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SMA School Bulletin

March 16, 2020, Day 6

MISSION & CHARISM CORNER

Welcome to week 3 of Lent. It has certainly been trying times that we are facing this past week. There is lots of uncertainty, which can lead to additional fear and anxiety. The Gospel reading on Sunday was the Samaritan woman at the well. A beautiful reading of trust and solidarity. Jesus offers her living water and never be thirsty again. Do we trust Jesus that is with us during these times? Walking with us? If we do, we aren't rushing to buy everything from the store so that others do not have what they need. Trusting Jesus means we lean on one another as a community for support, guidance and help. The solidarity symbol this week is a feather. This feather symbolizes Indigenous knowledge and culture. Indigenous peoples have always lived in harmony with nature, caring for it and taking only what they need. They see the Earth not as something to exploit, but as a Mother who protects and nurtures them and that they protect and nurture in return. As a community **MARKED BY LOVE**, let us pray for those who are suffering with the virus, the medical personnel and the entire human family.

WEDNESDAY MORNING MASS

Please join us on March 18 for Morning Prayer at 8:00 am in the Chapel. 12-2 will be leading our ministries. All are welcome.

FROM THE SCHOOL

WORLD WATER DAY

Hello from Green Team! Because yesterday, March 15, was Bottled-Water Free Day and this Sunday March 22 is World Water Day, we would like to take this opportunity to mention a few things that we feel the SMA community should know! In Winnipeg we are lucky to have clean water available at our fingertips, but we must realize that this is a luxury that many people do not have. Shoal Lake community, the place Winnipeg gets its clean water from, has been under a boiled water advisory for many years. Did you know that Nestle takes enormous amounts water from communities without their permission, bottles it, and sells it for profit? A lot of the plastic from these bottles ends up in oceans and lakes too. Green Team encourages SMA students to recognize how their actions regarding water usage impacts their environment and communities around them and think twice before supporting companies that have a negative impact on the environment. Come to our meetings on Day 3's to help raise awareness and take action to protect our planet! "Let us be 'protectors' of creation, protectors of God's Plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and of the environment" - Pope Francis

THINKFAST CHALLENGE

Congratulations and THANK YOU to our students and staff who participated, and all those who supported them in, THINKFast 2020. IT is not too late to be part of the THINKFast Challenge - check outside of the caf for the MARKED BY LOVE thermometer. Thank you to planning team of Elle Wood, Cadence Christie, Ms. Martin and Mrs. Steeves.



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THINKFAST TEACHER CHALLENGE

ThinkFAST Teacher Challenge in support of our grade 7-9 ThinkFAST. This fundraiser will be in support of the Thinkfast challenge that the 7-9's are doing for Development and Peace to aid the Amazon and its Indigenous peoples. Help us reach our goal ultimate of \$ 1000 as a student body. We will be collecting money every day from March 12th- April 9th outside the caf and Donations can be made online at www.devp.org/thinkfast/2792 Every donation of \$2 or more enters you in the draw to assist in the Challenges to be held on April 16th. See posters around the school for details.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

Marked by Love simple ways through week three of Lent: Fasting, Prayer and Almsgiving •Abstain from hurtful words, pause and take a breath before responding to someone out of anger or hurt feelings. •Make a list of people who need your prayers and set some time to pray for them each day. •Offer to help someone else in your family, at work or at school with a chore or a task.

Lenten Come 'n go Reconciliation services on Friday, March 13th and Friday March 20th from 12:30-1:00 followed by NO FRILLS FRIDAY Mass.

This Lent please join us for Mass on Friday at 1:05 in the Chapel. No frills, no fuss, no muss! All are welcome.

Club L.E.M.O.N: Calling all grade 7 and 8 students! The next Club LEMON is on Thursday, March 19 in THE CHOIR ROOM All are welcome, bring your bagged lunch and friend!

STUDENT WIFI CHANGES

Please access your school email for a message containing a new passphrase for the WiFi connections.

SMA STUDENT WELLNESS ROOM - Coming soon!

After consultation, and many sub-committee meetings, we are happy to announce that the SMA STUDENT WELLNESS ROOM will be opening this Spring. In support of the Student Wellness Room opening, we have received 16 complimentary tickets for a Bell MTS suite for the Moose game on Thursday March 26 at 7:00 pm against the Texas Stars.

HUMAN RIGHTS DINNER

The Human Rights Dinner has been postponed.

CON FUOCO NEWS

String Ensemble March Meetings: March 26

Woodwinds March Meetings: March 18, 24



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DO YOU DRUM? DO YOU HAVE RHYTHM? DO YOU KNOW A DRUMMER?

Con Fuoco choir is still looking for a drummer!! If you are interested, please contact Ms Geras through the Con Fuoco Yammer group or by email at ageras@smamb.ca

Microsoft Canada DIGIGIRLZ DAY.

If you signed up for this upcoming event in April, Mrs. Swayzie will be contacting you soon with further details.

STUDY HALL OFFERED

Study hall has been cancelled this week.

UNIVERSITY GUIDANCE

All post-secondary events & info can be found @ <https://lfennell2.wixsite.com/mysite>

FROM THE WORLD OF SPORTS

FLAG FOOTBALL

ALL ATHLETES or just great people BORN IN 2005/2006- interested in learning about the sport of Flag Football please come to a VERY short BUT important info meeting on FRIDAY<, MARCH 13, 2020 at 12:35 in the gym. All info about teams, timelines, tryouts, the sport in general, etc will be explained and handed out. Come ONE, come ALL...and try something new.....even though you are not familiar with the sport...come for info

GOLF CLINIC

There is a golf clinic in the gym every Tuesday from 1:00 to 1:30. All you need are comfortable shoes (gym shoes preferred). If you cannot make it please talk to Mr. Villa, and if you miss a Tuesday not a big deal. This is highly recommended for anyone who wants to play in the spring golf league and spring tournaments.

SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

MANITOBA SPECIAL OLYMPICS

We need your help to shape our athletes' experiences! We have events and competitions coming up that need volunteers like YOU. From timing races to selling raffle tickets to cheering on our athletes, there is something for everyone, so say YES to the opportunity to make a difference! Volunteers needed on MARCH 21 - BASKETBALL Tournament - 6 more volunteers needed MARCH 22- RUN- a- thon -4 volunteers needed APRIL 25 - SWIMMING Meet - 30 volunteers needed MAY 16 - RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS -10 volunteers needed Please contact Lesley Camaso-Catalan, Manager, Program Services at lcamaso@specialolympics.mb.ca or 204-925-5625



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AUTISM LEARNING CENTER

The Autism Learning Centre is looking for volunteers to help with their upcoming Spring Break Camps for Children 5 - 12 years old. March 30 – April 3, 2020 from 9:00 - 4:00 p.m. Volunteers will be helping/assisting the instructors and other duties will follow. Please contact Trina Oliver at the Autism Learning Centre Telephone: (204) 226-7247 or email: trina@autismlearningcentre.ca Fun indoor and outdoor activities will make for an awesome week. Volunteers can sign up for full days or half days depending on what spots are available.



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