

## St. Ann November Flyer



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**NOVEMBER, 2024** 

#### REMEMBRANCE DAY

The other common name for this day is Armistice Day which marks the date and time when armies stopped fighting World War I - on November 11<sup>th</sup>, at 11a.m. in 1918 (the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month). Some 100,000 Canadian soldiers died in the First and Second World Wars.



All government buildings fly the Canadian flag at half-mast this day and people remember those who fought for Canada during a two-minute moment of silence at 11am. Many people wear poppies before and on Remembrance Day to show their respect and support for Canadian troops. Poppies are generally handed out free but often a voluntary donation is given in exchange. On November 11<sup>th</sup>, we ask that you commemorate our fallen soldiers.

The Intermediate Student Council will lead the St. Ann Catholic Elementary School community in a Remembrance Day Service on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

#### PROGRESS REPORT CARDS AND PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE

It is time for Progress Reports. As outlined on our calendar, Progress Reports will be available to parents in the Parent Portal on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Parent / Teacher Interviews will take place in-person this year, on Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.. We will be sending home correspondence with more information next week.



#### TREATIES RECOGNITION WEEK NOVEMBER 3rd - 9th, 2024

In responding to the Truth & Reconciliation Calls to Action, beginning in 2016, the Ontario government designated the first full week of November as Treaties Recognition Week. Treaties Recognition Week is a time to recognize the importance of treaties as legal documents that are shared between sovereign nations.

Students will be learning more about this topic at an age-appropriate level. Thank you for your support of Treaties Recognition Week.

#### BULLYING AWARENESS AND PREVENTION WEEK NOVEMBER 17th - 23rd, 2024

Ontario has designated the week beginning on the third Sunday of November as Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week to help promote safe schools and a positive learning environment. Bullying is defined as a form of **repeated**, **persistent** and **aggressive behaviour** directed at an individual or individuals that is intended to cause (or should be known to cause) fear and distress and/or harm to another person's body, feelings, self-esteem or reputation. Bullying occurs in a context where there is a real or perceived power imbalance.

During Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week - November 17 - 23, 2024 - St. Ann students will learn more about bullying, its effect on learning and well-being, and how to prevent bullying.

#### **FAMILY ADVENT MASS**

On Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting an Advent Family Mass at 5:00 p.m. at St. Ann Parish. Our students will serve as the Choir, Ministers of the Word, the altar servers, and the gift bearers. This will be a wonderful way to blend the triad of School - Home - Church. Please save the date, and plan to attend with your family.



#### ST. ANN SPIRIT WEAR

This year we will be offering the School Community the opportunity to purchase Spirit Wear, through Maddalena Uniforms at https://www.maddalena-uniforms.com/collections/st-ann-catholic-school.

#### ST. ANN SOCCER TEAMS

The St. Ann Intermediate Girls,' Junior Girls' and Boys' Soccer teams all competed, and won, their Family of Schools Soccer Tournaments in October. Thank you to Mr. Rusling, Mrs. Sahota, and Mr. Hall for coaching. Great job Stallions!!





#### **CROSS COUNTRY**

Our Cross-Country team participated in the Family of Schools meet on October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024, where five of our runners advanced to the N.C.D.S.B. meet on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. Congratulations to all of our athletes! Special congratulations to Elia C.; Michael A; Abby L.; Dominic D.; and Winston D. Thank you to Mrs. Tremeer and Mrs. Davis for coaching! Great job Stallions!!!







#### **MATH CORNER**

The following are important tips for Family Math Activities, from Dr. Jo Boaler:

- Play games and puzzles with your children
- Never share with children that you were "bad at math" or that you disliked math.
- Encourage children to explain their thinking and listen to their reasoning. It is important for adults to try to find the logic in what they are thinking
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Playing Math games at home will allow students to realize that Math is fun in all areas of their life!

#### **LITERACY CORNER**

The benefits of daily reading to children include helping them build their language skills, learn about the world, and develop empathy and emotional awareness! and it helps build your children's listening skills



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## ST. ANN CATHOLIC SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESENTS A FAMILY GINGERBREAD NIGHT!

# The elves at St. Ann are pleased to invite you to an Old Fashioned Gingerbread House Gathering on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:00 pm

Families will have the opportunity to show off their creativity in decorating their own gingerbread houses to take home and enjoy over the holidays! The cost for the kit is \$20.00! The kits are pre-assembled houses that contain sufficient candies for decorating. Don't forget to bring plastic knives, spatulas, scissors and extra decorations etc. to help you with your decorating. This will be a great opportunity to enjoy the spirit of Christmas with friends - new and old!

We look forward to seeing you!

Please place your order at School Cash online by  $\underline{Friday}$ , November  $\underline{15^{th}}$ ,  $\underline{2024}$ , so that we can order the proper number of kits!

Thank you, The St. Ann Christmas Elves



\*\*Please note\*\*the kits are "may contain" and are NOT NUT FREE! For those with allergies, please make a note on the form below and we will contact you regarding nut free options!



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