

St. George Catholic Elementary School

"Faith, Service & Academic Excellence"

Part of the Lakeshore Catholic Family of Schools



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PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

NOVEMBER- A Mission of Hope

"Be not afraid!"

St. John Paul II

When we are faced with challenges in our daily lives, we can become burdened by a sense of fear and despair. Our faith in Jesus reminds that our mission as disciples of Christ is also rooted in hope. The disciples certainly felt fear and despair as they watched Jesus being crucified on the cross, but it is in the resurrection of Christ that they, and we, find our true hope. May we be witness of hope for others during difficult times, reminding them that in Christ, nothing is impossible!

BULLYING AWARENESS WEEK

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.

During Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week – November 18-22, 2024 – Ontario students, school staff and parents are encouraged to learn more about bullying and its effect on student learning and wellbeing.



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REMEMBRANCE DAY POSTER/ESSAY CONTEST



All students from Grade 1 to 8 will be participating in the Legion Remembrance Day Poster/Essay Contest.

BINGO

A BIG Thank you to Delta-Uncle Sam's Bingo with this partnership we are able to purchase much needed technology such as chrome books, smart TV's and smart boards! For those that have some time to volunteer at our bingo partnership we want you! Please read our call for Bingo volunteers!



REMEMBRANCE DAY PRAYER

Peace in our world, Peace in our school, Peace in our homes, Peace in our hearts. AMEN



CURRICULUM CORNER



How can you support your child's literacy development? Make a special, quiet time to read together with your child every day. It should be an enjoyable routine in your day. Depending on the familiarity of the book and its level of difficulty you can decide whether the book should be: read to your child; read with your child; or read by your child.

Reading to your child shows him/her how reading works and sounds, and that it is enjoyable and valuable.

Reading aloud with your child builds confidence in reading books that may be too difficult to try alone. When the book is being read by your child, use the 3 P's - Pause, Prompt, Praise - to assist: Pause if the child is unsure; wait a moment. Let your child look at the pictures and words to work out the meaning. Give a prompt or clue that encourages your child to look closer and have a go. Ask a question such as: What word might make sense? Praise all efforts. If the child is still unsure after a try, tell them the word so they don't lose the meaning of the story.

Keep the Pause, Prompt, Praise process short, so as not to interrupt the flow of the story. Enjoyment and understanding of the book is most important.

Do you have a couple hours to spare on the weekend? Would you like to make a BIG DIFFERENCE in student life at St. George?

Did you know that Delta Bingo is a school wide fundraiser that brings in \$1000's of dollars to our school for much needed technology upgrades that provide student wide benefits ? We are in need of new Volunteers to help keep this program running and benefiting our students. If you have a couple hours to spare on the weekends we could really use your support!

We are looking for one volunteer per shift, shifts are typically Sat 4-6pm, and Sun 6-8pm, the role is limited to welcoming patrons into the Bingo centre at the doorway. No direct contact with any patrons or attendees is required.

Please contact the school at: st.george@ncdsb.com if you would like to volunteer

REPORT CARDS & INTERVIEWS

The Progress Report Card will be available on the Parent Portal the week of November 12th. Parent teacher interviews will be held In person Nov. 18th 4-7pm in the gym. Report



PICTURE RE-TAKE DAY

Picture retake day and Sibling Photos is November 26th Grad Photo is April 30th!



BREAKFAST PROGRAM

The Breakfast Snack Program has started! It is a Grab and Go snack program.



Thank you to Niagara Nutrition Partners & Mrs. Pinizzotto our nutrition lead!

Bring your smiles!!

WALKING TO SCHOOL SAFETY

REMEMBERANCE DAY

All drivers must:

- **STOP:** When you approach a School Crossing Location
- **OBEY:** The Highway Traffic Act
- **RESPECT:** The Crossing Guard
- **PATIENCE:** Remain stopped until everyone has cleared the crossing including the guard!
- **PROCEED:** When safe to do so

You could be fined a minimum of **\$150.00** if found guilty of an offence - Highway Traffic Act Regulation Section 176.

St. George Catholic School sponsored a wreath it will be placed at the cenotaph on November 11th in support of our local veterans from The Royal Canadian Legion branch 230.

SACRAMENTS

Grade 8 confirmation will be held at St. George Catholic Church On November 14, 2024 at 7pm. Confirmandees will need to be there for 6:30pm.

WEEKLY MASS AT ST. GEORGE CHURCH

Classes will attend mass as scheduled on Wednesdays at 9:30am. Parents are invited to join us at church to attend the mass with us. Please refer to the calendar for your child's scheduled date.

Bill 31 - Highway Traffic Act - A REMINDER TO ALL DRIVERS AND CYCLISTS!



St. George Catholic School – Staff

ELKP - Mrs. Heaton		
Early Childhood Educator – Mrs. Foster ELKP - Mrs. Carver		
Early Childhood Educator – Mrs. Steele		
Gr. 1/2 Mrs. Gifford		
Gr. 2/3 Mrs. Rey		
Gr. 3 Mrs. Connor		
Gr. 4 Mrs. Frey		
Gr. 5 Mrs. Scholtens		
Gr. 6 Mrs. Lamorie		
Gr. 7 Mrs. Claxton		
Gr. 8 Mr. Morales		
French Gr. 4 & 5 Mrs. Battersby		
French Gr. 6-8 Mrs. Baldo-De Luca		
Primary Team Member Gr. 1/2, 2/3, 3		
Mrs. Khnanisho teaches Phys ed., Health &		
Science for those three classes		
Primary Team Member – Mrs. Amato for 1		
period in Mrs. Heaton's class		
Primary Team Member – Mrs. Battersby for		
1 period in Mrs. Carver's class		
Primary Team Member Gr.		
Mrs. Khnanisho		
Itinerant Arts Teacher Days 1 & 2		
Mr. Bonazza		
ESL Teacher - Mrs. Cottringer		
Educational Resource Teacher		
Mrs. Pinizzotto		
Educational Assistant Mrs. Turcin		
Educational Assistant Mrs. Garrett		
Educational Assistant Mrs. Favero		
Educational Assistant Mrs. Franklin		
Educational Assistant Mrs. Duquette		
Educational Assistant Mrs. Lanteigne		
Child & Youth Worker Mrs. Annunziata		
Librarian Mrs. Salvati		
Secretary Mrs. Cook		
Caretaker Mr. Byng		
Cleaner Mr. Pietrabon		
Faith Advisor – Father Cesare		
Principal Mrs. Selman		

Daily Schedule

8:55	Outdoor Supervision Begins
9:10	Bell, Announcements, Prayers
9:20	Period 1
10:00	Period 2
10:40	Period 3
11:20	Nutrition Break Eat indoors
11:40	Outdoor Play Recess
12:00	Period 4
12:40	Period 5
1:20	Outdoor Play Recess
1:40	Nutrition Break Eat indoors
2:00	Period 6
2:40	Period 7
3:20	Agenda, Homework, Prayer
3:30	Dismissal Bell – No supervision
after the b	oell – please pick up on time.



