

St. Alphonsus School News

Third Term - June 2017



History in the making!

Imagine, what will this area
look like in the years to come?

From The Principal

Putting One's House in Order

Like most, this school year has been busy. I usually get asked in the spring if things are winding down at school. Truthfully, May and June are often the most hectic times around here. As the pace accelerates and demands at school increase, I find I spend less time attending to things on the home front. Priorities, I suppose and knowing that once the figurative dust settles at school, I can get to the literal dust at home. My often used mantra, "I can deal with that later," has resulted in all manner of items accumulating in spare rooms, drawers, bookshelves and closets. An annual summer ritual for me is sifting through these neglected spaces and deciding what should stay and what should go. It always seems a bit daunting at the outset...seriously, how do we get so much stuff?

It would seem we are not alone. There are entire industries dedicated to helping people organize their stuff. Storage units have popped up like weeds all over the city. Books and magazines dedicated to the cause fill shelves at stores, along with containers of every imaginable size and shape to corral assorted belongings. Television shows and websites propose solutions, all in the pursuit of putting one's house in order. Some perspective here, we are not auditioning for *Hoarders* by any stretch, but neither are we likely to be featured in *Better Homes and Gardens*.

I recently came across an author, Marie Kondo, who has successfully capitalized on this trend. Her best-seller, *Spark Joy*, offers advice on tidying and organization. The title captures the essence of her system; do your things spark joy? If not, get rid of them. Although I haven't read her book, I found the concept intriguing. Joy implies a deeper feeling, different from the sense of satisfaction one might get, however fleeting, when you find a bargain at the mall. If I look around my house, there are items that I have a stronger connection to, others much less so. Where does this emotional attachment come from? The sand dollars from the beach, the pin made in nursery school, an old dog collar, a toy sewing machine all have something in common. They are reminders of relationships and experiences that have shaped my life. It isn't the things themselves, it is the memories they evoke of a special person, place or time. Really, it is these aspects of life, the living of it, that bring us true and lasting happiness.

Summers are fleeting. So, although I will spend some rainy days sorting through our rubble and dropping off bags and boxes at the Goodwill, my plan is to spend as much of the time as possible doing those things that are most important. Putting one's house in order is less about tidying and organizing than it is about discerning priorities, after all. For me that will entail visiting with family and friends, enjoying time in nature, walking dogs and reading a great book or two. I hope that your summer is also filled with opportunities to nurture important relationships and to make wonderful memories. And if that means we end up with a few more cherished mementoes, it's okay. One can always find room in the house for things that have found a place in one's heart.

Peace,
Christine McInnis



St Alphonsus School

Annual Community Report 2016-2017

Each school in the province must provide an annual school report for the community. The purpose of the report is to share some school profile information, report on various steps taken to meet school improvement goals and to outline other action plans underway in the school. Please take some time to review this report. Should you have any questions or comments regarding any information therein, or if you would like to have input regarding plans for the coming year, please contact the principal or one of the School Board members. You are also welcome to share your ideas at the school board meeting on Monday, September 11th or at the PALS meeting on Tuesday, September 12th. Your ideas are welcome and play an important role in shaping the school's direction and future.

School Profile

St. Alphonsus School is a K-8 Catholic School. This year, the student population was 230, and the staff consisted of fourteen certified teachers, five instructional aides, an office manager, a financial administrator, a building manager and a custodian. As well as providing the provincial core curriculum, the school offers religious instruction, basic French instruction (grade 1-8) and resource support.

School Plan 2016-2017

One of the tasks of the school administration is to develop a plan in consultation with the various members of the community, including staff, students and parents. Many of the initiatives pursued by schools require a long term approach for implementation. As a result, most school plans encompass more than one school year. This practice has been the case in our school. After priorities were identified, strategies were developed in alignment with our goals. The plan was formalized and put into effect. Our staff has found that choosing one of the goals as our primary focus for each of the three years of the school plan allows us to move more deeply into the goal. This year our focus was Art Education.

