

October 30th, 2018

Dear Parents:

Progress Reports will be going home on November 9th, 2018. The fall progress report card places a strong emphasis on the development of students' learning skills and work habits. Students' achievement of six learning skills and habits will be shown on the front page of the progress report card. These are: (1) Responsibility, (2) Organization, (3) Independent Work, (4) Collaboration, (5) Initiative, and (6) Self-Regulation. The development of these skills and habits will be reported as "excellent", "good", "satisfactory" or "needs improvement" and a large space is provided for teacher comments about students' strengths and areas for improvement.

Ministry policy places an emphasis on teachers using the progress report card to conduct rich discussions and proactive interviews or conferences with parents and/or students in the Fall to help establish a positive tone for the remainder of the year. This progress report card indicates for parents how well their children are progressing in all the subjects and provides an early indication of those subjects where the student may need additional help. For each subject area, teachers will check whether the students are: (1) Progressing With Difficulty, (2) Progressing Well, or (3) Progressing Very Well. Please note: Students in ELKP will receive an Initial Observations Report and interviews are strongly encouraged.

NEW ON-LINE PROCEDURE

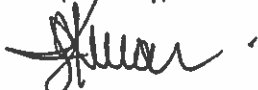
Keeping the lines of communication open throughout the year is an important component for student success. To continue to foster this, St. Joseph's School will be holding Parent Teacher Interviews on Thursday, November 15th from 3:00 to 7:30 p.m. and Friday, November 16th from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Interviews will be 10 minutes in length.

To arrange for a Parent/Teacher Interview -

1. Log into – <http://sjs.schoolappointments.com/> and register for an account by clicking the "REGISTER" menu tab and filling in the on-line form.
2. Add your children into the system by clicking the "Add a Student" button.
3. Once you have selected your date and time, you can print a copy for your reference. A Confirmation Note (of your interview date / time) will not be sent home in your child's report card.
4. A system reminder email will be sent to you about the interview date / time. Your email address is an important piece to automated communication from school. If you do not receive our automated emails and telephone calls from the school, please give us a call so we can check and update your email address on file with us.

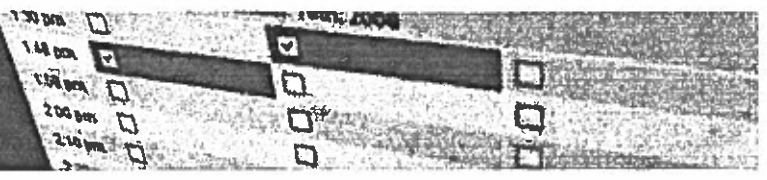
We look forward to meeting with and discussing your child's progress. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Respectfully,





Ms. J. Kuran Principal St. Joseph's School, Simcoe
File: Report Cards

The School Appointments on-line calendar is available to sign-up for Parent/Teacher Interviews from Thursday, November 1st - 13th, 2018.



School Appointments - Parent Instructions

1. Go to our school appointments web site for your school.
2. Register for an account by clicking the "REGISTER" menu tab and filling in the on-line form. Choose a user id and password for yourself and then click the "Register Now" button.
3. Add your children into the system by clicking the "Add a Student" button. Click "Insert New" button to add more children.
4. Click the "date" icon beside each child's name to schedule appointments. Select the staff you wish to book appointments with and the "View Calendars" button. Use the "Ctrl" or "Command" key to select multiple staff to view at the same time.


5. Click on available time slots to book your appointments to make your bookings.

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