What's Up @ SGA March 15th-19th?

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

I hope that you were able to enjoy the weekend and extra daylight time with your family. Today is the beginning of Daylight Saving Time (spring an hour forward) and the additional sunshine brings with it the hope of spring and new life which is fitting as today is the Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday) which is associated with hope and rejoicing that Easter is near.

To brighten spirits as well as looking forward to Spring, this week we will be having a Spirit Civvies Week - which means every day is a themed civvies day.

Monday, March 15th: Pajama Day

Tuesday, March 16th: Favourite Sports Jersey Day

<u>Wednesday, March 17th</u>: In honour of St. Patrick's Day – students are encouraged to wear or accessorize with the colour green. In addition, there will be a virtual St. Patrick's Day Prayer Service for the students @ 10:45 am

<u>Thursday, March 18th:</u> Spring Formal (Dress Up Day) and Grade 7s will have a virtual Skills Ontario Presentation

<u>Friday, March 19th:</u> Here Comes the Sun Day – students may wear civvies and are encouraged to don spring accessories such as sunglasses, sunhats, baseball caps etc. Weather predictions for Friday include chilly values so please ensure that your child(ren) are dressed for the weather. Also it is St. Joseph's Day and in honour of this there will be a virtual prayer service for the school at 1:05 pm.

Voluntary Census for Parents of Children FDK-Gr.6:

By now parents of students from FDK to Grade 6 either in person or remotely, should have received an email from the Board inviting them to complete the online census, together with their child, between March 11 to March 31, 2021. This is voluntary.

Reminders:

Thank you for continuing to screen your child(ren) on a daily basis before coming to school as this assists in keeping us all as safe as possible. Please continue to wear masks on school property when on school property while dropping off/picking up your child(ren). As part of ongoing protocol, all visitors to the school will be asked if they have self-screened before being permitted to enter. A copy of this screening tool is at the front door for your convenience, Additionally, visitors are reminded that they may not go past the foyer/office. Thank you all for your continued support and cooperation.

Kiss and Ride in the Back and Front Driveway:

In the interest of safety, please continue to drop off your children in the lane <u>closest to the yard/sidewalk</u>. The left lanes in both kiss and ride areas are for passing ONLY. Please do not stop in these left lanes to drop off your child(ren) as they have to cross in front of /behind cars and this is unsafe. Please remember to drive slowly. As well, please do not use the kiss and ride in the back as an area to park your car and leave your vehicles. Those dropping off FDK students in the front, may escort your child(ren) to the FDK gate. Both yards have a staff member on duty.

Finally, students are to enter the school through <u>their designated yards and</u> doors. They should not be entering through the front door between 8:35-8:50 am.

<u>Catholic School Council:</u> A big thank you again goes out to our Catholic School Council which has generously provided the school with seven chrome books and an ongoing supply of bottled water (courtesy of the Healthy Snack Subcommittee). On March 27th, CSC members are volunteering in a joint effort with our family of schools (Immaculate Conception, St. John Bosco, and St. Catherine of Siena) to support Immaculate Conception Parish's Family OutReach Easter Food Drive: <u>IC Family outreach Easter Food drive 2021 (2).pdf</u>

Thank you and have a wonderful and safe week!

Ms. Sandig, Principal