

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Everyone!

It might be one of the coldest Marches since 1951 but the warmth and hospitality of you all towards our substitute teachers makes up for the chill on the outside. This week is set aside each year to say a special hello and thank you to all of our support teachers who take care of our children when we are away. On behalf of the executive, I express sincere thanks to all those on the "sub" list and hope that they are greeted as guest teachers when they arrive in our staffrooms each morning.

In closing, make sure that as many of us as possible email or phone our MLAs asking for support of Motion 503 that will be brought forward in the assembly this coming Monday, March 16.

Have a warm and enjoyable weekend now that this report card is behind us.

Take care,

Sandy

THANK YOU, ST. JAMES SCHOOL!

Many thanks to Sandy Gillis, Karen Craig, and Marcel Evaristo, who invited the Local staff to share in their very meaningful celebration of the 120th anniversary of Edmonton Catholic Schools. What a wonderful, warm and welcoming community of students and staff members! ~*Kathy MacIsaac*

DELEGATES SPONSORED-SPICE AND BLUEPRINTS CONFERENCES

Once again the Local office will sponsor two delegates to attend SPICE (April 23-26) and one delegate to attend BLUEPRINTS (April 28-May 1) at The Delta Lodge, Kananaskis. This sponsorship will be for complete registration which includes accommodation (double occupancy), conference registration, materials and meals. Coverage for the cost of your substitute will be your responsibility. If you are interested in conference sponsorship from the Local, we ask that you print your name, the conference you wish to attend and your email address on your school's letterhead and fax it in to the Local office (780-454-1250) by Monday, March 23. The draw will be made at noon on Monday, March 23, 2009. Winners will be notified following the draw and registration forms will be faxed to the schools. Based on the number of applicants, preference will be given to those who have not received Local sponsorship for this conference in the past.

CARING FOR OUR MEMBERS

Please advise the Local office (451-1196) of instances of bereavement, illness or births, so that the Local can recognize them accordingly.

WORDS OF INSPIRATION

"Years may wrinkle the skin,
but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul."

~Samuel Ullman

Included in this mailing: Poster for ATA Edmonton Oil Kings Fan Appreciation Day

Printed on reverse side: Draft Agenda for Council meeting #6

Meetings and Events

Tuesday, March 17, 2009

HAPPY
ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

Tuesday, March 17, 2009

Council Mtg. #06, 6pm,
Auditorium, Barnett House.
Sandwiches available at
5:15pm.

March 30 - April 3, 2009

SPRING BREAK!

Tuesday, April 7, 2009

Executive Mtg. #8, 4:30pm,
Room 406, Barnett House

April 10, 2009

GOOD FRIDAY
No school.

April 13, 2009

EASTER MONDAY
No school.

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Council Dates:

Tuesday, March 17/09

Tuesday, April 21/09

Tuesday, June 2/09

President's Reception:

Thursday, June 11/09