Numerical Comprehension: To develop students' ability to think creatively and persist when solving mathematical problems.

The area of numerical comprehension has been a focus at the school for a number of years, as members of the teaching staff are keenly aware of the importance of these foundational skills for students' future success. This year, teachers have spent time in direct teaching of problem solving including modeling the thought process needed to solve problems. Teachers have attended in-services and brought the information back to our staff meetings. This area will continue as a priority focus for the upcoming school year.

Sustainability Education

Sustainability was an important focus this year. Staff used professional development time to begin the process of developing a school plan specific to education for sustainable development (ESD). Anne McDiarmid, from Manitoba Education, helped us to frame our ideas around ESD. We discussed ways to authentically engage students in these topics across curricular areas. We reviewed the foundations for sustainable development and environmental education. Teachers have looked at ways to integrate ESD into their lessons. Although we haven't officially launched an ESD student group, we are looking forward to establishing one in the fall, perhaps in conjunction with the Green evolution Club (aka Plant Club).

Annual Community Report cont'd

The staff talked about ways in which we can educate students to become better stewards of our planet, as well as ways in which the school community can model this stewardship through the decisions we make. We decide one small step would be to refrain from using disposable water bottles for school events. As well, you likely noticed our cool new Sustainability Centre down by the gym. We investigated composting, but we will hold off on implementing that initiative until after our expansion project is completed.

Inclusion

Our school staff strives to meet the needs of all learners in our care. This year we refocused on this goal, looking at how we differentiate instruction across all subject areas. We hosted a professional development day that looked at how to broaden the scope of lessons. Our resource teacher planned collaboratively with classroom teachers on a regular basis.

Moving Forward

The Province of Manitoba is implementing a new ELA curriculum. Our staff anticipates spending time through the summer and fall engaging in professional dialogue around this new curriculum.

In Summary

It has been a busy year at the school, with much growth and change. We are working towards our priorities while remaining responsive to the emerging needs of the students and the community. Thank you to all members of the community—students, staff and parents— for your ongoing support of the school. Together we make St. Alphonsus School a great place to be.



Looking Back

As is always the case, the spring term has sped by!

April

The Grade 5 , 6, 7 & 8 classes attended **Youth Rallies** on April 26th at the Immaculate Conception Parish. These events gathered students from all across Winnipeg to listen to a speaker and learn more about their faith.

Gala Dinner took place on Saturday, April 29th. Once again this year, we were at the Hotel Fort Garry and was by all accounts a fabulous evening and a tremendous success. The Gala committee has included a report, which can be found later in this newsletter.

May

Our grade seven and eight students, along with a hardy group of staff and parents, headed out to **Winkler Bible Camp** in mid May . Although we had a couple of mishaps, the trip was wonderful and everyone had a fabulous time. On the 24th, our junior high friends had their annual



Spring Theatre . This year’s musical, Tales from Camp Midnight was a great success. Thanks go to Mr. Cox for his fine work with the students.



On Saturday May, 28th more than 60 school members took part in Colour Me Rad. It was a great deal of fun, messy and smelly! Thanks you to Miss V for organizing and for everyone for being part of the St. Als team!



June

June has gone by in the blink of an eye. There are always a number of end of the year field trips and spontaneous activities that keep everyone’s spirits high.

Our grade 4-8 friends had the opportunity to participate in the **Knights of Columbus Track Meets** held out at the University of Manitoba. The athletes had a great time and represented our school very well.

June 15th was our nursery farewell. It’s always fun to celebrate these milestones. Thank you to Ms Dona and Ms Catherine for all your work in making this program a success!



The **Family Barbeque** was held on June 22nd . Although the weather was somewhat tenuous, it was a rocking event, as usual. As always the food was delicious, the candy scramble was a riot and oh, that foam pit! Thank you to our PALS crew, and especially to Lisa Rowbotham, for all your fine work in organizing this event. It is a great way for the community to celebrate our year together.



June cont'd

June 23rd was supposed to be our Kildonan Park Fun Day. Mother nature had other plans, so we spent the day back at school having fun in other ways. Hopefully we will have better luck next year!

