ST. THÉRÈSE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

June 2024

School Information

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School Bell Times

8:40-8:55- Student Arrival

8:55 -9:05 - Entry Bell - Prayers, Announcements, Attendance

10:25-10:40 -Recess

11:40-12:20- Lunch

1:20-1:35- Recess

2:55 - Prayers, Announcements

3:05 - Dismissal Bell



Principal's Message

Dear St. Thérèse Families.

- As we countdown the school days remaining in the 2023-2024 school year, we are amazed by the accomplishments of our students this year. June promises to be full of field trips, our Annual Spring Fest, Play Day and six of our students have qualified for the Niagara Catholic Board Track & Field Meet!
- We are also very excited to announce our school will be undergoing a long anticipated and much needed construction project. Beginning in June and continuing throughout the summer and into the Fall, our main offices will be completely redone, the front entrance of our school will be renovated to included a canopy, greater light and accessibility, all of the windows of the school will be replaced AND the top edging around the school will be redone! We are extremely excited with all of these renovations which will give our school a much needed facelift and create greater accessibility to all just like our eastside parking lot, sidewalk and Kinder entrance.
- Throughout the construction project the front entrance area including the grassy patch will become the construction area. This will result in our main entrance being transitioned to the Westside entrance and Mrs. Saxton's office will be relocated temporarily to a classroom in our primary hallway. As our start date gets closer we will email families with more specific information on how we will transition to this plan for the remainder of the school year.

Looking forward to another fun-filled month at St. Thérèse.

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mrs. Turcotte



SPRING FEST!

SPRINGFEST - Thursday, June 6th 4:30-7pm

We are so excited to welcome our families back to our Annual Spring Fest event!

Please remember to order your food ahead of time through School Cash Online to help us better anticipate our needs and purchase food ahead of time.

Interested in volunteering your time? Why not consider helping out our staff and Catholic School Council by volunteering for a one hour time slot! You can reach out to our co-Chair Morgan Cooper or our secretary Maria Saxton if you are able to help out!

Once again we have distributed white Niagara Catholic spiritwear shirts to our future JK students. They have been invited to Spring Fest so they can experience our school community ahead of time.

Be sure to welcome our new JKs when you see them next Thursday at Spring Fest!

BROKEN SPOKE at Spring Fest

The Broken Spoke Repair Shop is one of our community partners attending Spring Fest once again this year! Do you have any bikes you are looking to get rid of? Why not bring them to Spring Fest and donate them to Broken Spoke!

Are you familiar with the Broken Spoke? Their Mission:

Engage students in the understanding and benefits of refurbishing bicycles to provide enjoyment and transportation for themselves and those less fortunate.

EASTSIDE MARKET

Our final EASTSIDE MARKET will take place on June 14th! Mrs. Loeffen's Grade 7 class did a fabulous job planning, organzing and distributing our produce each week!



We will be hosting a special Eastside Market event at Spring Fest.

Through the generous donation from United Way and the support of Nurse Olivia from Niagara Public Health, we will be giving away a produce bag to every student who attends Spring Fest!

Finally, we would like to wrap up our Eastside Market experience with a survey so we can gather feedback. Please keep your eye out for our survey next week!!

Dress Code Exchangge

On June 27th and 28th, families are invited to drop off gently used dress code clothing at the school between 8:30am and 3:30pm. Please ensure that the clothing is clean and free from rips or holes.

During the last week of August, families who would like to access gently used dress code clothing will be invited to the school to pick up items for their children. More details will be forthcoming in our end of school year newsletter!



Reusable Water Bottles

To help ensure your child comes to school each day with a reusable water bottle we have designed our very own St. Thérèse Water Bottle!

Water bottles will be on sale during Spring Fest and through School Cash Online for most of June and again in September.

Grade 8 Graduation

Our **Grade 8 Class** will celebrate their **Graduation** at 6pm on **June 20th, 2024** at Lakeshore Catholic Secondary School. All are welcome to attend the Graduation Ceremony to support our graduates on their big day! A Graduation Celebration will immediately follow the ceremony (for Graduates only!) at Lakeshore Catholic.



Kindergarten Registration for September 2024

Online registration for September 2024 is open! Students who have reached the age of four by December 31, 2024 are eligible for our Kindergarten Program (YEAR 1).





We currently have 24 students registered for Kindergarten in September!!!

Students currently in school are not required to register again for next year. If you know of families in our school area who have young children, please invite them to register their child. When online registration has been completed, families will be contacted by the school.

- · Copy of child's Birth Certificate or Birth Registration Form
- · Copy of Baptismal Certificate (Parent's Certificate is acceptable)
- · Proof of full address (eg. Utility bill)
- · Any relevant custody order documents



St. Thérèse SPIRIT WEAR

St. Thérèse Spirit Wear is available for purchase year round! Items are shipped directly to the school with your child's name on the package for easy delivery!

Please check out <u>Big Bear Spiritwear's website</u> for more

information - Click on Schools to find our shopping link!



We are a proud member of the Lakeshore Catholic Family of Schools

Standardized Dress Code

Reminder that students are expected to follow dress code expectations daily. We have provided a graphic below as a reminder of the colour and items of clothing that students can wear to school. Our Grade 8 Students are also able to wear their GRAD Hoodies!

All students can also wear St. Thérèse Spirit Wear or Lakeshore Catholic Spirit Wear!

Thank you for your continued support.



Niagara Catholic has a standardized dress code for students in all of our Catholic elementary schools. All students wear navy blue bottoms and navy blue or white shirts.

OUR DRESS CODE COLOURS

Tops

- At a minimum, every student is required to wear one of the following:
- Navy or white Chitord shirt (short or long sleeve) or;
- School-designed spirit wear

The elementary standardized dress code shirt must be plain (no logos or advertising) and buttoned in a respectable manner. Visible to



Bottome

- At a minimum, every student is required to wear one of the following:
- Navy sweat pants (Kindergarten Grade 3) or;
- Navy pants (capri, cargo, denim, kobe or corduray) or;
- Navy skorts, skirts or dresses or
- Navy walking shorts.

Only knee-length shorts, skirts or dresses are permitted. All clothing must be in good repair. Grade 8 students have the option to wear grey secondary uniform pants.



Shoes

For health and safety reasons, running shoes with a full back and closed toe are the recommended footwear. Parents/guardians should provide a pair of indoor shoes for physical education and indoor wear. Socks must be worn with the elementary standardized dress code pants or shorts at all times.

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Melissa Turcotte

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