#### **School Newsletter**





# J.J. O'Neill Catholic School



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### Some Important Dates

Jan 6 Frist day back to School

Jan 9 OPP presentation for grade 6-8

Jan 14 11AM Mass at school all welcome

Jan 15 Mr. Grimston & Ms. Roth to SPC

Jan 15 Parent Council 6PM

Jan 24 junior classes skating at SPC

Jan 29 Safe Schools Drill

Jan 31 PA day

Parent Council has some exciting news... our school has been selected as the Belleville SENS - CAA Chuck-a-Puck participant and our fundraising game night is Sat, March 28, 2020 @ 7pm vs Syracuse Crunch.

The CAA Chuck-a-Puck program involves the sale of numbered foam pucks before and up to the second intermission on March 28th, our fans are invited to throw these pucks onto the ice. The three fans who land their pucks closest to center ice will receive four tickets in the CAA suite, including bottomless popcorn and non-alcoholic beverages, for a future game. Each of these prizes is valued at about \$500!

A separate news letter will full details will be sent home soon!



Click or cut and paste these links into your browser for Parish Information

# Please don't forget to bring back your indoor shoes after the Christmas Holidays! Everyone benefits from a clean, dry learning environment.

# **Paid Supervisors!**

We need regular help for lunchtime supervision! If you can help between 12:10 and 1:10 any day of the week please call the office!

613 354 9500

Send in your used batteries!



## **Volunteers!**

We love our volunteers! If you have some time during school hours to read with primary age students please call the office!

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#### School Information & Reminders...

**Bus Loading Safety Zone -** For student safety - As posted, only buses and staff vehicles may enter the parking lot area between 900Am and 920AM or between 3:10PM and 3:30PM as posted. Nothing is more important to us than the safety of your children.

#### **Student Accident Insurance**

The link to http://www.insuremykids.com/en/Default.aspx is in the drop-down list under the Parents/Community tab on the Board website.

#### **Volunteers**

To be eligible to help supervise a class trip or event, or volunteer in classrooms, adults must have a current vulnerable sector screening check on file at the school. These can take some time for the police to process, so please don't wait. Ask for the forms at the office or have your child bring one home. The screening is free for school volunteers.

#### **Pediculosis (Head Lice)**

It is important to check your children's hair for head lice and nits (eggs) as part of your weekly routine. If all families take the time to check and treat as required, it will minimize the number of cases. Also please remind children) to avoid sharing combs, brushes or hats.

#### Safe Arrival & Departure

Students arriving or departing by personal motor vehicle during posted bus loading/unloading times can be dropped off on Simcoe St. to avoid congestion in the parking lot and bus loop. Parents may choose to walk with children to the school yard.

#### **Need your High School Diploma?**

Loyola School of Adult and Continuing Education offers many options to support you in achieving your goals including high school credit courses, an accredited Personal Support Worker program and English as a Second Language classes. If you are over 18 years old and ready to take the next step in achieving your future, visit our website for more information: <a href="https://www.learningatloyola.ca">www.learningatloyola.ca</a>

#### **Bus Delays & Cancellations**

Search for notices or sign up to be notified by email if your bus is running late or has been cancelled at http://triboard.ca/

#### **Unscheduled Student Pickup**

The end of the school day is a very busy time. If you are picking up your child, please send a note to the classroom teacher or do your best to call the school in advance.

#### Attendance calls

Please leave a message with the office if your child will be absent from school.

#### **Anaphylaxis - Nut free school**

We currently have students in our school who have severe nut allergies. Do not send food items to school that contain nuts. Many foods contain peanuts or other nuts. These ingredients may not be obvious so it is very important to read labels. Even if the food is to be consumed only by your child.

#### **Sharing Home Baked Goods**

Occasionally, some classrooms have special events or celebrations, and parents are invited to send in food items to be shared. Food to be shared within the school community must be prepared in an commercial setting or our school kitchen and nut free. Unfortunately, for student safety, this means we may not bring in home baked goods to share with classmates. When bringing in a commercially produced item to share, such as a tray of squares from No Frills, be sure to consult with the classroom teacher well in advance.

#### **Sacramental Preparation**

Our Staff work with Fr. Marek and our Parish partners to prepare our students for First Communion/Reconciliation (usually in grade 2), and Confirmation (usually in grade 7). Children must have a Baptismal certificate on file at the Parish in order to receive the Sacraments. Please ensure that we have this by the end of September. Contact the school or Parish office if you wish your child to receive Baptism, or if you have any questions regarding your child's eligibility to receive the Sacraments. If your child has missed a Sacrament due to a residential move etc. please contact the Parish of school as well. The Rite of Christian initiation for adults may also be offered through the Parish.

#### Sian in & Out

Pease remember to check in at the office when visiting the school. This is a safe schools policy.

#### **SchoolCashOnline**

Sign up through our website, for SchoolCashOnline to receive instant notifications when items become available for purchase like school excursions, hot lunches, milk, or school fundraisers. Cash is not accepted by teachers as a regular practice.

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