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Newsletter #15

April 24, 2018

Reaching Out... to Transform the World



First Student Bus Hot Line – 306-343-3300. Please feel free to phone this number anytime there is severe weather, and check if your child's bus is running.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| April 26 | - Hot Lunch for Those Who Ordered |
| April 26 | - 5S Presenting at WDM at 9:00 a.m. |
| April 27 | - Staff Retreat – No School For Students |
| May 4 | - 7L to U of S @ 1:00 p.m. |
| May 7 | - Lockdown Practice #2 |
| May 10 | - Mass at St. Peter The Apostle @ 9:30 a.m. – Ks, 1s & 2s |
| May 10 | - Father Iheanyi visits classrooms in Afternoon |
| May 16 | - Hot Lunch for Those Who Ordered |
| May 17 | - Mr. Loran's Class Play – Transyl-mania - Everyone Welcome
Show times are 9:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. |
| May 18 | - Grade 4 – 8 Track Day |
| May 21 | - Victoria Day Holiday – School Closed |
| May 24 | - Grade 8's at Camp Kadesh |
| May 25 | - Grade 8's at Camp Kadesh |
| May 31 | - Band Concert – 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. |
| June 5 | - Grade 5 Instrument Try Out @ 12:45 p.m. |
| June 7 | - Mass at St. Lorenzo Gym @ 9:15 a.m. |
| June 7 | - Father Iheanyi visits classrooms in Morning |
| June 11 | - PLD – No School for Students |

Attendance System - Safe Arrival

Thank you to our families who have implemented our new SafeArrival attendance reporting system. As always one of our greatest priorities is ensuring that all our students arrive safely to school every day and are accounted for. If you have not already done so, please start using the **SchoolMessenger** app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (or from the links at <https://go.schoolmessenger.com>), the SafeArrival website, <https://go.schoolmessenger.com> or call the toll-free number **1-844-425-7221** to report an absence using the automated phone system. This system is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to make it convenient for you to report future absences.

It is important to sign-up using the email address you have provided the school. You will also be asked to set-up the phone numbers you would like calls to be sent to, which is found under preferences on mobile app and website.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the office.

Administrative Professional Day

One day a year is set aside to give special thanks to our office administrators. On Wednesday, April 25th, please take the time to thank Mrs. Talbot on Administrative Professional Day. We are blessed to have Mrs. Talbot as a part of the St. Lorenzo family. Mrs. Talbot is always going above and beyond to help out staff, parents and students. Thank you so much Mrs. Talbot!!

Student Safety

A reminder to all parents and guardians to follow all rules of the road to help create safe arrivals and departures for our students. Speeding, illegal parking, J-walking and U-turns continue to cause safety challenges for the students. Our kids are worth taking the extra time to help improve their safe arrival and departure from the school.

Outside Doors

Students are asked to use their bootroom entrance when entering the building. These doors open at 8:30am. If students are arriving early for extra-curricular activities they should use the front doors. The front doors will open by 8:30am. All outside doors automatically lock by 9:05am to ensure all guests in the building are accounted for. We ask that families not send their children to school prior to 8:30am as staff are often in meetings and will not be able to provide supervision. Any students using the Before and After School Program can use the front Community doors.

Dress Expectations

All students are expected to dress appropriately throughout the year. We ask that all students choose clothing that allows them to participate in school activities and do not compromise or distract the learning environment. The following rules will apply and left to the discretion of staff members to decide whether the clothing is appropriate:

- Tops should be modest: midriffs should not be showing. Students are asked not to wear halter tops, tube tops or spaghetti straps. Lasagna-wide straps only.
- Clothing should convey a positive lifestyle: slogans and/or pictures should not advocate substance abuse, vulgar, prejudicial or sexist mottos.
- Students are allowed to wear shorts or skirts at finger-tip length.
- Hats are not to be worn inside the building.
- Students are asked to have footwear. Bare feet are not allowed.
- Students should have a pair of gym shoes for indoor wear.
- All students' boots, shoes, etc., should be clearly marked with their name.
- Students wearing inappropriate clothing can expect a staff member to immediately ask them to cover the garment in question or replace it with an article of clothing that is appropriate.

St. Lorenzo Logo/Team Name/Mascot – 2 Days Left!!