June 28th was our **Kindergarten Farewell**. This event makes me feel wistful about the passage of time. It goes by very quickly, whether it is a year of kindergarten or thirteen years of school. The Farewell was very touching ; thank you to Mrs. Mattis and Mr. Cox for your fine work with the students. Parents, don't blink; it will be grade 8 Farewell for these tykes before we know it.



Of course, we said farewell to our current grade eight crew on **June 28th**. After a formal photo, we celebrated liturgy, followed by an awards ceremony in the gym. Our parent crew prepared a great reception for the students and their guests. Thanks to everyone who helped make this a special day.

Looking Forward

August

The school office reopens on August 23nd.

September

Our **first day of school** for grade 1-8 students is Wednesday, September 6th. Our new kindergarten friends will receive information during the summer that will tell parents what their schedule will be.

On **Thursday, September 14th** we will be holding our annual combination **Meet the Teacher** evening and **Family Terry Fox Walk**. The Meet the Teacher portion of the evening will run from 5:00– 6:00, followed by a hot dog supper and finally a family walk through the community in support of the Terry Fox Foundation. More information about the evening, along with an order form for the aforementioned hotdogs, will come home at the beginning of the new school year. This will be a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher, reconnect with friends in the community and support a worthwhile cause.

The PALS Wine Tasting Fundraiser will be held on **Friday, September 29th** at Holy Eucharist Parish Centre. A silent auction letter and information on tickets will be coming home with your child's report card. In the meantime if you have any prizes to donate, set them aside for September.

Lunch Lady Returns!

Our Lunch Lady Program is being re-started for the fall with a new person at the helm. We have targeted Thursdays as our day again. Look for information coming out in September, I can hear the cheers of parents and students from here!

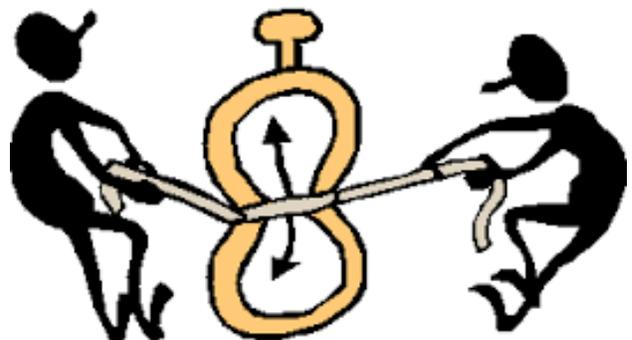


Change in the School Day

We are extending our lunch hour to 45 minutes to allow for a slightly longer break for the children. In order to add the time, without taking away from important learning time, we are going to beginning a little earlier in the fall. Here is the new and improved school day:

8:25 AM	First Bell
8:30 AM	Second Bell & Announcements
9:50-10:05 AM	Morning Recess
11:25-11:50 AM	Lunch Recess
11:50-12:10PM	Lunch Eating Time
1:25-1:40 PM	Afternoon Recess
3:00 PM	Dismissal

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office.



Social Justice– Generation Now

The Generation Now Social Justice Committee has done a lot of learning and fundraising this past school year. We thank you for the support you have generously provided to help make a difference in the lives of others. First of all, thank you for all the non-perishable food items collected at each school mass. These items have been sent to Winnipeg Harvest.

Second, thank you for your donations and support for the BraveStone Centre (<http://bravestonecentre.ca>) in Winnipeg. Generation Now! members created a PowerPoint to illustrate the important work of the BraveStone Centre in helping women and their children break the cycle of abuse. We collected donations to be used by BraveStone families and sold beautifully handmade woven cross key-chains to fundraise for them. A donation to BraveStone was also made on behalf of each guest reader during I Love to Read Month. In total, we raised \$530.00 For BraveStone! Thank you so much for your generosity and interest.

