Quick Snapper January 13, 2023



Happy New Year! What a great week back at St. James School! There have been smiling happy faces as students reunite with their beloved friends and teachers. Our Wednesday Mass was spectacular and our Grade 6 leaders did a phenomenal job of leading the prayers under the instruction of Mrs. Witteman. We hosted our first playgroup session in 3 years thanks to the efforts of our former CEA Mrs. Julia Stroschein! We encourage all families to keep their eyes on our school calendar as it has been updated with all of the exciting events happening in the next few months.

Basketball season

Basketball season is officially underway and we must thank Mrs. Kilarski, Mrs. Durfeld, Mr. Foster and Mr. Mclaughlin for their coaching and refereeing skills for the upcoming season! Please see the school calendar for the updated game schedule for both teams. Girls Practice: Mondays 2:45-3:30pm & Wednesdays 7:45-8:15am & Fridays 12:25-12:55pm Boys Practice: Tuesdays 12:25-12:55pm & Fridays 12:25-12:55pm

Morning arrival

Please make every effort to have your child here before the first bell at 8:25am. Important warm up activities and routines happen in the classrooms to start each day and we would hate for your child to miss out.

After school Supervision

Thank you for picking up your child by 4:30pm. In the winter you can pick up your child from either the library or the computer lab. There will be a sign posted on the door each day as to where your child will be. Parents are welcome inside the school to pick up your child.

Emailing Teachers

When emailing teachers please keep in mind timing! Teachers are not expected to reply to emails in the evening, on weekends and on holidays. Thank you for your understanding.

First Wednesday Mass

Mass will now be on the first Wednesday morning of the month. Parents and parishioners are welcome to attend. Thank you to Mrs. Kelly and Ms. Dressler for taking on the music ministry for our school masses.

Uniform Coordinator Needed

We would like to thank Chauna Lutz for all of her years of service as our uniform coordinator. With her son graduating this year, we are looking for our next superstar parent coordinator! Please let the office know if you can take on this role...ideally for a few years. We will help train you! Thanks again Chauna!

Email your SOS Hours

Please remember to email <u>soshours@stjamesvernon.com</u> with your volunteer hours so they will be counted for the year!

Playgroup

Playgroup dates are posted on the school calendar. Please invite friends and neighbors with little ones ages 0-5 to come by and check us out! Everyone is welcome!

Kitchen Volunteers

Please sign up if you can help support our Hot Lunch Program. Thank you so much to those who have already signed up. We have several spots still available to fill.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4fada82ca0fa7-january5/60244142#/



Vernon Viper Game

Tickets are now on sale for the SJS Community Builder Vernon Viper's Game on Family Day (February 20 at 2:00pm at Kal Tire Place). You can e-transfer your ticket order to the office and we will deliver your tickets to you a week or so before the game! E-transfer: <u>payments@stiamesvernon.com</u>

Adults \$16 Students \$5

Vernon Winter Carnival Family Fling

Friday Feb. 10 St. James School Tickets are \$5.25 per person (5 and up) Tickets are NOW ON SALE at the school office or the winter carnival office.

Grade 6 & 7 Students to Silverstar

January 20 7:15am February 3 7:15am Please make sure your paper work for Silverstar has been completed ASAP!! Don't forget to set your alarm clocks extra early on those days!

https://shop.skisilverstar.com/s/school-programs-2/p/school-programs-st-james-catholic-school

Grade 6 & 7 Students to walk in the Vernon Winter Carnival Parade - Theme - "Carnival of TV"

The parade starts Saturday February 4th at noon but we will meet up beforehand. A map will be released to us a week before where we will meet. Students will be asked to meet at 11am. There will be washrooms available. <u>The Chosen</u> has been a costume theme put forward...stay tuned! Details and costume info to follow.

Upcoming Events

January 16 - PSG Meeting 3:30-4:25pm in the Grade 2 classroom

January 20 - Gr 6 & 7 SilverStar ski days...depart SJS at 7:15am

February 1 - READY SET LEARN 8:30am-10:00am

February 3 - Gr 6 & 7 SilverStar ski days...depart SJS at 7:15am

- February 4 Grade 6/7 students in the Vernon Winter Carnival Parade...more information to come
- February 5-11 Catholic Schools Week Celebrations details to come

February 10 - Family Fling (5-8pm in the gym) Tickets on sale at SJS office (\$5.25 per person)

February 20 - Family Day Community Builder - Vipers Game 2:00pm Kal Tire Place (tickets on sale in SJS office)