

SJF Hands News

St. John Fisher Home and School Association Newsletter



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HOME AND SCHOOL
ASSOCIATION



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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sept. 1, 6:30pm @ Sr
SJF Annual General Mtg.

Sept. 7, 6:15pm @ Sr
Curriculum Night

Sept. 8, 6:15pm @ Jr
Curriculum Night

Sept. 9 @ lunchtime
Corn Boil for all Students
'Welcome Back to School!'

Sept. 13, 7:00pm @ Jr
Welcome to SJF:
Wine & Cheese

Sept. 16
Picture Day

Sept. 21, 7:00pm @ Jr
Hands Meeting

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! Home & School (Hands) has many activities planned for this coming year and many ways for you to get involved in the school life of your child.

September is a busy time - Please take note of the WHAT'S HAPPENING dates. Hands will be hosting a **Wine & Cheese** evening on September 13th. If you're new to SJF plan to attend and bring a friend. Please RSVP at sjfhands@gmail.com to help us prepare for the evening.

I will take this time to give a **call out for volunteers** to help with the **corn boil** for the students on September 9th. Help is needed to cook and serve, between 8am and 1:30pm. If you have any time to give during these hours let us know .

while I'm at it, volunteers are needed for **picture day** - making sure classes are on time for their picture (give one hour or a few) and someone to collect the order forms (a few weeks following picture day). Please send Hands an email if you can lend a hand with either activity. Thanks!

A membership form and volunteer form will be sent home. Please fill them out and send them back to school with your child as soon as possible. Everyone is welcome to attend Hands meetings although only members are able to vote. Let your vote be your voice and become a member of Hands!

That's all for now and enjoy the ride of parenthood!

Regards,
Sandra Gesualdi
Hands President

Oct. 19, 7:00pm @ Sr
Hands Meeting

Oct. 27, 6:30pm
The SJF Social



Points of Interest



2016 Annual General Meeting

September 1st at the Senior School

6:30pm Junior Meeting and Governing Board Election

7:30pm Senior Meeting and Governing Board Election

Welcome to SJF Wine & Cheese

Tuesday September 13th @ Junior School, 7:00pm

New to SJF or would like to meet more people in our school community?

Come out and get to know other parents and see what's planned for this coming year!

Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn.

Benjamin Franklin

BY THE NUMBERS

FundScrip
2015-2016 Earnings
\$1156.00

H&S will match this amount; for a total of **\$2312.00** given to classroom libraries = more books for our kids to read!
Thank you for using FundScrip!

Editions Vaudreuil
165+ orders

SJF Apparel
Stock is selling!
Coming soon...
Pictures and order form will be posted on the school website

Thank You!



HAVE YOU FILLED OUT YOUR HOME + SCHOOL (HANDS) MEMBERSHIP FORM AND VOLUNTEER FORM?

THEY WILL BE SENT HOME AND YOU CAN FIND THEM ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE UNDER H+S NOTICES. GET INVOLVED WHERE IT MATTERS - IN THE LIVES OF OUR KIDS!

FundScrip

We sell chocolate, oranges or cookies! We sell FundScrip! What's FundScrip you may ask? It's a fundraising program where **you** can purchase gift cards at face value (no extra charge) and a percentage is given to the school = funds for our school. This is an on-going fundraiser at SJF and is successful if everyone gets involved.

If you buy food, gas, and/or other purchases (over 100 suppliers) through FundScrip, we have the opportunity to raise many thousands of dollars for our classrooms. Orders are done online and delivered to school weekly and sent home via your child. All envelopes arrive sealed and are placed in your child's schoolbag.

ORDERING BEGINS TODAY!!

Not yet registered? It's easy...

Log onto www.fundscrip.com and plug in the school code **XR6ERY**

Have a question? Contact H&S: sjfhands@gmail.com

HandS Hub

On August 27th, The HandS Hub was set up to sell SJF Apparel and FundScrip cards at the same time as the Editions Vaudreuil school supply pick up. If you missed the sale, **SJF Apparel** is always available. Send an email to sjfhands@gmail.com with your order request. Pictures and order form available on the school website. **Your order is one email away!**

LONG SLEEVE TEE \$15
JOGGING PANTS \$20
HOODIE (ZIP UP) \$35
MESH SHORTS \$15

T-SHIRT \$10
HOODIE \$28
TUQUE \$10
FLAT CAP \$20
TRADITIONAL CAP \$10

on sale throughout the year via their website.

*Keep hats, mittens and things...put a label on them!
Place your order today!*

www.oliverslabels.com/sjfhomeandschool

*TCBY order forms will be coming your way soon!
A cool way to fundraise!!*

PIZZA AND SUB LUNCHES ARE OFFERED MONTHLY AT BOTH SCHOOLS.

