

TIGER NEWS

St. Theresa School

SEPTEMBER 2016

Welcome!

Welcome students, staff and families! We look forward to working with your children to assist them in reaching their full potential. Our school schedule is as follows:

8:40 a.m.	Entry—Opening Bell
8:40—10:20	1 st Instructional Period
10:20—11:00	1 st Nutritional Break & Recess
11:00—12:40	2 nd Instructional Period
12:40—1:20	2 nd Nutritional Break & Recess
1:20—3:00	3 rd Instructional Period
3:00 p.m.	Dismissal

Visitor Sign-In

To ensure the safety and security of our students, we ask all visitors to adhere to the signin protocol. Please stop by the office upon arrival and sign yourself into our Visitor Registry Book, don't forget to sign out on your departure.

School Agendas

Students in grades 1-8 have been provided with a FREE agenda. As your child takes ownership of his/her homework commitments and routinely records assignments, responsibility is nurtured. Agenda use begins in the elementary grades and continues to be used in post secondary education.

Safe Arrival & Reporting Absences

Please call the school by 8:00 A.M. to advise us if your child will be late or absent. The safe arrival line will pick up messages 24 hours a day, seven days a week, in case you need to call after hours or through the night. It is linked to our school number **705-752-4407**. Should you forget to call, you will be contacted by our <u>automated</u> Safe Arrival system to remind you to call us regarding your child's absence. Also, if you are picking up your child at the end of the day, please call before 2:00 p.m.

Annual Fundraising

At the end of September, we will send home information on our annual fund raising activity. More information will follow soon.

Save the Dates

- Pizza Day: September 14, 2016
- Open House:
- September 13, 2016 at 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Picture Day: October 17, 2016
- CSAC Meeting: September 20, 2016 at 6:30-7:30 p.m.



Open House

You are invited to an Open House and Information Night on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The staff looks forward to meeting you at the Open House so that they may explain their classroom procedures, routines and programming. Please proceed directly to your child's classroom.

Keep in mind that this is not the evening to request specific information about your child's progress. We invite you to book an appointment with the teacher for another time if necessary. We hope to see you there!!!

School Photos

Picture day will take place on October 17, 2016. The cost of the pictures and order forms will be provided by Life Touch. Each child will receive a class picture and as always the purchase of student pictures is optional. We always begin with the kindergarten children and progress upwards through the grades. Don't forget to smile!

School Cash Online

School Cash Online offers parents the convenience of paying online for school fees & activities. Visit https://npsc.schoolcashonline.com for more details.

Catholic School Advisory Council

Our Catholic School Advisory Council will be meeting on the evening of Tuesday, Sept. 20th, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Elections will be held to form our new Catholic School Advisory Council. Please consider joining our parent team as parents provide valuable ideas.

We are mandated to meet at least four times per year and our meetings begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. and last one hour. You do not need to attend every meeting to be part of the council.

Terry Fox Run

SEPTEMBER 22nd IS OUR TERRY FOX DAY

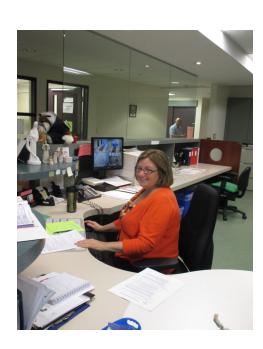
Students will be bringing home more information soon!

PIZZA Day will begin on September 14, 2016

Please note that pizza day will be every Wednesday. The cost is \$1.50 per slice and it is requested that pizza be paid to cover several weeks. An order form is sent home. This will aid in minimizing minutes taken away from instructional time. Should your child miss a pizza day, the funds collected will be considered a donation to student funds. Please contact Mme Lamarche should you have any questions.

Art Supplies:

The JK/SK classes and the Art Club are looking for supplies that can be donated to the school. These items include: wall paper books, yarn, string, ribbon, material scraps, craft or water colour paint, scrap booking supplies, painting canvases, baby food jars, pipe cleaners, pom poms, googly eyes, craft foam pieces, beads and wrapping paper.



