



## St. Francis of Assisi School Council

Date: Thursday, March 24, 2022

### 1. Prayer – to be recited together

#### **Catholic School Council Prayer**

*God, the source of every good gift, let us pray that all of us will experience a sense of warmth and welcome, and that there will be a rich sharing of ideas, talents and enthusiasm as together we go about our work of helping our children to grow and learn.*

*Help us recognize your presence in one another. Inspire us to listen with attention and patience, to share with courage and generosity, and to welcome the ideas of all. May this meeting of ours strengthen our friendships, build our communities, and increase our confidence in ourselves and our schools. Amen*

### 2. Good News Sharing

#### Beacon of Hope Award

Each year a school a cross our board is recognized who is an unsung hero. Someone who truly impacts the community in a positive way. This year Alan Turnbull was selected as the Beacon of Hope.

First Reconciliation took place on Wednesday March 23<sup>rd</sup> at Holy Family Parish. Next step: families reach out to the church for First Communion

### 3. Acceptance of Last Minutes/ Acceptance of New Agenda

Paloma accepted last meetings minutes.

### 4. Correspondence & Misc Notes (if applicable)

#### a. CSCA Meeting

Paloma attended the last meeting. It discussed food and nutrition, parents reaching out program. There will be two meetings available for parents in our community.

- i. School Nutrition Programs
- ii. Speaker Series supported by Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant
- iii. Tax Direction Reminder – [Welcome to VoterLookup.ca](https://www.welcome tovoterlookup.ca)  
Ensuring people direct taxes to our school board. You are also able to vote for our board trustees.
- iv. School Year Calendar Update 2022-2023  
End of April this should be finalized.
- v. Virtual Speaker Series: Helping Our Kids Thrive
  - March 10 & 21 | 6:00-7:00 p.m. | Dr. Andrew B. Campbell | Equity, Diversity and Inclusion
  - April 7 | 6:00-7:00 p.m. | Dr. Alex Russell | Supporting Children's Emotional Growth During the Pandemic
  - May 11 | 6:00-7:00 p.m. | Dr. Jean Clinton | The Power of Play - Building Relationships and Resilience Through Play

#### b. OAPCE

- i. [OAPCE March Newsletter 2022 \(mcusercontent.com\)](https://mcusercontent.com)

This is a monthly newsletter for updated news – click on the link above.

## 5. Principal's Report

Ongoing strategic Plan: 'beloved children of God'. The theme song is playing before morning announcements and this continues to be seen daily.

Science of reading continues to happen (letter sound recognition and sound skills) and also continuing Empower Program.

- We continue to talk about resiliency – this month's theme is focusing on communication.
  - Four building blocks: Sharing your story
- School improvement plan – hyperlink provided for others to examine the goals and good work happening at St. Francis.
- Cohorting still exist. Predictability is very important.
- Shrove Tuesday took place and the students really enjoyed the delicious lunch.
- We celebrated Ash Wednesday March 2<sup>nd</sup> – virtually
  - Friar then visited Ashes to each class
- Olympic Day took place March 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - The 7/8s lead the stations
  - The younger students got an opportunity to be active outside
- Resiliency Assembly: Next April 7<sup>th</sup> (communication)
  - Problem Solving and decision making
- Now currently celebrating mass at Holy Family church
  - Still cohorting classes (i.e. Grade 1-4)
  - Friday March 25 (Grade 5-8)
- IEPs went home: March 24<sup>th</sup>
- Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup>: stations of the cross

## 6. Community Representative Report

Public health has raised restriction. So community partners are reaching out

- Girls ink – after school
- Youth Diversion (rebound programs) – after school program
- Maltby workers connecting with families in person
- Food support program (weekends) Rotary club: food security are delivering nutrition food boxes delivering to families.
  - Schools refer these families to this agency
  - Currently 32 families are accessing this program
  - This will continue to approximately June.

## 7. OECTA Representative Report

The Howl: Class spotlight - Mr. Borges' 7/8 Class

## 8. CUPE Representative Report

Nothing to report

## 9. Parish Representative Report

Nothing to report

## 10. Old Business (if applicable)

### a. Fall/Winter Fundraiser results and next steps

Paloma: Wreath and planter sale went very well. Next step: ordering extras. Currently seeing how we can prompt this more and finding ways to deliver the items (shelter). CC Farms did a great job and hoping they will do this again.

Overall Profit: \$783.25

The biggest job for the school was to promote it. CC Farms delivered and organized items. Future item for next year.

## 11. Treasurer's Report

### a. Summary of Accounts/Balances

Used \$250 – from \$500 council (family funds).