Lastly, our second fundraising campaign focused on Chalice Canada (<http://www.chalice.ca>). Chalice Canada is a Catholic organization that works closely with lay people, religious missionaries and local communities in their efforts to provide care for the many children and elderly caught in the dehumanizing grip of extreme poverty and lack of education in developing countries. Through our Paint Night on June 1st, Generation Now! raised \$560 for Chalice Canada! Thank you to everyone that showed their support and came out to enjoy a wonderful evening of fundraising, painting, socializing and dessert!



Thank you from the bottom of our hearts,
Generation Now

P.S. We are looking forward to expanding our social justice efforts next year to include some of the early-years students as well! Students can listen for details over the announcements in the fall to see how they can participate in the school's social justice efforts! Stay tuned to hear more about our focus next year... water!

Student Government

Happy end of year from Student Government... and what a year it has been! In term three the student government has been busy with activities and contests. At the beginning of the term we held an Easter theme colouring contest for all the classes with prizes for the best decorated Easter egg and had some candy guessing contests, yum! . We also continued the staff trivia. It sure was fun to learn the interesting facts about the various adults who work in the building! Thank you to all the contest participants, we hope you enjoyed your prizes. Student government also held a bake sale and canteen to raise funds in term three. And, of course, we had a sock hop for the entire school to celebrate Gala! With all the profits raised this year, Student Government plans to fund the purchase of another water bottle refilling station for the water fountain across from the office. Thank you for coming out to our events and thank you to the Student Government members for your hard work.

Jennifer Pieczonka
Student Government Supervisor

Cooking Club

Many of us were fortunate to grow up with parents and grandparents, neighbors and friends who cooked and gardened, sharing with us the value and pleasure of food. Growing, cooking, and eating fresh foods became a cherished part of our lives. Food and cooking brings people together. Cooking club has been a place where we gather as a school community. It is a place where children are empowered to make healthy food choices. Children are a part of the entire preparation process through hands on learning. We made some wonderful meals along with cherished memories this year in cooking club.



I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents who volunteered and all of the students who were involved in cooking club this year. Cooking club would not have been possible without all of the volunteers who rolled up their sleeves and pitched in. Thank you for sharing your time and talents with us. Please join us in the fall for another year full of fun in the kitchen. Have a wonderful summer everyone! Happy cooking!

Mrs. Whitney

Here are some delicious snacks for you and your family to enjoy this summer.

Fruit Dip

½ cup Greek yogurt

2 TBSP honey or maple syrup

¼ cup wow butter, peanut butter or almond butter

¼ tsp. cinnamon (optional)

Mix all these ingredients together in a small bowl. Serve with your favorite fruit. We love it with apple slices.

Salsa Fresca

5 medium tomatoes cut into bite sized pieces

1-2 jalapenos, seeded and diced into tiny pieces (once seeds are removed, jalapenos lose their intensity)

1 clove garlic, minced

¼ purple onion, diced into small pieces

3 TBSP fresh lime juice (about 2 limes)

1 tsp. salt

¼ tsp pepper

2 Tbsp fresh cilantro, finely chopped (you may substitute parsley if you're not a cilantro fan)

Mix all ingredients together in a glass bowl. You can make this salsa ahead to let the flavors meld together. It can keep for about 2 days in the fridge. Serve with tortilla chips and enjoy!

This is a great base recipe; feel free to add in anything else, some suggestions are: black beans, corn, mango, pineapple, red pepper and avocado. Be creative!

From the Gym

It has been another fine year down in the gym. Through the course of the year, we have had a variety of programs both in the school and inter-school that have provided students with opportunities to be active and enjoy a healthy level of competition. Students have developed a strong sense of fair play and sportspersonship, while improving their fitness and skill levels.

Our inter-school sports program continues to thrive. In the fall, the gym was hopping with four volleyball teams on the go. After Christmas, basketball took over. Our teams dribbled, passed and shot their way through the season and had a lot of fun on the way. Badminton club was well attended and the students' skills improved greatly over the course of the season. A large number of students participated in the after school club. The top finishers had the opportunity to participate in the MCSAA tournament at the end of April. Students in grades 4-8 had the opportunity to participate in the Knights of Columbus Track and Field Meets held in June at the University of Manitoba. Our athletes represented our school well and many earned personal bests.

