



# OUR LADY OF FATIMA



NIAGARA CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

December, 2024

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## PRINCIPALS CORNER

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are already entering the month of December and the celebration of the Christmas season. As you can probably imagine, December will be a very busy month here at the school with a lot of festivities associated with the season taking place. I encourage you to refer to our December calendar to stay abreast of various initiatives that will take place throughout the month. Some of the highlights include the lighting of the advent candles throughout the advent season, our annual advent mass at St. Alfred's Parish, in-school activities ranging from door decorating and joy day celebrations to wearing clothing associated with the seasonal theme of Christmas

Our staff will be collectively composing a digital concert presentation involving all of the

grades here at Our Lady of Fatima which will be shared with you digitally on the NCVLE platform prior to the Christmas Break. Finally, on December 17th some very special visitors from the North Pole will be stopping by to Our Lady of Fatima to provide some Christmas Cheer and special treats. I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of everyone in our school community to extend our genuine gratitude to the Catholic School Council who played a pivotal role in their fundraising over the last year that has allowed us to purchase an additional set of chrome books and sports equipment for our school.

On behalf of all of the staff here at Our Lady of Fatima we would like to wish all of our students and parents a Merry Christmas and all the best for the upcoming New Year, 2025!!!!

Yours in Education,

Mr. Dagenais,  
Principal Our Lady of Fatima  
Catholic School



## 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

A reminder that all tickets (sold and unsold) are due to the office Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. The draw will take place starting Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> with a cash prize of \$100 for 11 days and the 12<sup>th</sup> day the winner will receive \$500!

We thank Our Lady of Fatima school community in advance for all your support with this fundraising event.

## FOOD DAYS



Pita day is Thursday  
December 5<sup>th</sup>.



Sub day is Thursday,  
December 12<sup>th</sup>.



Pizza day will be  
Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>.



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## FRENCH IMMERSION ADVANCE SIBLING REGISTRATION

Families who already have a child or children in the Niagara Catholic District School Board's French Immersion Program are invited to complete the ADVANCE SIBLING REGISTRATION for their child who wishes to enter as a new student to the French Immersion Program at the site specific, grade-level appropriate entry point in September 2025. Online registration will take place using the EDSEMBLI parent portal platform.

As this is an updated platform, parents will require more time to complete the registration, as more information is needed. (i.e. health card number, home address etc.). Parents are advised to go onto the website to create their account, if they have not created one prior to December 4th. **On-line Advance Sibling Registration begins Wednesday, December 4th, 2024 at 7:30 a.m. and continues until Wednesday, December 18th, 2024 at 11:30 p.m.**



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## FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM

We have recently created an Instagram account to keep you updated on school events.



## SPIRIT WEAR

It's the perfect time of year to order those spirit wear hoodies with the cooler weather coming. All orders can be purchased directly through <https://www.bigbearspiritwear.com/>

At the top of the page click on Schools, Elementary Schools, then select Our Lady of Fatima.

They offer a variety of options to purchase and deliver directly to the school.

## BINGO VOLUNTEERS

Our Bingo volunteers help our school to receive contributions raised from Delta Bingo. The funds received are used for so many things that benefit our students including technology, school trips, Christmas events, treats and special days.

We are looking for more dedicated volunteers who are able to donate their time for our Bingo program. Please call the school for more information.

## SAFE ARRIVAL

We kindly ask that you continue to report your child's absence through the Safe Arrival program. You can do so by using (1) website

<https://go.schoolmessenger.ca>

(2) using the mobile app SchoolMsg

(3) by calling 1-844-287-6287