon 6:30am
Tue 6:00pm
Wed 6:30am, 6:00pm
Thu 6:30am, 9:00am



Youth Ministry

"There is nothing more beautiful than to be surprised by the Gospel, by the encounter with Christ. There is nothing more beautiful than to know Him and to speak to others of our friendship with Him."

Pope Benedict XVI



The Youth Group offers the opportunity to experience unity through the prayer of the Liturgy of the Hours, and singing together, which educates us to recognize our belonging to Him. Therefore, the proposal of our friendship is the Christian experience that we are called to live as a journey towards our Destiny. We are constantly provoked by this friendship to say yes to Christ.

May Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and our Mother, help us to turn our hearts and our will to the Beauty of her Son made present among us.

Veni Sancte Spiritus

Veni per Mariam

Father Alfie

All Youth Grades 6 and up are invited

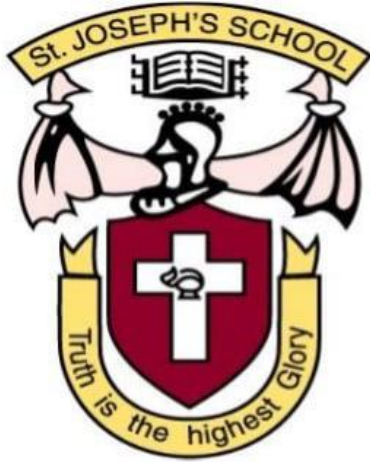
We meet after Saturday Mass in the School Gym

For more information, please contact Ruth Cerna email: ruthver@gmail.com

PARENT COMMUNITY BUSINESS DIRECTORY

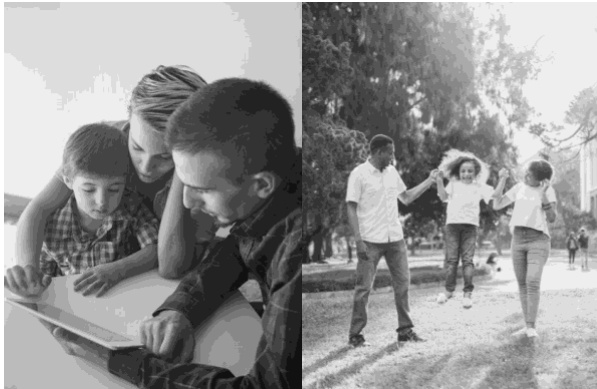


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Support Local Parent Owned Businesses!

Our Business Directory is a service provided by the Parents Support Group to help fundraise for our school children and also support our local parent businesses!



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- Homeroom Bookkeeping & Income Tax
- Whitestone Legal
- Meritage Financial Group

Health & Wellness

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Retail & Commercial Services

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- Great White North Projects
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