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Dear families of St. Scholastica,

Welcome to a new school year! Although this year looks a little different than usual, your Catholic School Council would like to take this opportunity to welcome both returning and new families (both in-school and virtual) to our school community. While the role of School Council will adjust to suit our current circumstances, please know that your Catholic School Council is looking forward to doing our best to create a warm, inviting community for all of our families.

In the past, we started September off with a Laura Secord chocolate fundraiser. This fundraiser was fantastically successful last year, raising over \$21,000! Our students worked hard to sell boxes of chocolate for \$5 a bar. Each case of chocolate bars that our students sold **meant \$60 of fundraising money going directly to our school.**

In these pandemic times, technology has become even more critical, as many of our families have experienced. Technology has become a larger component of our child's education with each passing year, and it is critical that our school is still able to supply students with the tools they need to be successful, and in building skills they will need for their future. With many of our typical fundraising opportunities no longer feasible because of safety protocols and restrictions, we are writing to you in hopes that you will be willing to help us fundraise via a **Donation Drive**, to help us purchase classroom technology and curriculum enhancement materials for our school.

We rely on our fundraising initiatives, where 100% of proceeds support programs and tools for our students. **We are turning to you to ask for you to please donate money to the school to support the purchase of tools and to support programs that have a direct impact on student achievement and well being.** Any donation amount your family is able to make is welcome. Even the smallest donation makes a difference, and **all** donation amounts are confidential.

Our Donation Drive Fundraiser will begin on **Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>** and will conclude on **Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**. We will hold a raffle for our students on **Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**. **For the sake of the raffles and prizing, we would like to ask that parents split their family donation up equally amongst each child in the family so that the collective donation is being made in the name of each child equally. Parents can select the name of the child in the school cash online donation system that the donation is being made for. Example.....If your family is comfortable with making a \$60 donation to the school and has two children who attend the school, then please divide up that \$60 donation into one, \$30 donation for Child**

**A and a second \$30 donation for child B. If the whole family donation is split equally then both children in this example would have donation money that would go towards the prizing.**

A donation made in a student's name will receive 1 ballot towards the following raffles:

- 2 names drawn from our Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Intermediate face-to-face learners for a \$25 Indigo gift card (8 winners in total)
- 1 name drawn from our Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Intermediate virtual learners for a \$25 Indigo gift card (4 winners in total)
- The top Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Intermediate class in donation amounts will receive a popcorn and movie afternoon in their PJ's with NO SCHOOL WORK!
- 10 random student names (virtual or conventional learning) drawn for a chance to visit the office prize bin

**Donating is easy! Simply log into your School Cash Online Account:**

1. <https://hcdsb.schoolcashionline.com/>
2. Select the student who you are making the donation in honour of
3. Once acting on behalf of a particular student name, click on "Make a Donation"
4. Under "Fund Destination" please ensure you select St. Scholastica. Funds will not be sent to our **school unless correctly identified in this section.**
5. A tax receipt will be emailed directly to you.
6. Repeat this process for other children in your family so that they too can be counted for prizing and raffles

\*IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT IF GRANDPARENTS, FAMILY FRIENDS OR OTHER RELATIVES WISH TO DONATE, THAT THIS IS DONE AS ONE DONATION PER CHILD AND IS COMPLETED BY THE OWNERS OF THE SCHOOL CASH ONLINE LOG IN INFORMATION.

St. Scholastica Catholic School has flourished since its inception because of the tremendous support of our community who, over the years, have contributed to making the educational experience both fun and rewarding.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and contribution!

Sincerely,

Your Catholic School Council