Allergy Alert

The following known items may cause a life-threatening allergic reaction to persons attending our school and are not permitted on school property or taken on any educational excursions.

ALMONDS

CASHEWS

PEANUTS

PEANUT BUTTER

PISTACHIOS

SESAME SEEDS

SHELL FISH

TREE NUTS (MANGOES)

These measures are mandatory under Sabrina's Law. Thank you for doing your part in keeping our staff and students safe!

VOLUNTEERING AT SCHOOL

All persons wishing to volunteer for school activities must have a CRIMINAL BACKGROUND **CHECK** including a SEXUAL OF-FENCE CHECK on file at school. You must present the original document to the principal or secretary and it must not be older than six months old. Once it is on file at the school, you must complete an Offence Declaration for the school every year. The school reserves the right to request another updated CRIMINAL BACK-**GROUND CHECK including** SEXUAL **OFFENCÉ** CHECK at a later date. Should you have any questions, please contact Mme Lamarche.



Safe Schools

VISITOR RESPONSIBILITIES TO SUPPORT SAFE SCHOOLS

Any non-staff person is considered a visitor to the school and must report directly to the office.

VISITORS MUST:

- Sign in and sign out in the log book AFTER reading the health and safety responsibilities found in the sign in guest book.
- · Remain with their designated host (usually the classroom teacher)
- · Do not smoke on Board property at any time
- · Report immediately to the host, any injury/illness or hazard, no matter how minor
- Follow any and all posted signs and rules

In the event of an emergency, follow the instructions of the host and remain in the gathering area until given further instruction.

FIRE DRILL EVACUATION /AND LOCK DOWN PROCEDURES

For each school year it is mandatory that schools carry out Fire Drill Evacuation and Lock Down Drills.

FIRE DRILLS: There are a total of six Fire Evacuation Drills mandated. Three must occur during the period between the commencement of school and the end of December. The other three occur between January and before classes end at the end of June. We make every effort to carry out these drills during the warmer weather. Students must wear their inside shoes at all times. The students are first introduced to the sound of the fire drill bell without evacuating the school. This aids in familiarizing them with the sound.

LOCK DOWN DRILLS: A minimum of three Lock Down Drills must occur during each school year. The first is announced step by step over the public address system in order to familiarize all staff and students to the process.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT

Don't forget to go over the Student Code of Conduct Handbook that is sent home with each student. By going over the Student Code of Conduct with your child, it reflects your commitment in supporting a safe learning environment. The Student Code of Conduct Handbook is reviewed bi-yearly by your CSAC members and staff. Parents of kindergarten students will be provided with a copy of the Student Code of Conduct Handbook if they do not have an older child attending SChool.

EMERGENCY AND HEALTH INFORMATION FORMS

<u>These forms must be completed by the parent/ guardian yearly and be returned to the school immediately.</u> These forms are vital to us as we refer to them should an emergency situation occur. Should your child require administration of ORAL MEDICATION, a form must be completed by a doctor. This includes all non-prescription medication as well. (IE: cough syrups, Aspirins etc.) Never send medications to school with your child. Oral medications are to be dropped off in their original containers, by the parent AND accompanied by the Administration of Oral Medication form completed by a physician. Call the office should you need more information. Board Policy states that these forms must be completed before any medication is given to your child.

Picking Up Your Child At School

In order to assist us in monitoring student safety when picking up your child at school, the following procedure will be followed:

- Notify the office of the pick up before 2:00 p.m.
- Remain at the front of office when entering the school
- When picking up your child during the school day, you must sign the log book which is kept in the office
- At 3:00 p.m. students will remain in room 124 which is the EFI kindergarten room until you arrive.
- Students must be picked up by 3:10 p.m. when supervision ends.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 2016						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5 No School	back to School	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Open House 6:30-7:30 p.m.	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 ★ CSAC	21	22 Terry Fox Run	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	