

# Richard S. Fowler Catholic Junior High School Weekly Newsletter November 14 -18, 2016

## <u>Prayer</u>

A Prayer for the Faithful Departed

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of Thy servants departed the remission of their sins, that, through pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired. Who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, world without end.

Amen.

#### Wednesday November 16

School Council 7:00pm

#### Thursday, November 17, 2016

Get Real Day - All Grade 8s participating

Senior Volleyball Playoff games 6:00 pm -Bellerose High School.

#### Friday, November 18, 2016

Break a Rule Day - Information Letter Attached.

Classroom visits to introduce School App to students.

On Friday we will be visiting each homeroom to demonstrate how the RSF App can be used for agenda, messaging and other notifications to assist students and parents with being in contact with the school. If you child has an RSF Friendly device please have them download it before Friday. Thank you

# RSF App Download Instructions

Fowler is introducing a mobile app that will effectively replace our tactile student handbook. The app contains many positive features such as our school calendar, the ability to input individual

notes per course, customizable student schedules, and the ability to receive push notifications from school sources among many more.

The app is available for iOS and Android devices. It is not currently available for Windows or Blackberry devices. It is also currently not available on personal workstations.

#### **Installation Instructions for iOS:**

-Go to the app store on your apple device.
-Search for "RSF". The following should search and appear.



- Download the app. It is free.
- Further instructions on how to operate the app will be provided at a later date and will also be available at Parent Teacher Interviews at the end of November.

## **Installation Instructions for Google Play.**

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#### **Counsellor's Corner - Ms. Tibble**

It is my privilege and pleasure to be your .6 counsellor for the remainder of the year. We at Fowler take your children's lives very seriously as you have trusted us with their precious learning and care. We have had several students this past week lose pets and they are most of the time...like family members. One of the students shared this story of the Rainbow Bridge with me...and I lovingly pass it on to you....

#### Rainbow Bridge

There is a bridge connecting Heaven and Earth. It's called the Rainbow Bridge because of its many colors. Just this side of the Rainbow Bridge there is a land of hills, meadows and valleys with lush green grass.

When a beloved pet dies, he goes to this place where there is food and water and warm spring weather.

The old and frail animals are young again. Those who are maimed are made whole again. They play all day with each other. There is only one thing missing. They are not with their special person who loved them on earth.

So each day they run and play until the day comes when one suddenly stops playing and looks up! The nose twitches! The ears are up! The eyes are staring! And this one suddenly runs from the group! You have been seen and when and your special friend meet, you take them in your arms and embrace. Your face is kissed again and again and

you look once more into the eyes of your trusting pet. Then you cross the Rainbow Bridge together, never again to be separated. - Author Unknown.

#### Introducing Bear to RSF

Bear is an 8 yr.old Bouvier therapy dog. He is hypoallergenic and has worked as a therapy dog for the past 6 years. He has a calming spirit and children and adults under stress, or trauma find it soothing to be in his presence. He is able to go into a room and can pick the person who may be struggling the most, and sits down with them. He can be in hallways, and loves the attention of the students. He can be used in one on one situations, or groups, or as a reward in classrooms. Bear will be visiting our school from time to time, if you have any questions or concerns please contact Mr. Clayton dclayton@gsacrd.ab.ca or Ms. Tibble <a href="https://doi.org/https://

#### **Important Reminders**

As term 1 comes to a close at the end of this month, please pay any outstanding school option fees. These are available on School Cash.

Any students wanting to change their Term 2 options need to come to the office and put their name on the list. We will call them down throughout the week.

#### **Report Cards**

Everyday is report card day at Fowler. As Term 1 comes to end, teachers will finalize marks for the term and add comments. No paper copies of report cards are available until June. If you require a paper copy you can contact the office.

#### **Visitors in the School**

Whenever Parents or Visitors come into the school- they must check in at the office.

#### Parking Lot

Thank you to everyone for adjusting to the changes to our morning and afternoon pick-up and drop off. It is very important that each car pull ALL the way to END of the lane they are in, even if there are no cars behind you. Cars are pulling in every few seconds and we need the lanes to be as accessible as possible. Encourage your child to walk to the crosswalk to cross. Help us keep our children safe!

#### School Council

Honours:

Students must receive an overall average of 80% in all core subjects (Language Arts, Social Studies, Math, Science, Religion and Physical Education) with no mark below below 75% in a core, and no mark below 70% in any other courses.

#### **Honors with Distinction:**

Students must receive an overall average of 90% in all core subjects (Language Arts, Social Studies, Math, Science) with no mark below 85% in a core, and no mark below 80% in any other courses.

#### **Exam Re-writes:**

Students may have a re-write if their mark is more than 15% lower than their average test mark in that course. Discretion will be used by teacher for other re-writes. Rewrite exam marks are at the Teacher's discretion if they will be used in honours calculations.

Mrs. Chyzowski is experiencing technical difficulties with emails submitted through the website. If you email Mrs. Chyzowski you should receive a reply within 24 hours. If you do not, please email her directly <a href="mailto:hchyzowski@gsacrd.ab.ca">hchyzowski@gsacrd.ab.ca</a>

Guys and Dolls Jr. Musical Production - Media Package Orders available on School cash

We have our <u>Get Real Day for our Grade 8's</u> coming up on November 17th. If you are interested in volunteering and joining us for the day, please contact Holly Tibble at <a href="https://htt

#### **Upcoming Events**

November 22 - Term 1 Ends

November 23 - Term 2 Begins

**November 23 & 24 -Parent Teacher Interviews** 

November 25 - Day in Lieu - No School

November 28 - Advent Begins @ RSF

**December 2 - Early Dismissal** 

December 1 and 6 - Grade 7 Retreats with CrissCross @ HFP AM

December 14 - Reconciliation 10:45 to Noon @ RSF

December 22 - Advent Mass 9:00 am @ HFP, Fowler Talent Show/ Christmas Dance

December 23, 2016 - January 9, 2017 - Christmas Break

January 9 - Classes resume

January 25 - School Council 7:00pm

**January 26 - Spirit Assembly** 

January 27 - PD Day

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