Our final sports club of the year was Running Club. More than 40 students registered and attended the club over the spring. It was great to see their dedication through the snow, rain and wind. Great job, everyone! This year we had the opportunity to take part in our second annual Colour Me Rad run. The event was a lot of fun, great motivation to stay active. Thank you, Miss V, for organizing the team, I am sure our group will continue to grow next year.

It takes a team of dedicated staff and parents to provide these experiences for our children. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped out this year through coaching, supervising and supporting our students. Looking forward to the fall, we will be starting volleyball for the upper grades early in September. If you are interested in helping with our teams, if you have an idea for a great extracurricular club or if you have any questions about our programs, please do not hesitate to stop by the gym. I'd be happy to speak with you. Stay fit this summer!

Blake McInnis
PE Teacher



Yearbook Committee

Once again, the yearbook committee worked hard to compile all the memories of the school year. A big thanks goes out to the students and staff who spearheaded this undertaking. It may seem like a thankless job, but for the persons involved, we had a lot of fun and in the end it was our pleasure to take on such a great task. It required much time, but if you already like attending school events, it is a fun way to get involved with the school activities!

I would like to recognize a job well done. The committee had many opportunities to get to know each other and help one another through challenges. I would especially like to thank a member of our team who is moving on to a new and exciting school. Zenya, thank you for your dedication and hard work these past three years on the yearbook committee. We will miss you! We wish all the best in your future endeavours.

Yearbook Committee

Ukrainian Club

Ukrainian club is a hugely rewarding experience and provides a great opportunity to develop an understanding of a culture different from your own. Being part of the club, provided an opportunity for its members to have an excellent experience, and to be a part of an all inclusive for all students at St. Alphonsus School.

The purpose of Ukrainian Club was to learn about and enjoy the culture of the area historically associated with Eastern Europe. The Ukrainian Club provides a fun atmosphere for students in the program, regardless of cultural backgrounds, to get together and celebrate culture while forming new friendships.

We wrote pysanky for the Easter celebration. We completed our final celebration with a feast of varynyky, holubsti, Kobassa and Nalysnyky. Delving into the culinary arts is everyone's favourite part of Ukrainian Club!

The experience of learning a language is an accelerating opportunity for all. Not only did the club members learn the Ukrainian language, but shared and compared similarities from other languages from different cultures.

Метою українського клубу було дізнатися і насолодитися культурою району, історично пов'язаного зі Східною Європою. Український клуб пропонує веселу атмосферу для студентів в програмі, незалежно від культурних традицій, зібратися разом і відсвяткувати культуру, формуючи нові знайомства.

Досвід вивчення мови є прискорює можливістю для всіх. Мало того, що члени клубу вивчає українську мову, але загальне і порівняв схожість з інших мов з різних культур.



Mr. Veryha

French

Quel plaisir c'était enseigner un merveilleux groupe d'étudiants cette année. Nous avons beaucoup d'amusement explorant la langue française. Entretenez le travail super tout le monde! Aussi, merci à tous les étudiants, des parents et le personnel de m'avoir fait senti tellement bienvenue à l'école St. Alphonsus. J'espère que vous avez un été fabuleux!!

What a pleasure it was working with such a fabulous group of students this year. We had a lot of fun exploring the French language. Keep up the great work everyone, and thank you to all students, parents, and staff for making me feel so welcome at St. Alphonsus School. Have a fabulous summer!!



Au revoir,
Madame Medeiros

5 Reasons to Learn a Second Language:

1. Foreign language study leads to an appreciation of cultural diversity.
2. Analytical skills improve and creativity is increased when students study a foreign language.
3. International travel is made easier and more pleasant through knowing a foreign language.
4. Skills like problem solving, and dealing with abstract concepts are increased when you study a foreign language.
5. Foreign languages also open the door to art, music, dance, fashion, cuisine, film, science, etc.

