

Parent Council Meeting – Monday November 24 2014

Present: Mrs. Travassos, Mrs. Piazza, Mrs. D'Intino, Mrs. Vella, Mrs. Greco, Mrs. Cronin, Mrs. Geromella, Ms. Noccolino, Mrs. Pihack

Regrets: Mrs. Parker

Opening Prayer – Mrs. Geromella

Minutes

Motion to Pass: Mrs. Cronin

2nd to Motion: Mrs. Piazza

Subdays

Friday December 5 2014

Friday February 14 2015, forms out January 21 2015, due back February 4 2015

Friday April 17 2015, forms out March 25, due back April 8

Friday May 15 2015, forms out April 22, due back May 6

Mrs. Pihack will confirm dates with Andy's Subs

Mrs. Greco is also looking into Pita Pit as a secondary option

Parent Counsel Meetings

Wednesday January 28, 2015 - 6:30pm

Thursday February 19, 2015 – 6:30 pm

Thursday April 30, 2015 – 6:30pm

Wednesday May 27, 2015 – 6:30 pm

Miscellaneous Dates

Friday November 28, 2014 – Black and Gold Day for Hamilton Ticat support

Pancake Day will be held Tuesday February 17, 2015

Confirmation – St. Eugene's – Thursday February 26, 2015

First Communion – St. Eugene's – Saturday April 18, 2015

Play day – Thursday June 18, 2015 – Dofasco Park, Harveys for lunch

Graduation – Monday June 22, 2015 – Liuna Station

Fundraising

World's Finest Chocolate

Motion to Pass – Mrs. Greco, 2nd to Motion Mrs. Travassos

Vote Passed – Mrs. Vella, Mrs. Cronin, Mrs. Piazza, Mrs. Greco, Mrs. Travassos

Fundraising will take place late February into March as Easter is early April 2015

Mrs. Greco will call, we will also look into almonds as an option, and Mrs. Geromella will speak to nut allergic families

Charitable Donations

10% of last year, need to check with Mrs. Mildenberger for amount

Motion to pass Kiwanis – Mrs. Travassos

2nd to Motion – Mrs. Piazza

- Kiwanis is very generous to give back
- Very involved in our school community
- Provided free trip to grade 6 students last year
- Pre-teen mentoring
- Offer babysitting courses
- Board is all volunteers

Advent Night

Date to be determined, need confirmation from Father Charlie or Father Mark

More social atmosphere this year, Mass and Carols with choir?

Asking for donations of mittens, hats, socks (possibly men's long underwear and socks for homeless)

Principal Report

Highlights

Grade 8 trip to Camp Brebeuf went very well, done earlier in year so kids can get over inhibitions of grade 8/going into high school

Parent Teacher interview – decent turn out, went well

Mrs. Amos – Director of Education, retired, she was former super-intendant of St. David's, choir sang for her, school kids performed poems etc. for her

New Director will be David Hanson

Faith

Confirmation enrollment masses – November 21/22 and November 28/29 at St. Eugene

Mass with Father Charlie – Thursday November 27 at 11:30

Advent Liturgies – Monday mornings (Dec 1, 8, 15) 9:30 am in gym

Confirmation Retreat – January 27 for Grade 7

Curriculum

School improvement planning – 4 meetings so far, 2 more planned prior to Christmas

EQAO scores are up, focus in on Math and Faith

Science in Schools:

- Hands on
- Science experiments done for kids
- One free session
- More through subsidy
- Possible funding from Nevada?
- Programs for JK to Grade 8

Science Fair

- this year will be run as a club, kids will volunteer rather than be told to do projects
- teachers will provide mentors to kids
- not class projects
- some will be done at home
- nine (9) projects will go to system science fair

Health and Safety

Playground and parking lot have been repaired

Taste Buds and Hamilton Spectator were at school to review breakfast program on Friday November 7th

- Pictures were taken of Mrs. Buchella's class
- Positive feedback was given
- Still running three days a week (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)

Team jerseys have been ordered, four (4) full sets, gray with black, logo on front, numbers on back

P.A. Day (Friday November 14)

- morning faith for staff
- in-service for prayer
- Christian Meditation – some classes are at 5 minutes, kids are asking for meditation, some classes do in class, some do in chapel

Treasurer Report

\$1049.80 balance

Motion to Adjourn (7:55pm) – Mrs. Cronin

2nd to Motion – Mrs. Piazza