One of the many opportunities we have in opening a new school is choosing a school logo, team name and maybe even a mascot. Now that we have completed the process of setting the school mission and vision we are inviting students, parents and staff to submit their ideas and designs for the St. Lorenzo Ruiz School Logo and team name. This logo will be used for our school jerseys as well as banners we use at different events. Our plan is also to have a school clothing line for all to purchase.

In order to submit your design, please keep the following in mind:

- 1) All designs need to be submitted by April 27th, 2018
- 2) All designs are to be submitted on an 8.5 x 11 white sheet of paper. The name of the artist, classroom teacher (if applicable) and contact phone number should be on the back.
- 3) Use the Mission and vision statement to help guide your design ideas. Some of the key words are:
 - a. Faith
 - b. One family
 - c. Learning
 - d. Serving
 - e. Diverse and multicultural
- 4) Designs need to be able to be reproduced on clothing. Simplicity helps.

A committee made up of staff, parents and students will be choosing the top 3-5 designs. These top designs will be shared with our entire community so that everyone has a chance to vote on their favourite design.

Kindergarten Registration 2018/2019

Registration for Kindergarten students began **Monday, January 8th, 2018**. If your child will be 5 years of age by January 31st, 2019, he or she may begin Kindergarten in September, 2018. Please contact the school to register your child or drop in for a visit. Please share this information with neighbours who have Kindergarten age children. For more information, please call 659-7950 or check our website at

<https://www.gscs.ca/studentsandfamilies/schools/lor>

Volunteers Needed

St. Lorenzo School and Ernest Lindner School are planning a Winter Carnival during the 2018-2019 academic year. We are currently looking for volunteers who could sit on a committee and help plan this amazing evening of fun for the students. We anticipate having the committee meet monthly starting in September 2018. If you are able to take part on this committee, please let us know by calling the school at 306-659-7950.

St. Lorenzo Catholic School Community Council Spring Fundraiser

The St. Lorenzo CSCC will be holding Family Photo Sessions on the weekend of May 26th and 27th. Photo sessions will be done by Danielle Stasiuk Photograpy (www.daniellestasiukphotography.com <https://www.facebook.com/SaskatoonWeddingPhotography/>). Danielle has greatly reduced her usual price for this fundraising opportunity and 50% of the moneys raised will go directly to St. Lorenzo School. Each session would cost \$99 and would include:

- A 20 minute session in one of the Hampton Village Parks (the will be an indoor location if it rains)
- Three files from the session with the opportunity to purchase prints or other files.
- A discount on prints and other products (that can be purchased through their gallery)
- Their own personal gallery to view their images and choose what they would like. They will have a limited number of days to do so. If they wish for an in person meeting to help choose images that can as well.
- A clothing consultation for session to ensure that the families are getting the most out of the session and will result in loving their images.

Interested families are asked to email Kendal Kayter (kkayter@hotmail.com) on or before May 1st in order to schedule photo sessions.

St. Lorenzo Yearbook Survey

We are currently looking for feedback regarding the possibility of creating a yearbook for St. Lorenzo School. With the Help of Lifetouch Photography, yearbooks would come at a cost of \$20-\$25. Yearbooks would be completed by the end of this academic year and delivered in the fall of 2018. Please take the time click on the link and answer the 1 question survey to help us gauge if there is interest. This information is for planning purposes only and does not require you to pay for the yearbook at this time. <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=zIYtmOf2NEOhxF1neceJpicMpi-MvepGmNezxe9DdVUNDkzVDQ0SUtBRzRLQUFGQlo5Mjc3VVEwRi4u>

Community News

**Do you have the gift of gab? Would you like to meet your neighbours?
The Hampton Village Community Association Needs You!**

Volunteers are needed to help with the **English Practice / Conversation Circle:**

- Tuesdays
- 9:15 am – 10:45 am
- Until June 12th (no program April 3rd)
- Community Resource Room at the school (use the “Community Entrance”)

This is a child-friendly program. Training and support is provided for interested volunteers by our partners, the Saskatoon Open Door Society. Can’t come weekly?

No worries – sign up for the shifts that work for you!

For more information, contact Jan (306-975-3379; jan.cunningham@saskatoon.ca)