



# ST. JUDE'S ACADEMY

## Primary Years Programme Newsletter

### October, 2018

"Autumn...the year's last, loveliest smile." - John Howard Bryant

October was yet again another fantastic month at SJA. The Grade 5 and 6 classes headed out on their first extracurricular activity. They went to the Old Pro Driving Range and learned how to properly hold and swing a golf club. Some classes attended field trips, while others enjoyed workshops by Scientists in the School. We held another very successful International Day. Well-done, SJA. We held our yearly picture day and monthly bake sale and casual day. We also had some fun during our Halloween/ Harvest Spirit Day.

During their Unit of Inquiry, "How Shocking," the Grade 6 students learned about current and static electricity when building circuits and conducting investigations related to the movement of electric charges. They then used their knowledge about electricity in order to create posters teaching others how to be safe and responsible around electricity. The Grade 6s have also begun their science fair project! Each student is using the engineering design process to build an electric

car that travels a minimum of 1 m in a straight line! The Grade 6 students also had representatives come in from Solaris, a company that builds and uses a robot called Lytbot to help disinfect hospitals. Through this presentation they learned how electricity can be used to save lives!

In our Unit of Inquiry, "Amazing



Bodies," the JKs are learning about different ways to make our body as healthy as can be. They have talked about foods that are healthy and unhealthy. Students explored the different kinds of healthy foods they see in the grocery store, and they learned about different foods groups. They have been sorting healthy and non-healthy

foods they found in a food magazine by categorizing them as 'smart snacks' and 'not-so-smart snacks'. The JKs also discussed personal hygiene, such as the proper way to brush your teeth, and wash

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## Upcoming Events

Monday

**November 5**

Guy Fawkes Recitals

Friday

**November 9**

PD Day (No School)

Monday

**November 12**

Kindness Day

Friday

**November 16**

Science Fair

Thursday

**November 22**

Picture Retakes

Wednesday

**November 28**

Casual Day

Tues./Wed.

**Nov. 27/28**

Bake Sale

Friday

**November 30**

Report Cards

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your hands. They had a visit from the Dairy Farmers of Canada, who showed the JKs how cows produce milk and the different dairy products they see at the grocery store.

Together, the JKs and SKs took a trip to Chudleigh's Farm, where they had the opportunity to pick apples, see animals, and play on a hay structure. When the JKs returned, they incorporated apples into our class lessons. While the JKs were counting in math, they placed beads (to represent seeds) on apples with the corresponding number. They also had the chance to do a pumpkin and apple investigation. They were able to describe different features on the apple and pumpkin, such as the amount of seeds they have, the texture and the lines on them.



## Extra-curriculars

We have exciting extra-curricular clubs taking place at St. Jude's Academy. Take a look through to see where your child's interests are and encourage them to take part!

Ms. Hayward will be running a primary and junior recess readers club. Students in Grades 1, 2, 5 and 6 can join her at recess on Monday and Wednesdays during first recess. Students in SK and Grades 3 and 4 can join her at recess on Tuesday and Thursdays during first recess.

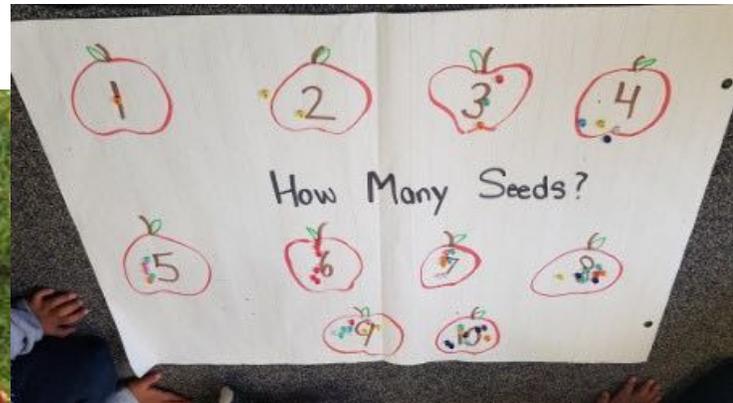
Ms. Brew will be running a games club for students in Grade 1-2 on Day 1 during first recess from 11:30-12:00

Ms. Coldwells will be running a bracelet-making club for students in Grade 1-2 on Day 1 during first recess from 11:30-12:00.

Ms. Gandy will be running a drawing club for students in Grade 1-2 on Day 5 from during second recess from 2:00-2:20.

Ms. Jaskolka will be running a games club for students in Grade 3-6 on Day 5 during second recess from 1:40-2:00.