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"Change your language and you change your thoughts."

–Karl Albrecht

"Learning another language is not only learning different words for the same things, but learning another way to think about things."

–Flora Lewis

"Knowledge of languages is the doorway to wisdom."

–Roger Bacon



# Nursery News

It's time to say, "Good-bye."  
Our year has come to an end.  
I've made more cherished memories,  
And many more new friends.

I've watched you all learn and grow,  
And change from day to day.  
I hope that all the things we've done,  
Have helped in some small way.

So it's with happy memories,  
I send you out the door.  
With great hope and expectations,  
For what next year holds in store.

Ms Dona and Ms Catherine



# PALS

This has been a terrific year! On behalf of PALS we would like to thank all of our families who have contributed in ways small, large and everything in-between. Your continued support of events, time and those who attend monthly PALS meetings are very much appreciated. Thank you to Mr. Cox for his continued support and time with PALS . Thank you to Mr, Lambert and Mr. Kudajczyk for their support and assistance with PALS events . As well thank you to Mrs. Resendes for getting the order forms together, collecting orders, getting the minutes out and all kinds of other odds and ends she does for PALS . Much appreciated !

Special thanks to Michelle Davison who coordinated our Glenlea Fundraiser, the Halloween Social committee , Lisa Rowbotham for organizing the school end BBQ, and all that have helped with lunches and other PALS events. These are great events and all take time and with your leadership and hard work we all benefit from the fun and fundraising. I would also like to put a special thank you and farewell to Darlene Cherniak for all her support over the years on the PALS committee. You will be missed!

If you missed last years exciting wine tasting fundraiser, mark your calendars and spread the word ! This years wine tasting will be Friday, September 29, 2017 at 7 PM at Holy Eucharist Hall . Details and tickets will be available in the Fall. If you wish to contribute to this fun event please contact the office and Patti will be happy to forward your contact information to the committee.

Wishing everyone a safe and fun-filled summer with your families.

Many Thanks,  
Sherri Poklar  
Chair

# Hot Lunch

Thank you to everyone who helped make this years monthly hot lunch program a success! We were able to enjoy some old favorites, and added new restaurants to our rotation. If you have any suggestions for a hot lunch or would like to earn volunteer incentive hours please contact me at [baziukc@mymts.net](mailto:baziukc@mymts.net). I wish you all a safe and joy filled summer holiday!

Christine Polet

## *Family BBQ Fun!*



Save the Date!



*PALS is planning a*  
Wine Tasting Fundraiser!

Date: Friday, September 29th

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Holy Eucharist Parish Center

*Delicious Snacks!*

*Great Evening Out!*

*Silent Auction!*

*Learn about and sample  
different wines!*

Support your

**CHILDREN'S SCHOOL!**

# Gala

It's the end of June...where has the time gone?? On behalf of the Gala Committee, we would like to thank everyone once again for the outstanding support that made this year's Gala such a memorable and successful night!! The Casino Royale theme, offered elegance and class with its talented entertainers, delicious food, amazing prizes and the exciting "high roller" Casino. Shaken or stirred it was an evening we won't soon forget!!

This unforgettable evening would not have been possible without the support of our St. Alphonsus families, our very generous sponsors and silent auction donors. Thank you, thank you, thank you for putting the odds in our favor!!! The event would not have been so elegantly executed and fun filled without the countless hours and energy given by the Gala XXVIII Planning Committee! This talented and creative team had been planning for eight months, ensuring that all the details were in place, to create a successful fundraising event for our school.

We accomplished so many things at this Gala; we brought together our St. Alphonsus families and created and celebrated a sense of community between us and making lasting memories. We also honoured two of our Gr. 8 students who were presented the Gala Award, which recognized their academic excellence along with their volunteerism. Congratulations to Tia Cummins and Arianna Nagy! Finally, we are thrilled to announce that this year's Gala event raised just over **\$35,000!**

In closing we are very thankful to have been a part of the Gala journey and look forward to planning Gala XXIX!!!