McMillians \$136 balance

Council funds: \$6, 270

Canteen: Track and field (still a go)

## 12. New Business:

### a. Graduation Thursday June 23<sup>rd</sup> (week before school). Begin with Mass and then Boat Cruise **Motion** - council will provide pizza dinner and graduation cake on the night of grad. **Approved**

### b. Hot Lunches:

**Pizza Pizza**: \$2.50 (running twice a month). This has become very popular and cash online has doubled (50-60 orders)

**Hot dog lunch**: council will do a free hot dog lunch (that will be organized for later on in the year)

**Hot dog lunch**: Hoping to bring this back \$1. Paloma was thinking once a month (organizing in the works) Paloma will talk to Melissa and see what days they can commit to.

### c. Pro Grant

**Chris**: We are focusing on building resiliency. A speaker was going to come in (Roger Romero – launched a presentation to staff). We wanted Roger to come and speak to families.

Refreshments and books provided (free of charge). **We are approved for \$2500.**

**Refreshments**: Connect with Metro (sandwiches, veggie trays and coffee from Tim Hortons)

**Child Care**: Provided (Boys and Girls)

**Next step**: selecting a date (late April ...early May). Chris will reach out to Roger.

### d. Spring Fundraiser

Melissa will go and organize McMillians. Paloma will let Melissa know and begin to organize this fundraiser.

### e. Cross Country & Track and Field Meets

#### i. Plan/Organize Canteen

**Cross Country**: **Monday May 9<sup>th</sup> ... Tuesday May 10<sup>th</sup>** (Rain Date)

St. Francis will run the canteen: Paloma and Melissa have organized in the past.

- Hot dogs & Drinks (dogs were boiled)

**Track and Field**: Rent a BBQ

- Candy bags
- Chocolate bars
- Chips
- Hot dogs
- Drinks

f. Bingo Volunteers

One bingo session: \$250/ a few hours of work. We are in need of volunteers

Shifts: 4-6 & 6:15-8

Once a month

**Training**: watch a short google slide presentation and shadowing a trained volunteer

**Location**: Bath Rd. (uptown)

13. Next meeting date

Meeting Next Month: Wednesday April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Virtual

14. Motion to Adjourn

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## Principal's Report – March 24, 2022

### Ongoing Strategic Priorities:

- [Pastoral Theme – “Beloved Children of God”](#)
- Reaching Every Reader – Examining the Science of Reading with a focus on Phonological and Phonemic Awareness
- Empower Program – Reading Intervention
- [STFA Resiliency Plan](#)
- [2021-2022 SIPSAW Plan](#)

### Past/Upcoming Events and Reminders:

March 1 – Shrove Tuesday

March 2 – Ash Wednesday

March 3 – Olympic Day at St. Francis of Assisi C.S.

March 4 – Resiliency Assembly (Celebrating our “Responsibility” Champions and launching “Communication”)

March 11 – Grade 1/2 to Grade 3/4 School Mass at Holy Family Parish

March 14-18 – March Break

March 24 – Term 2 Draft IEPs Go Home

March 25 – Grade 4/5 to Grade 7/8 School Mass at Holy Family Parish

April 1 – Resiliency Assembly (Celebrating our “Communication” Champions and launching “Problem-Solving and Decision-Making” Theme)

April 8 – Grade 1/2 to Grade 3/4 School Mass at Holy Family Parish

April 15 – Good Friday

April 18 – Easter Monday

Date ... Range
11/01/2021...03/22/2022

		<u>Balance Forward</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<b>Unassigned Category Umbrella Type</b>					
<b>School Council</b>					
P/C C.C. Farms	11008	\$0.00	\$2,480.00	\$3,263.25	\$783.25
P/C Canteen Track & C/C	11003	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
P/C Epicure	11002	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
P/C Helping Families	11004	\$500.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00
P/C Hot Lunches	11001	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
P/C Little Caesars	11007	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
P/C MacMillans	11006	\$136.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$136.00
P/C Vendor Sale	11005	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
School Council-General	11000	\$5,101.04	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,101.04
Umbrella Total:		\$5,737.04	\$2,730.00	\$3,263.25	\$6,270.29
<b>Umbrella Type Total:</b>		<b>\$5,737.04</b>	<b>\$2,730.00</b>	<b>\$3,263.25</b>	<b>\$6,270.29</b>
<b>Grand Total:</b>		<b>\$5,737.04</b>	<b>\$2,730.00</b>	<b>\$3,263.25</b>	<b>\$6,270.29</b>