ORDER FORMS WILL BE SENT HOME LATER IN SEPTEMBER.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

LUNCHES AT JR ARE COORDINATED BY HANDS AS A FUNDRAISER.

LUNCHES AT SR ARE COORDINATED BY DAYCARE.



Annual General Meeting

September 1st 2016 @ Senior School



As a parent at SJF Elementary, it is in your best interest to attend the AGM, and get up to date on school affairs. What happens at this meeting? The Governing Board's (GB) Annual Report will be presented, the 2016/17 GB election will take place and the Regional Parent Representative (to attend Regional Meetings at the Lester B. Pearson School Board) will also be elected. Your vote counts because these parents represent YOU - at our school and at the Board.

Although we act as one school community (many activities are done together), according to the government, we are considered as two schools and for this reason, according to the law, we have separate Governing Boards.

- The meeting will take place at the Senior School gymnasium.
- The Junior School AGM will begin at 6:30pm
- The Senior School AGM will begin at 7:30pm.
- If you have children at both schools, you are eligible to vote in both GB elections. Nominations for GB positions will be accepted at the meeting.

For more information about the GB, please refer to the school website:
under Jr or Sr Campus, then click Governing Board.

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From the same people who brought you the SJF Shindig, now presenting.....

The SJF Social

On Thursday October 27th, Home and School will be hosting an adults-only evening including dinner, raffle prizes, entertainment and decadent dessert.

Tickets will go on sale in October. The antipasto bar and dinner will be catered by
- look them up on facebook, it's sure to be delicious! A fun evening is planned for our parent community. As there are a limited number of tickets available, please order your tickets promptly once the order form is send sent home.

All funds raised from this evening will help defray the cost of student outings/activities.

Soooo book the sitter and plan to attend a fun evening with friends!

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2016-2017 Home & School Executive Team

Amanda Pelletier, Treasurer
Angela Micciche, Fundraising Coordinator
Lisa Marie Foye, Membership Coordinator
Cindy Norman, Recording Secretary
Daphne Daifas, Vice-President
Sandra Gesualdi, President

***The first HandS meeting of the year will be
 Wednesday September 21st @ Junior School, 7:00pm - Meet & Greet 2016***

This will be a planning meeting for many activities that will take place throughout the year. Don't come alone - bring a friend!



THANK YOU!! To the Grade 5 Families

It has been a long-standing tradition at SJF, that Grade 5 families 'pay-it-forward' to the graduating families, by providing the reception following the graduation ceremony. The reception was a great success!! There was plenty of food and the gym looked amazing. A BIG THANK YOU to the gr. 7 SJF Student Alumni, Kim Harper, Alison Hanessian and Carolyn Cunnison for helping to transport all the food, setting up and cleaning up afterwards.

THANK YOU from the gr.6 families to Alison Hanessian, Andrea Glover and Sandra Gesualdi for decorating the auditorium for the graduation ceremony - it looked very special indeed!



Annual Family BBQ Update



*Coming together is a beginning;
keeping together is progress;
working together is success!*

Henry Ford

The BBQ took place on June 1st at the Senior School schoolyard. As usual, we had a great time - kids playing in the field, friends getting together and we had amazing weather!

We ate 775 hamburgers, 660 hotdogs, 610 toby cups, drank 380 bottles of water and 768 cans of soft drinks along with 300 bags of chips minus the 15 bags of ketchup chips left over! That's a lot of food! The BBQ was cash & carry for the first time; there were a few glitches and we thank you for your patience. Changes are already in place for this coming year's BBQ. If you are interested in joining the BBQ planning team please contact H&S.

News from the Archives

The following is taken from the school newsletter, Valois Ventures, October 1990:

A Peel For Peace

On Tuesday, September 18, we celebrated 'A Peel for Peace Day'. The theme this year was 'Peace with the Earth'. Each class participated in a variety of related activities during the day. We all wore something green, and at 11:00am we met to observe a moment's silence and then made a joyous sound with our natural noise makers.

We also planted a tree which was a very nice donation from Pointe Claire Nursery and Mr. Charlie of Charlie's Excavation kindly dug our hole for us. Many thanks to these fine folks!

STAYING IN TOUCH

- ❑ School website
- ❑ Hands bulletin boards at the school and daycare entrances
- ❑ SJF Hands News
- ❑ Emails
- ❑ Check your child's school bag for notices

Home & School meetings take place the third (3rd) Wednesday of each month at 7pm, alternating schools each month.

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!

Have a question? Contact Home & School at sifhands@gmail.com

