



# John Paul II Newsletter

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**April 17, 2008**

## Mission Statement

John Paul II Catholic School is a faith community rooted in Scripture and the Traditions of the Church. Our mission is to provide a safe and loving educational environment, which will enable each child to develop spiritually, emotionally, physically, intellectually, and artistically. We are committed to sharing the values Jesus modeled.

## Upcoming Events

Fri., Apr. 18	School Liturgy 11:00 am
Sun., Apr. 20	Parish Family Floor Hockey 4:00 pm
Mon., Apr. 21	<b>PRO D DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Fri., Apr. 25	Class photos/Hot Lunch Day
Wed., Apr. 30	Family Payment Schedules due
Thurs., May 1	Heritage Day
Sat., May 3	Confirmation & First Communion at the 5:00 p.m. Mass
Wed., May 7	Early dismissal - Staff meeting
Fri., May 8	School Council Annual Public Meeting
Fri., May 9	Thank you Mass and reception

## Principal's Message

Dear Families,

Thank you for your support of the cookie dough and flower bulb sales. Our next newsletter will announce the profit that was raised. A special thanks to Debbie Manning, Chris Hines, and Tanya Irg for their continued support and work in the Parents' Auxiliary.

Parents, we need more support at the PA meetings. Currently, Chris Hines is the only executive member which seriously affects our ability to pass motions at the PA meetings. We need at least 2 executive members and 3 "at large members" to meet the requirements for a quorum. Please pitch in and become more involved in the PA. All PA efforts benefit our kids, and as said before, "Our kids are worth it!" Nominations for next year's PA are now being accepted. If you need more information, contact me at 723-0637. Thanks so much!

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Korman*

## Island Catholic Schools Survey

Survey forms went home to families last week. Please complete the survey and return it in the envelope by April 18<sup>th</sup>. Your attention to this will enable us to identify strengths and weaknesses in our school. Thank you for your time!

## Class Photos

Lifetouch School Portraits will be taking class photos on Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. All students are expected to be in clean uniform for these special pictures.

## Financial Assistance

A reminder that any financial assistance forms for the 2008/09 school year must be submitted by April 30<sup>th</sup>. **Late applications will not be accepted.** If you need assistance with these forms please call the school office at 723-0637.

## Family Payment Schedules

Please sign and return your Family Payment Schedule for the 2008-2009 school year as soon as possible. Family Payment Schedules received after the **April 30<sup>th</sup> due date** will be subject to a \$50.00 (non-refundable) administration fee, and placement cannot be guaranteed.

## Heritage Day

Our school will be hosting a Heritage Day. The purpose of this event will be to celebrate each family's background and their heritage. The children will be setting up their displays at 1:00 on **May 1<sup>st</sup>**. The classes will take turns viewing each other's work and then parents and parishioners will have an opportunity to see the displays from 2:30 - 3:00. All students are requested to return to school at 6:30 p.m. for an evening presentation. We will also have some performances at that time. Please have your child at school by 6:15 p.m. and they should be in their school uniform. Our evening activity should end around 7:30 p.m. Everyone's attendance is required. See you there!

### Parents' Auxiliary Meeting

The next PA meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the school staffroom on **Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please come!

### Nominations for School Council

John Paul II School is seeking nominations for local School Council members. In order to make our school the best possible place for all the children, we need dedicated, committed parents and parishioners as members of our School Council. To be eligible for Council, you must be:

- 19 years or older, AND
- a parent or legal guardian of a child at the school, OR
- a member of a Catholic parish in the diocese

Our School Council needs individuals with a variety of skills and backgrounds. Members are expected to attend monthly meetings, and serve as committee heads (e.g. marketing, buildings and grounds, finance). You may put your own name forward or you may nominate someone else to serve on Council (ask them first!). Nomination forms are available at the office.

If you have any questions or are interested in serving on Council, please contact Mrs. Korman. Come and join the Council and help make our school a great place for the children.

**BECAUSE OUR KIDS ARE WORTH IT!**