

St Joseph Phoenix News

OCTOBER 2024

Principal's Message

This community is incredible! A small school having a goal for the Terry Fox Walk of \$2,800 is unheard of, but to actually come through and raise \$3,225 is unbelievable. I am so proud to be a part of this school community! Your generosity warms my heart. Thank you so much for your support in this worthwhile annual activity!



As we move into October, we are well into established routines here at school. Thank you for following our drop off and pick up routines. Our main priority is child safety, which may mean at times we are a little slow, so thank you for your patience. We will spend a lot of time this month talking about being thankful and grateful. We certainly have something to be grateful for in our lives. We will get a nice break in the middle of the month to celebrate Thanksgiving. I hope you are able to share some quality and restful time with family and loved ones. God bless.

Mr. Tim Atkinson, Principal

Terry Fox Head Shaving!



Before



During



After!

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Monthly Reflection

Called by Name: "Come, follow Me"

"I have even called you by your name" (Isaiah 45:4)

Do you feel left out sometimes? Lonely or sad? That's ok, because God is always with you and He knows exactly what you are going through. No matter what challenges you face, or seemingly impossible situations you get into; God will never leave you. He will make everything good for you and you can soak in His divine light. God calls each one of you by name. Jesus knows you by name! What a privilege! And what a comfort to those of us who place our faith in Christ! God loves us more than we can imagine. He has sworn never to let us go. Do you hear Him calling you?

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We Scare Hunger Food Drive

During the month of October, we will be running a "We Scare Hunger" food drive for the GBF. Foods that are donated should be "non-perishable" and not reached it's "Best Before" date. Food banks often are in need of items like:



- Peanut Butter, canned soup, canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned stew, canned fish, canned beans, pasta, rice, and much more...

We appreciate any donations that you can make, grocery gift cards are also much appreciated. Thank you for helping our community.

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Waste-Less Wednesdays

Beginning on Wednesday, October 9th the St. Joseph School Eco Team is launching Waste-less Wednesday! We ask that students bring waste-free lunches to school every Wednesday throughout the school year. Each week the 'Golden Lunchpail' will be awarded to the class with the highest percentage of waste-free lunches. We encourage students to come to school with items packed in reusable containers and/or washable bags. Compostable items such as apple cores and banana peels are not considered to be waste and milk containers are not included. Please avoid unwrapping individually packaged snacks at home.



Thank you for your participation in this initiative!

St. Joseph Eco Team

Catholic School Council Members 2024-2025

Our first Catholic School Council meeting was on Tuesday, September 30th at which time elections were held. Parents are always welcome to attend any meetings even if you are not a voting member. Our 2024-2025 Catholic School Council Members are:



Co-Chairs: Kathleen Ciccotti & Kayla Walsh

Members: Christina Angelini, Melissa Bowker, Ashley Brown, Juston Caron, Jennifer Graham, Melanie Harris, Breia Merla, Marlies Nanninga, Julie-Anne Nixon, Sarah Veld

Catholic School Council Corner

We just wrapped up our first Catholic School Council meeting tonight and we can't wait to share the exciting fundraising initiatives, school activities and upcoming events that we have planned for the students of St. Joseph Catholic School.

If you are interested in volunteering for Pizza Day delivery to the classrooms which is every-other Tuesday starting October 8, please email Mrs. Humphreys at holly.humphreys@ncdsb.com.

Our next Catholic School Council meeting is Monday, November 4 at 6:00PM. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see you there!

Thank you,

Your Catholic School Council

Niagara Region Public Health School Health Newsletter



October Public Health.pdf

Please open this link to see Niagara Region Public Health News and Information

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Healthy Schools

In accordance with the NCDSB Nutrition Policy and due to the many allergies within the school, we ask that in lieu of edible treats, another form of birthday recognition be used. You may wish to send in pencils, erasers or stickers to celebrate with the class. Another great alternative is to donate a book in your child's name to the classroom library or the school library. Thanks for helping to make our school a healthier environment for the students of St. Joseph Catholic School.



Mad Science Fall 2024.pdf

Mad Science begins Tuesday, October 15th. See attached for registration information.

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BT CORNER

It has been a great start to the year here at Blessed Trinity for all of our students as many sports, clubs and extra-curricular activities are already in full swing. Our Grade 9 students have already been, or will be, involved in a number of activities to ensure their transition to high school is a successful one. Before school even started our Grade 11 and Grade 12 Thunderstruck – Link Crew members hosted an Orientation Day on Wednesday, August 28th. Over 95% of our incoming grade 9 students attended and enjoyed a morning of fun activities, tour of the school, practiced opening locks and a delicious pizza lunch. They were also able to meet many of their new classmates with whom they will be spending the next 4 exciting years together here at BT.

September 26th will be a busy day at Blessed Trinity. All of our Grade 9 students will be participating in a Terry Fox walk to raise awareness and money for cancer research. Our Link Crew leaders have been encouraging all of our grade 9's to solicit donations to help us reach our goal of raising \$2000. On the same day we will be hosting our Grade 9 Curriculum Night for all of the Grade 9 students and their parents.

Lastly, we will be celebrating Orange Shirt Day as part of Truth and Reconciliation week to remember all of those impacted by Residential schools at the end of the month.

October is already shaping up to be another busy month, in particular, we will be focusing on the current grade 8's and starting a number of visits and interactions throughout the year to get our grade 8's excited about coming to Blessed Trinity. It all starts with an opportunity to watch our Jr Football team play on our new turf field on October 9th!

We look forward to meeting all the prospective Thunder over the next few weeks and working with them to make the transition as seamless as possible.

Rose Bianco

Program Chair of Student Services and Special Education, Blessed Trinity Catholic Secondary School

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Respectful Interaction

St. Joseph Catholic School is rooted in Catholic and Christian values. Our goal is to create a safe, kind and loving environment for all who work, learn, and assist with our school community.

Aggressive or hostile behaviour or language toward, staff, students or our community helpers will not be tolerated. While we welcome feedback, concerns and opinions it is the expectation that all staff, students, parents, guardians and community helpers communicate their needs and concerns

with one another in a respectful and peaceful manner whether through email, on the phone or face-to-face. Adherence to this expectation is vital in order to create a community that can solve problems and help one another achieve success.



School Cash Online



IMPORTANT DATES 📅

- Friday, October 11th - PA Day
- Monday, October 14th - Thanksgiving Holiday
- Tuesday, October 15th - Thanksgiving Mass in the gym
- Thursday, October 31 - Halloween Dance-A-Thon



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