

Walk with Jesus, our living hope!

Dear Parents,

School Safety - Please take into account the following if you are feeling anxious about your children's safety because they are in school: *Fall Modelling Presentation*: The Provincial Health Officer has released the [latest COVID-19 data modelling presentation](#). As slides 19-20 show, the number of positive COVID-19 cases for school-aged children continues to account for less than 10 percent of all cases across the province. As of Nov. 5 there have been 261 exposures in B.C. 1,942 schools; that means around 9 out of every 10 schools have not had an exposure.

Morning Drop Off - This is a reminder to our school community about following safety guidelines and parking bylaws in the mornings.

Several parents have been seen attempting to drop their children off too close to the crosswalk, where the signage is clear that this is a bylaw violation. This not only causes traffic jams but also obstructs the view in the crosswalk. Please park only where permitted.

As well, parents have been seen walking (sometimes alone, sometimes with their children) across the street in areas that are not marked 'crosswalk'. This sets a dangerous precedent for your children, both in the area of safety and compliance with rules.

Please ensure you are doing your part to keep our students safe. Thank you to the majority of parents who demonstrate their commitment to safety and compliance on a daily basis. We see you, and we appreciate what you do.

After School Pick Up - In an effort to manage this better on days when it is raining so hard that it is challenging to release students in a manner where parents are not congesting so closely, students whose last names begin with letters **M-Z** will be dismissed from the **back field** behind the school. It would be helpful if you did not drive in the lane on these days. THE DECISION TO PROCEED THIS WAY AFTER SCHOOL WILL BE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AS A BANNER. Thank you for your cooperation as we attempt this new procedure.

Daily COVID Student Health Form - These must be submitted daily please.

Friday with Father Mario Update - Thank you very much for your support and question submissions in the past few weeks. **Thanks to your enthusiastic responses, we now have over 240 questions for Fr. Mario!** Fr. Mario is excited to "meet" everyone and answer as many questions as possible. The event details as well as Zoom meeting link are listed below:

Date: Friday, November 20, 2020

Time: 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm (The meeting will commence promptly at 7:00 pm. We encourage everyone to join the meeting by 6:55 pm)

Zoom meeting link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88602690905?pwd=RkhVNDZkdWhVdWdzTVpEbXpVanQ1UT09>

Meeting ID: 886 0269 0905 Passcode: 444619

For any further assistance, please contact sdfsfamilyties@gmail.com

Parish Education Committee Update - It has come to our attention that parents may be wondering about the roles our new PEC members hold for this year. We are especially grateful to our parents who have stepped up to sacrifice their time and energy to this volunteer commitment, particularly during these challenging conditions. As of our last meeting in October, the following positions were decided upon:

Chair - Franco Caligiuri

Treasurer - Anthony Tillman

Vice chair/delegate: Rossa Sung

Secretary - Linda Santoro

Maintenance - Cristian Sora

Community engagement: Rozelle LaTorre;

EPC liaison (position eliminated this year),

Policy - Deacon Paulos Teckle

Fundraising Update: Purdys/Dieleman orders are coming in; the deadline is **Nov. 21.**

Pizza gift cards can be ordered on our Munchalunch platform. Due date is **Nov. 30.**

And here's what our grade 2 class is up to: <https://bit.ly/2ILVUfc>

For your calendar:

Staff Professional Development Day: Nov. 20; there is no school on this day.

Earthquake Release Drill: Nov. 25; RAIN OR SHINE; students will begin the practice at 1:30 in order for all of them to be claimed by their caregivers by 2:00. **There is no after school care on**

this Wednesday. Be patient, wear masks, distance yourselves, and allow our adapted process to unfold.