# **OCTOBER 2018 NEWSLETTER**

# ST. CLARE CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**Guided by Gospel Values and Catholic Virtues to Educate All Students** 

### Principal's Message

As of October 9, 2018, our superintendent **Mrs. Fedrigoni** will be moving to another division at the Board. I would like to thank Mrs. Fedrigoni for all that she has done for St. Clare over the years. Her commitment to Catholic Education and St. Clare is greatly appreciated. We wish Mrs. Fedrigoni all the best. In her place we welcome **Dr. Oloya** as our new superintendent. Dr. Oloya comes with years of experience and a commitment to Catholic Education. We look forward to having Dr. Oloya as our new superintendent.

The great turn-out at Curriculum Night on September 27th indicates your strong support, interest and involvement in your child(ren)'s education. We hope that you found the evening both enjoyable and informative. Thank you to all our staff for their hard work, commitment and dedication in ensuring a most successful Curriculum Night for our parents. Thank you to all the parents who approached me to introduce themselves.

Thanksgiving is soon approaching and we must all be thankful for everything we have. There are so many individuals suffering throughout communities that we must realize and be grateful for all our blessings. On behalf of the staff at St. Clare, from our family to yours, we want to wish all the members of our school community a very Happy Thanksgiving.

In our busy lives, it is important to take time out and thank God for our many, many blessings. Enjoy your special time with family and friends. It is in the small things in life that we can appreciate how fortunate we truly are. As a community we are blessed to be surrounded by so many individuals who care about our students.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. de Sousa Principal

#### Trustee

Mrs. Maria Marchese

#### **Superintendents**

Mrs. Marianne Fedrigoni Dr. Opiyo Oloya 905-713-2711

#### **Pastor**

Rev. Msgr. John Borean Fr. Antonello 905-653-8000

#### **Principal**

Mr. A. de Sousa 905-856-6643

#### Secretary

Mrs. Boem

#### **CSC Chair**

Mrs. Sandy Carvalho

#### Mission

Guided by Gospel Values and Catholic Virtues, in partnership with home and Church, we educate and inspire all students to reach their full potential in a safe and caring environment.

#### Vision

Our students will become creative and critical thinkers who integrate Catholic values into their daily lives, as socially responsible global citizens.

#### Core Values

Catholicity, Excellence, Equity, Fiscal Responsibility, Inclusion, Integrity, Respect.

#### Strategic Commitments

Integration of Our Catholic Faith, Continuous Improvement of Student Achievement, Effective Use of Our Resources, Engaging Our Communities.

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL 2018–2019:**

Congratulations to the newly elected members of our Catholic School Council. We look forward to working together to continue building relationships between home and school. Our Catholic School Council members for the 2017-2018 school year are: Sandy Carvalho - Chair, Josie Raia - Treasurer, and Charles Collins - Secretary. Members include: Daniela Boragina, Anna Cardwell, Rose Cristoforo, Laura DelFatti, Francesca DiFazio, and Tammy Marino. Our next Catholic School Council meeting will take place on Monday, October 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m in the library. The meeting is open to all parents. You are invited and encouraged to attend. If you wish to have an item added to the agenda, please submit your request in writing to Mrs. Boem at least seven days prior to our meeting date. All items submitted will be considered by the Principal and the Co-Chairs and if deemed appropriate for Council discussion, the item will be added to the agenda.

#### LATE ARRIVAL TO SCHOOL:

Punctuality is a crucial characteristic of any successful individual. The importance of students arriving at school on time is paramount to their learning. How can we expect our children to succeed at school when they are late? Not only does this disrupt their learning but it also disrupts the learning for others. We ask for your support in ensuring that your child arrives to school on time for the benefit of all the students. A student is considered late for school if he/she is not in the class line in the school yard. The morning bell rings at 8:50 a.m. sharp. **Therefore, students are expected to be in line at 8:50 am in the school yard.** Thank you for your co-operation in this matter. Please continue to call the Safe Arrival telephone system (1-855-856-7862) to report any lateness or absence prior to 8:45 a.m.

