

# St. James Weekly Update

December 3-7, 2018

"Called To Be Our Story"

Week 14 of 20 - Term 1

#### Week at a Glance

#### Monday, December 3, 2018

- Hot Food Pizza
- Advent Celebration in our gym @
   9:30 a.m. led by Ms. Pellegrino's Gr.
   3 class. Families are welcome to join us
- Advent Kindness Idea- Let someone in front of you in line

### Tuesday, December 4, 2018

- NO popcorn for sale today
- Class visits with Fr. Nick in p.m.
- Advent Kindness Idea- Give someone a hug or compliment

### Wednesday, December 5, 2018

• Advent Kindness Idea- Hold the door open for someone

#### Thursday, December 6, 2018

- Hot Food Burgers
- Advent Kindness Idea- Give a friend or loved one your full attention

#### Friday, December 7, 2018

- Pajama Day for students in Kindergarten to Grade 4
- Twin Day for students in Grades 5 to 8
- Christmas Fundraiser Pick-Up from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- Advent Kindness Idea- Smile at someone
- Last day to send in practical gift cards for The Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

## **Upcoming Dates**

Mon., Dec. 10 -Advent Celebration in our gym @ 9:30 a.m.

Wed., Dec. 12 -Rosary Apostolate Visits

Thurs., Dec. 13-Christmas Concert in our gym @ 2:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Fri., Dec. 14 -Advent Liturgy of the Word in St. James Church @ 9:30 a.m.

Mon., Dec. 17 -Advent Celebration in our gym @

9:30 a.m.

Wed., Dec. 19 -Christmas Concert Snow Date Fri., Dec. 21 -Last Day of classes before break

#### **Additional Information**

- ✓ Popcorn will not be available this week as both our volunteers will not be in this Tuesday.
- ✓ Our Grade 4 class has finally moved into their new portable. We are all very excited about this. We will now be working on setting up our Library/ Learning Commons.
- ✓ Notices will be going home with students on Monday inviting families to sign up for our new online payment and information system, School Day. Each of the notices is student specific, each student receives a unique code. Please keep track of this code in order to sign up. We are hoping to have our next round our Hot Food Orders placed using School Day. Please read the information that will be sent home carefully and sign up on School Day as soon as possible. We really appreciate everyone's patience as we work through this new system.
- ✓ Our CSCC Christmas Fundraiser Pick-Up is this Friday, December 7 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Please join us for some hot chocolate, Christmas music, and spend some time socializing with other St. James families and friends. Santa will be dropping by for a visit, too.
- ✓ Our Christmas Concert is fast approaching and will take place on Thursday, December 13, 2018. There will be two shows on this day. The first show will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m. and the second show at 6:30 p.m. Classroom teachers will send home more information regarding specific times students need to be at the school for the evening performance. If you are able to come for the 2:00 show, please join us at this time as space is limited for the evening performance.
- ✓ This Friday is the last day to send in practical gift cards for the The Society of St. Vincent de Paul. This will ensure that The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has time to give the recipients their gift cards, take the families shopping with



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- the use of the gift cards, and then wrap the gifts for Christmas. Your generosity is very much appreciated.
- ✓ We at St. James are continuing with our "We Create Change" Campaign. We create change is a program that teaches students that a little bit of loose change can go a long way in helping others in need. Families in developing countries need a hand up, not a handout and we can help them by purchasing a goat for the family. Just one goat can provide milk and cheese that a family can either sell or use to feed the family, two goats can help them start to create a herd and become self-sufficient along the way. Students are encouraged to bring in change that we add together to purchase a goat. Each week will feature a different event. This past week was crazy hair day. This Friday will be PJ day for Kindergartens to Grade 4 and Twin Day for Grades 5-8. Our last event, the week before Christmas break, will be a Christmas Dance. Every bit of change will create change as we help others less fortunate than ourselves. To date, we have brought in enough loose change to purchase 15 goats!!!!!! Way to go Jaguars!



A prayer for the first week of Advent

God of hope, who brought love into this world, be the love that dwells between us.
God of hope, who brought peace into this world, be the peace that dwells between us.
God of hope, who brought joy into this world, be the joy that dwells between us.
God of hope, the rock we stand upon, be the centre, the focus of our lives always, and particularly this Advent time.

Amen

