

St. Martin's News

November 2016

Principal's Message

There is a picture that hangs just outside my office. It is a copy of the Canada 150 Mosaic Mural that students of the four schools and citizens of Vegreville collaborated together to produce. The mural reminds me that like each and every tile on the mural, we are unique and special. God has made us in his image, but not made any two of us alike. Similar to the mural, when we are all put together,



our individual uniqueness, gifts, and talents create a masterpiece. The parallel with a school is not a very big stretch. St. Martin's is a school of 280 students, each special in their own way, each with gifts and talents provided as part of God's all knowing plan. When we combine all of the students and staff in the school, we are a more defined image of what a Catholic school should be. We are a community of learners, a faith community, and a community that takes care of one another. This is the beauty of our Catholic community.

For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others.

Romans 12:4-5

We have had a busy October and November is shaping up to be no different. Thank you to all of the families that donated to the Vegreville Food Bank in our Drive Away Hunger Campaign. It is wonderful to see our school community get behind a great cause.

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on November 2 and 3. We are trying a new web based booking system this year. We have received some positive feedback from teachers so far, but if parents have any feedback, please do not hesitate to e-mail feedback to stmn@eics.ab.ca.

November also brings our Fall Break with it. Please take this time to rejuvenate and to recharge the batteries. The busyness of September and October is intense and the Fall Break is a great way to catch up with our children, friends, and family. If you are traveling anywhere over the break, please travel safely.

Dan Coles
Principal



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Stmartinsville Council



The Stmartinsville Council recently met for the first council meeting of the year. Our council is made up of a mayor (Carter W.), deputy mayor (Caitlyn Q.) and representatives from each class. They are very excited to serve the school in order to make it the best school ever.

2016 Annual Harvest Ball

St. Martin's Students and Staff would like to send out a big thank you to the Harvest Ball Committee for their hard work, determination, and dedication to this stellar event!

Our school greatly benefits from the money raised at this event to support the various projects and initiatives undertaken at St. Martin's.

Included in this photo: Stacey, Amanda, Carmen, Meghan, Heather, Barbara, Helen, Sarah, Liz, and Nanette.



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As well we would like to thank All the teachers who spent a great deal of time and effort in planning and developing projects and Students who put effort, thought, and creativity into those projects! Thank you to all our parent volunteers who helped with projects for this event.

Well done St. Martin's Family!

November

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Gr 5D-Swimming Lessons 1-2 Hot Lunch Bat wings, bugs & cheese	2 Early Dismissal 1:55pm Book Fair 9-7pm Parent Conferences 2:30 -6:30pm ECS Both- Celebration of Learning-No Regular Classes Subway Day	3 Parent Conference 3:30 -7pm Hot Lunch Beef Stew Book Fair 9-7:30pm Gr 5D-Swim Lessons 1-2	4 Junior University Hot Dog Day	5
6  Daylight Savings Time Fall Back	7 Prayer Assembly 2Y/B-8:50am Gr 5/6 Volleyball 3:15-4pm	8 Gr 5D-Swimming Lessons 1-2 Hot Lunch Lazy Lasagna	9 Gr 5/6 Volleyball 3:15-4pm	10 Remembrance Day Celebration at School 11am Gr 5D-Swimming Lessons 1-2 Hot Lunch Beef Burger	11 Remembrance Day  No School	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
 No School Fall Break						
20	21 Prayer Assembly 2B/C-8:50am Gr 5/6 Volleyball 3:15-4pm	22 Gr 5D-Swimming Lessons 1-2 Hot Lunch Cheesy Ham & Mac Bake	23 Boston Pizza Day Gr 5/6 Volleyball 3:15-4pm	24 Gr 5D-Swimming Lessons 1-2 Hot Lunch Chicken Bowl	25 Both ECS Classes Field Trip RCP/Firehall Picture Retakes Junior University Volleyball Tournie	26 
27	28 Prayer Assembly 1B-8:50am Hot Dog Day First week of Advent	29 Hot Lunch Chicken Noodle Soup	30			

Growing Smiles Fundraiser

Dear Parents/Guardians,

With winter and Christmas approaching, we are excited to bring back the Growing Smiles winter fundraiser. Please share this information with your family and friends. They can also check out the website at: stmartinscatholic.growingsmilesfundraising.com **All orders are due November 9, 2016. M/W Kindergarten can hand in their orders by November 9, 2016, T/TH Kindergarten can hand in their orders by November 8, 2016. Late orders cannot be accepted. Pick up is scheduled for December 2 from 12:00pm-6:00pm at St. Martin's School.**

Please make sure that there is a contact phone number on all orders.

Please make cheques payable to St. Martin's Catholic School Foundation.

If you have any Questions, please contact Sarah Kisilevich at 780-603-9993.

Thank you for your assistance!

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Breakfast Club News

Volunteers at The Breakfast Club are preparing just under 2100 snacks each week this year! Thank you Caryn, Tammy, Sabrina, Tracey, Colleen, Jing, Heather, Alicia, Connie, Jeremy, Kyle, Brandon, Kim, Sandra, Jen, Melissa, Kevin, Robert, Verona, Lloyd, Danita, Kylene, Carol, Roger, Louise, Dee, Stacey, Heike, and Jenny! You are doing a great job!!

Thank you to the Vegreville community for supporting the Tim Horton's Smile Cookie campaign and Nick's No Frills "Give a Little, Help a Lot" fundraisers in support of the CALS Breakfast Club program. Generous grants were also received from TransCanada Pipelines and Breakfast for Learning in October.

St. Martin's Parish News

Sunday Mass Times

- November 6– 9:00am
- November 13 11:15am
- November 20-9:00am
- November 27-11:15am

Saturday Mass at– 4:30pm

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Holy Trinity News

- ♦ **Mass times as follows:**
- ♦ **Saturdays 5:00pm**
(in English)
- ♦ **Sundays 9:00am**
(in Ukrainian)
11:15am (in English)

If anyone would like their child to receive first communion please call office.