#### **TERRY FOX RUN:**

On Thursday, September 27th, St Clare took part in the Terry Fox Run/Walk. To date we have raised approximately \$4500 for Terry Fox. Our goal was to raise \$4000. Congratulations to all families who contributed. Please continue to bring in your donations if you have not done so already. Thank you for your generosity in sending funds to help us raise this amount. Thank you to all our teachers for participating. A special thank you to **Ms. Jansen** for organizing the event.

#### **SAFETY WEEK:**

On Tuesday, September 25th, we began our Safety Week. Throughout the week, we conducted various emergency drills including fire, lockdown and hold and secure. Students and staff did an excellent job exiting the building in a safe and well ordered manner. We encourage all parents to speak to their child(ren) regarding the importance of these drills. We thank you in advance for your support.

#### **HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES:**

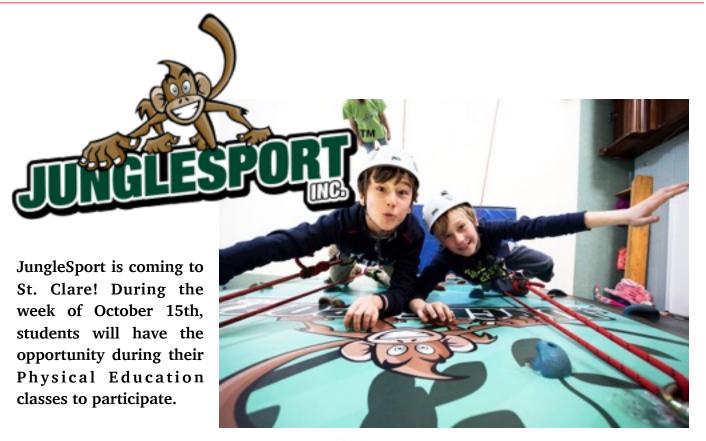
Children are invited to bring and wear a costume to school on Tuesday, October 31st. Teachers will have some fun activities for all the students to make the day special. Parents: Please ensure that your child's costume does not depict violence and that your child does not carry to school a weapon replica (sword/knife/gun, etc). Please also be aware that any Halloween treats are NOT permitted on school property due to students with allergies.

#### **PICTURE DAY:**

Picture Day will take place on **Tuesday, October 23rd**. Please try to have your child at school on time as we do not have a schedule until the day of. If a students is late, they risk the chance of not being in their class photo as we have the entire school to complete in a single day. Thank you.

#### **WORLD TEACHER'S DAY:**

On **Friday, October 5th, 2018,** we will celebrate World Teacher's Day. Around the world teachers are recognized for the wonderful work they do with our students. Let's recognize the excellent work the teachers at St. Clare do for our students.



# Discovery Program Kindergarten - Grade 3

Fun low ropes obstacle courses are at the heart of our discovery program. It promotes fundamental movement skills, coordination and cooperation. Students climb, crawl, swing, leap, balance and always have a smile on their faces. All students wear a helmet.



# Explore Program - Grades 4 to 6

Students love to climb and travel rope bridges. They feel great while learning about trust and responsibility in our explore program. Students learn the basics of climbing on our rock walls and other vertical challenges. They build self-confidence and an awareness of what their bodies can do. All students wear a harness and a helmet.

# Challenge Program - Grades 7 to 8

From swinging through the Gorilla gym to scaling the climbing walls our challenge program is perfect for active teens. Students develop their climbing skills and challenge themselves to reach greater heights. They learn how to ascend a fixed line solo style and have fun on our cave wall. They develop communication skills and strategic thinking. All students wear a harness and a helmet.



# October 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Cross Country Bruce's Mill	3	4	5 World Teacher's Day	6
7	HAPPY THANKS Giving	9	10	Rosary Apostolate	12	13
14	Catholic School Council 7:00 pm	16 UNGLESPORT	17	18 Bus Evacuation Family Night JungleSport	19	20
21	P.A Day  Municipal Elections	PICTURE DAY	24	25	26	27
28	29	Grade 7 Boys and Girls Hep B & HPV	Happy Halloween			