

# St. Michael's News

January 5, 2023

## Welcome!

Welcome to our new-look newsletter!

Although the format is different, the content is the same. Included you will find important information on upcoming events and programs, as well as reminders from the school administration and the classrooms.

Please take some time to read the newsletter each week and reach out to the school office if you have any questions or queries.

### New for 2023

We have added a "Student Leadership Corner" to our newsletter to share the wonderful work of our student leaders. We hope you enjoy it.

Happy New Year to all!

## Virtue of the Month

### Our Virtue Focus for the month of January - Self-Control

During this month of January we celebrate the virtue of self-control. Self-control helps us to resist the temptation to do something that we will regret. It also helps us to resist the temptation to do something that will harm ourselves or others. Each time you exercise self-control you grow stronger in the Lord and invite peace to settle over life as you avoid any guilt you may feel from having made a poor decision.

*Show me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths. -- St. Francis de Sales*

#### **A person with self-control...**

† is patient

† knows how to wait his or her turn

† can calm him or herself down and think before reacting to situations

† knows how to avoid physical aggression (hitting, kicking, pushing, etc.)

† can think things through

† applies effective communication, decision making, problem-solving & resource management skills

Let us pray for the virtue of self-control so that we will resist the temptation to cause harm to ourselves or to others around us. AMEN

## St. Michael's School Website

Please see our website for more information, forms, and the school calendar.



## Used Uniform Sale

### WHEN

Friday, Jan. 6th, 3-3:30pm

### WHERE

In the music room

### MORE INFORMATION

Volunteers will be hosting a used uniform sale after school on Friday. They will be inside the music room (accessible from the outdoor learning area at the back of the school).

## January Family Mass

### WHEN

Sunday, Jan. 8th, 8:30am

### WHERE

St. Michael's Parish

### MORE INFORMATION

Our January Family Mass takes place this Sunday at 8:30AM. We encourage as many of our families as possible to join. Our choir will lead us in song as we come together to rejoice. We look forward to seeing you there.

### Sunday Offering Envelopes

The church collection envelopes for the new year can be picked up from the church. Please pick up your envelopes when you attend Mass this weekend.

## Registration

Registration for new students for the 2023-2024 school year is now open. If you have a child at St. Michaels and have a sibling entering in September, please contact Mrs. DeJulius to ensure we have their name added to our sibling list.

Registration forms for new families can be found on our school website

<https://www.stmichaelschool.ca/how-to-apply/>

## Saturday Sports Camp

Our Spring session of Saturday Sports Camp starts soon. If your child attends St. Michael's school and is interested in participating, please complete the form attached at the bottom of this newsletter.

All queries should go directly to Coach Oleigue at [oleigue@gmail.com](mailto:oleigue@gmail.com).

## St. Michael's Fundraising News

### Auction News

The annual Auction is St. Michael's School's largest fundraiser of the year, and we're gearing up for another great event. This year's theme is: Fun in the Sun!

### **Start Collecting Those Bottles**

The Annual General Meeting is coming up on Feb. 8, and it's a tradition for school parents to bring bottles of wine and fine spirits to the meeting to support the Auction. So if you have any bottles left over from the holiday season, maybe pick up an extra bottle or two for the Auction!

### **We Need You!**

Looking for opportunities to fill your 60 participation hours? Volunteer for the Auction! Some current members will be leaving the school next year, so we're looking for fresh faces to keep the Auction going. And if you join now, you'll be able to learn from some of our veteran members.

We have opportunities available in these roles: Co-chair, secretary, treasurer, marketing/communications, donation cataloguing, corporate donations, TUPS (child-minding service), online auction setup, live auction setup, and auction closing.

If you're interested in any of these roles, or want to help out in a different way, please email [stmichaels.auctioncommittee@gmail.com](mailto:stmichaels.auctioncommittee@gmail.com). You can get more info by joining our next meeting, which will be held over Zoom on Jan. 16 at 7pm.

### **Donation Ideas**

Not sure what to donate? Some popular donation ideas are:

- Electronics
- Bottles of wine and fine spirits
- New items that can be sold
- Hotel and spa gift cards
- Sports tickets
- Gift cards in denominations of \$25, \$50, and \$100

If you're eyeing an item that's out of your budget, team up with friends or fellow parents so you can all pitch in and get something awesome! Donations can be dropped off at the school office or in the church.

### **Big Boxes Needed**

If you end up giving (or getting) a large item for Christmas (like a TV, major appliance, or furniture), don't dispose of the cardboard box! The Auction decorating crew would love to take those boxes and transform them into decorations for Auction night. If you have a box you'd like to donate, please text Maria at 778-881-0922.

Check out the Facebook page for all the latest info:

<https://www.facebook.com/stmichaelsauction/>

## **Student Leadership Corner**





## **Student Leadership Helping**



## **St. Michael's Parish Food Bank**



## **Seeing Their Effort Making a Difference**

At St. Michael's school, the students learn about, and participate in, opportunities to promote social justice. Each week, we will highlight some of the wonderful work our students are doing to support our community and help those in need.

We were overwhelmed by the support of our school families and friends at our Christmas concert, where we collected food bank donations. Our Grade 7 leaders were proud to deliver the much needed items, just in time for the Christmas season. Thank you for your generosity!

## **Non-Uniform Day!**

### **WHEN**

Thursday, Jan. 26th, 8:45am

### **WHERE**

St. Michael's School

### **MORE INFORMATION**

The Student Leadership team would like to inform everyone that the theme for the next Non-Uniform Day on Thursday, January 26th is "Pajama Day". Dawn comes pretty late and dusk pretty early these days...why not skip the outfit change and just come to school in your pajamas? Bring a food bank item with you for the St. Michael's Parish food bank. Thank you for your continued support.

## **Upcoming Dates**

**January 6th:** Feast of the Epiphany; School Mass 9AM; Used uniform store 3 - 3:30PM

**January 8th:** Family Mass with school choir 8:30AM

**January 10th:** Confession for Gr. 3; Gr. 4 Ski Day

**January 13th:** 9AM School Mass

**January 20th:** Pro-D Day **No School**

**January 24th:** Confession for Gr. 5; PEC Meeting

**January 26th:** Non-Uniform Day

**January 27th:** School Mass 9AM



## St. Michael's School

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your presence, where we may see your glory face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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