ST. ALPHONSUS SCHOOL INC. 2018-2019

First day of school: Wednesday, September 5th, 2018 (School busses available) First bell: 8:25 a.m./Dismissal: 3:00 p.m.

Parents are invited to the gym for refreshments at 8:30 a.m. on September 5th.

The first three days of school are COLOUR DAYS.

SUPPLY LIST – GRADE 2

Dear Families,

Instead of having parents purchase school supplies for their children, I will be buying the supplies that the students will need throughout the course of the year. This fee is paid at the time of registration.

There are two reasons for this. It will save you time and will allow for the uniformity of school supplies. Secondly, and most importantly, it facilitates the centre-based learning approach that we implement in the primary grades. This trend in education emphasizes collaborative thinking and planning, group work, and the application of skills learned in centres. Central purchasing of supplies ensures that the proper materials are available for the children to use. Initially, I will purchase basic supplies such as pencils, crayons, markers, glue sticks, scrapbooks, and any other items needed to begin the year. I will also be purchasing essential supplies throughout the year that will allow me to provide an engaging grade two program. This program will feature a variety of hands-on activities that will enhance your child's understanding of the educational concepts being studied and make his/her learning experience pleasurable.

Naturally, the parents must still provide certain personal items. They are listed below:

- 1. 1 box of facial tissues (please print your child's name on it)
- 2. A knapsack or school bag large enough for lunch kit & other essentials (not sports equipment size and must be able to be hung on a hook).
- 3. Outside shoes and inside shoes.

These should be proper running shoes with short laces, or Velcro tabs, as they will also be used for gym class. **Please make sure your child can tie his/her laces independently.** (Velcro is recommended until the children are able to tie their laces independently.) When choosing lace up shoes, please check the length of the laces. Laces can easily be stepped on if the length is too long, leading to potential accidents. During the fall and spring, students may be outdoors for Physical Education Classes. A suitable pair of outdoor shoes is required during these seasons.

4. A complete change of clothing, including a pair of socks, pants, shirt, underwear. This set of clothing will remain at school all year to be available for "emergency" situations. This set does not have to be a school uniform. PLEASE PUT ITEMS IN A LARGE ZIPPED PLASTIC BAG WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON IT.

Please remember: All uniforms and other clothing must be clearly marked so that lost items can be easily returned.

Sincerely, Mr. Allan Sharman