



# ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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The Mission of St. Anthony's School

## Community

*Working in partnership with the home, school, parish and community to nurture the growth of the whole person, we are committed to giving witness to Christian values in a safe, joyful faith-filled environment. We endeavor to inspire our students to become responsible life long learners who will be respectful of the uniqueness and dignity of themselves and others.*

## IMPORTANT ITEMS

⇒ Thank you very much to Mr. Shaddick for organizing the Terry Fox Walk this year. Our students and school community raised an incredible \$2558.00 for the Terry Fox Foundation. St. Anthony's top fundraisers were Caiden and Katherine MacKenzie in the grade 6/7/8 and SK/Gr. 1 classroom. Well done Caiden, Katherine and to everyone who made a contribution to this worthy cause.

⇒ Thank you to everyone who participated in selling Little Caesar's Pizza. Our profit from the sale was an amazing \$1625.00!! Top sellers: 1st place, Liam, Ryland and Colton Poirier (\$50.00 gift card for the Bear's Den), 2nd place Scarlett Peters (\$25.00 gift card to the Bear's Den), 3rd place, Logan Dupuis (a free pizza kit). Due to the popularity of this fundraiser, we will be holding another one later on in the school year. Thank you to everyone for your generous support!

Labels for Education has been awarding free educational equipment to schools in exchange for proofs of purchase from the Campbell family of brands. We encourage families to send in any Campbell's Soup labels you may have to contribute to our program.

### Deployment Program PFMRC will be offering the Children's

The Deployment Support Program will be available at our school once again this year. This is extended to families who have a soldier away due to training, exercise, temporary duty, special tasking, field exercises, courses, being posted on an imposed restriction and overseas missions. To register for the program, you may contact 613-687-2104 ext. 243.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Oct 2 - Pizza Lunch
- Oct 6 - Picture Day
- Oct 8 - Pizza Lunch
- Oct 9 - Cross Country Running
- Oct 12 - Thanksgiving - No School
- Oct 22- Little Caesar's pick up 3:30pm-5:00pm
- Oct 23 - Pizza Lunch
- Oct 27 - JK Grade 3—Hugli's
- Oct 28 - Bus Safety Demonstrations
- Oct 30 - Sub Lunch
- Oct 30 Spirit Day **Orange** and Black
- Nov 3 - Parent Council Meeting at 5:30pm



## ATTENTION! NEW POLICY!

For the safety and health of all of our students at St. Anthony's Catholic School, we will no longer be permitting **any edible treats (peanut-free or otherwise)** to be distributed among students at occasions such as Birthdays, Halloween, Christmas, and Valentine's Day. This is in keeping with our focus on safety and healthy eating practices for all students. At school, we will continue to host fun activities such as spirit days, games and songs to celebrate various holidays, as we have done in the past. Please be advised that if edible items are sent to school with your child for distribution, they will be **returned home**. We appreciate your support in helping us ensure the safest, healthiest environment possible for your children.

## Dressing for the weather

As the cooler weather arrives, we encourage all students to dress warmly so they can enjoy exercise and the fresh air at recess.

### Thanksgiving Prayer

*Heavenly Father, on Thanksgiving Day, we bow our hearts to You and pray. We give You thanks for all You've done especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son. For beauty in nature. Your glory we see for joy and health, friends, and family. For daily provision. Your mercy and care. These are blessings, You graciously share. So today we offer this response of praise with a promise to follow You all of our days.*

~Mary Fairchild

## A Message from the OPP

The OPP would like to remind parents and caregivers of the Provincial Seatbelt Campaign which runs from September 30 to October 9. It is the law for drivers transporting children under the age of 16 in a motor vehicle to ensure they are properly secured in a seatbelt, child car seat or booster seat, based on their height, weight and age. The primary focus of this year's campaign is booster seats. Booster seats are required for children who have outgrown a child car seat but are too small for a regular seatbelt. The booster seat raises the child so the lap and shoulder belts are properly positioned across their body. Booster seat use reduces the risk for serious injury by 45% for children aged 4-8 when compared to seatbelt use alone. Parents and caregivers must follow the manufacturer's weight and height requirements for child car seats and booster seats. The law in Ontario allows a child to start using a seatbelt alone once **any one** of the following criteria is met:

- child turns eight years old
- child weighs 36 kg (80 lbs.)
- child is 145 cm (4 feet 9 inches) tall

For further information on safe driving practices in Ontario please visit <http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/safety/safe-driving-practices.shtml>

SEATBELTS AND CAR SEATS SAVE  
LIVES ... PLEASE REMEMBER TO  
BUCKLE UP ... SOMEONE'S LIFE MAY  
DEPEND ON IT!



## Boys & Girls Club of Pembroke

Boys & Girls Club of Pembroke is currently seeking program leaders in Chalk River. For more information please visit:

[www.boysandgirlsclubofpembroke.org](http://www.boysandgirlsclubofpembroke.org)

## VOLUNTEER PROCEDURE

We have been so blessed to have a number of volunteers in our school each year. Volunteers assist in classes, accompany groups on school trips, and help out at various School Council functions. As part of our Safe Schools practice, we are requesting everyone who volunteers in any capacity in the school to submit an original Vulnerable Screening Criminal Background Check. This is a procedure all schools within our Board are embracing. If you are interested in volunteering in any capacity, please let your child's teacher know and they will get a form signed by me to send home to you. The local OPP detachment requires this form in order to complete a background check for you at no cost. Thank you for your cooperation and willingness to volunteer! For those of you who have a criminal background check on file, offence declaration forms will be sent home to be signed. If we have these, there is no need to get another criminal background check completed by the OPP.