Mrs. Hocevar will be running a chess club for students in Grade 3-6 on Day 1 during second recess from 1:40-2:00.



# After-School Programs

There are a number of fun and interesting after-school programs that students can choose to attend.

## **Piano** (Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday)

Offered to students in grades SK-6. Piano is a fun way to encourage and develop your child's musical ability. We have group lessons, semi-private and private lessons for SK-Grade 6. All classes are 30 minutes in duration and are every Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Spaces are limited and time slots are given on a first-come basis.

## **Art & Recycling** (Tuesdays)

Streetsville's own Knack Snack Art Studio wants to introduce your child to the world of Art using different items such as canvas, glass, fabric and also learn to use recyclables to create wonderful pieces of artwork. Students will be bringing their pieces to life through the use of colours of pastels, charcoal, acrylic paint or whatever the tool, what matters most is to get their ideas on paper.

## **Dance** (Mondays)

"In The Mix" video productions, where kids learn

dance moves in these high-tech energized classes. Through solo and group participation, every child gets to explore what's new in dance, music and iPad technology. The students work in teams being a director, dancer, choreographer, DJ or producer to create one-of-a-kind music and dance videos. (A minimum of 10 students are needed to run the program)

## **Karate** (Tuesdays & Thursdays – JK/SK 3:30-4:00 PM & Gr. 1-6 4:00-5:00 PM): SUPERKIDS

Karate is an exciting way to get your child up and active. Offered to students from JK-6.

## **Yoga** (Wednesdays)

We are excited for the return of Blossom Yoga to SJA. Classes combine yoga poses, music, breathing techniques, games, and reflective art to capture the attention and imagination of young yoga buds. Students will learn calming and relaxation techniques, build physical literacy, balance, flexibility, and have fun. (Maximum of 15 Students)

Please contact Ms. Dawn for more information  
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# Action Stars

Mrs. Hocevar's Grade 5 class – **Manny** brought in an Eiffel Tower puzzle and told his class some interesting facts, as it related to our France International Day project. **Eva** created a PowerPoint on pandas, as a way to work on her technology – learning how to create a PowerPoint presentation.

Ms. Arandia's Grade 4 class - **Bosco** was seen by a teacher in the hallway for consoling a peer who was upset and crying. He provided tissue to the other person and was asking if they were okay. **Anthony** was seen by a teacher taking the initiative to help comfort the younger student during an after school program who was in tears by providing a pillow for them to rest on.

Ms. Smith's Grade 2 class - As part of her summative project, **Leah** made bracelets and went to different

classes asking for donations to Sick Kids.



## Important dates

- Monday, November 5 – Guy Fawkes Poem Recitations
- Friday, Nov. 9 – PD Day – No School
- Monday, Nov. 12 – Kindness Day
- Friday, Nov. 16 – Science Fair
- Thursday, Nov. 22 – Picture Retakes
- Tuesday & Wednesday Nov. 27 & 28 – Bake Sale
- Wednesday, Nov. 28 - Casual Day for students who have paid the Casual Day Fee
- Friday, Nov. 30 – Term One report cards go home
- Monday, December 3 – Term 3 begins
- Thursday, Dec. 6 – PYP Student-Led Conferences
- Tuesday, Dec. 11 – JK-2 Christmas Concert
- Tuesday, Dec. 18 – Grade 3-8 Christmas Concert
- Tuesday & Wednesday Dec. 18 & 19 – Bake Sale
- Wednesday, Dec. 19 – Casual Day for students who have paid the Casual Day Fee
- Thursday, Dec. 21 – Christmas Spirit Day
- Friday, Dec. 20 – Tuesday, January 8 – Christmas Break – No School
- Wednesday, January 9 – First day back after Christmas Break

## PYP Knowledgeable Winners for October:

Junior K:	Amogh Mulamalla Pakhi Agarwal Ahaana Arora Krishna
Senior K:	Rohan Malhotra Noah Tejani Neel Vijayan
Grade 1:	Armaan Sidi Adam Zahed Omar Qita
Grade 2:	Nyla Mandal Adi Takhar
Grade 3:	Arya Nathoo Vaibhav Purswani
Grade 4:	Joshua Armogan Jai Sarin
Grade 5:	Manny Chawla Sethumi Hapurachichi Caitlin Noronha
Grade 6:	Lucas Louis-Charles Rhea Bector
Primary French:	Kaysha Mistry
Junior French:	Krina Rathod Sophie D'Sa
Phys Ed:	Jad El Hassan Jai Sarin
Music:	Vyas Satish Aydan Johnson

## House Points Totals



2 469 000



2 231 000



2 179 000