Have a wonderful summer,

Melanie Bilenky and Starlene Mosienko  
Gala 28 Co-Chairs



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# Thank You !!!

# Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of our Gala Dinner Silent Auction, your support is greatly appreciated!

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## Staff Roster 2017-2018

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|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Kindergarten              | Elissa Mattis/ Tracy Medeiros |
| Grade 1                   | Kelly Ireland                 |
| Grade 2                   | Allan Sharman                 |
| Grade 3                   | Helen Dembicki                |
| Grade 4                   | Taras Veryha                  |
| Grade 5                   | Jennifer Pieczonka            |
| Grade 6                   | Lucia Whitney                 |
| Grade 7                   | Marlene van der Zweep         |
| Grade 8                   | Bonnie Slobodian              |
| French                    | Kristen Curwain               |
| Physical Education        | Blake McInnis                 |
| Music                     | John Cox                      |
| Resource                  | Michelle Wolf                 |
| Educational Assistants    | Cynthia Wandowich             |
|                           | Kerry Babiuk                  |
|                           | Gail Bommersbach              |
|                           | Teresa Swingle                |
|                           | Danielle Patrick              |
|                           | Gyan de los Reyes             |
| Librarian                 | Kerry Babiuk                  |
| Nursery Teacher           | Dona Ludwick                  |
| Nursery Assistant         | Catherine Zechel              |
| Technology Support        | Alan Beilman                  |
| Circle of Friends Program | Rose Sinclair                 |
|                           | Gail Bommersbach              |
|                           | Danielle Patrick              |
|                           | Gina Borges                   |
| Office Manager            | Patti Resendes                |
| Financial Administrator   | Kim LeHeiget                  |
| Principal                 | Christine McInnis             |
| Vice Principal            | John Cox                      |
| Building Manager          | Richard Lambert               |
| Evening Custodian         | Robert Kudajczyk              |

# Congratulations, Farewell & Thank You

Congratulations to all of our students for working hard and successfully completing the school year!

Thank you to the staff for your dedicated service to the school community. You have worked hard over the past ten months to ensure that our students have had quality learning experiences.

Thank you to the School Board for your guidance and leadership over the course of the year.

Thank you to the PALS committee for your dedication to the students and the school. You have provided us with the materials we need and the great events that make us a stronger community.

Thank you to the Gala committee who ran such a spectacular event. Your energy and drive are amazing and produce incredible results.

Thank you to all the parent volunteers who have helped with special events, field trips and learning activities.

Thank you to the coaches (staff and parents) for your leadership and helping students develop their athletic abilities and sportspersonship.

Congratulations to the Student Council for a successful year of leadership and thank you for your generous purchase of recess sports equipment for the upcoming school year.

Farewell to the students who will be moving on to other schools. We wish you all the best. Work hard in your new schools.

Goodbye, Mr. Martin! Thank you for your work with our grade eight crew this year. We wish you all the best as you take on your new position at St. Emile School.

Au revoir, Madame Medeiros, and thank you for teaching us French this year! We know we will see you soon, though, as you take the reins in Kindergarten in the fall.



## *The Graduating Class of 2017*



Grade Eight Friends, you have been a real pleasure to work with over the years. We wish you happiness, health and continued success as you venture out into the big wide world.

*I pray that your love will overflow more and more and you will keep on growing in knowledge and understanding.*

*-Phillipians 1:9*

**Joshua Aitkenhead  
Matilde Almeida  
Mauro Azinha  
Matthew Babiuk  
Jershwin Barrientos  
Ryan Cherniak  
Tia Cummins  
Brynne Downey  
Agnes Duhoux  
Cameron Hibbert  
Paul Houston  
Evan Johnston  
Carter Knight  
Jackson Leschinsky  
Zachery Luedtke  
Benjamin Marana  
Arianna Nagy  
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Brian Nider  
Hayden Piche  
Jenna Semenko  
Themi Simeonidis  
Arenna Solis  
Nicolas Tamayo  
Jenna Trent  
Zanya Veryha**

