

February 17 - 21, 2025





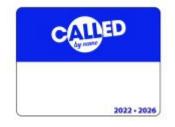


#### **February Reflection**

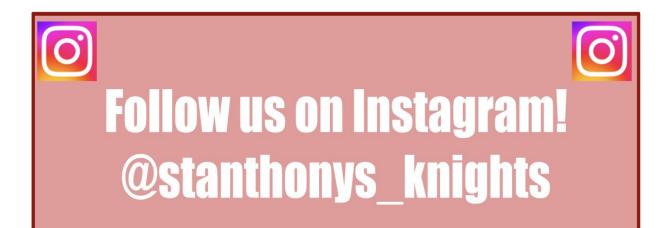
"Come, follow me!" These words of Jesus are an invitation for each and every one of us. How

can each of us better follow Jesus right where we are today? How can we become missionaries

encouraging each other to look up from the table, let go of our sins and see the finger of Jesus



pointing at each of us personally beckoning us to hear the command call?: "Come, follow me!"



## Week at a Glance February 17 -21, 2025

Kids Helping Kids Week (February 10 - 21) Monday, February 17, 2025 - Family Day No School Tuesday, February 18, 2025 - DAY 4 Silly Sock Day Pita Pit Day (From Thursday February 13, 2025) Wednesday, February 19, 2025 - DAY 5 Wild Hair/Hat Day Tuck Shop Junior Girls' Basketball Tournament @ Grade 5 & 6 Tim Horton's Leadership Camp Thursday, February 20, 2025 - DAY 1 Tacky Day Pizza Day Friday, February 21, 2025 - DAY 2 Comfy Cozy Day Junior Boys' Basketball Tournament

# WEEK AT A GLANCE

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## Weekly Update February 17 - 21, 2025

Dear St. Anthony Family,

The students seem to be really enjoying Kids Helping Kids week. It was fun seeing their different outfits. We have one more week of

activities ahead. See the attached Kids Helping Kids Outline below to view the upcoming events of next week. We hope you were able to get through the snow day yesterday. We're sorry many students missed our Valentine's themed day. Any cookies or candy grams ordered will be given out on Tuesday. The portal is still open if you wish to donate to our Kids Helping Kids campaign benefitting the Niagara Children's Centre.

We also had Ms. Lezlie Harper from Niagara Bound Tours visit us this past week. Ms. Harper has a wealth of knowledge and personal history related to the black community in Canada and the Niagara Region more specifically. Ms. Harper spoke with our students in grade 4 - 8, engaging them and inspiring them to ask questions about parts of our history that they were not aware. We look forward to learning more of the rich history the Niagara Region has with regards to black migration into Canada when we welcome Ms. Rochelle Bush from Tubman Tours to speak to our students on February 28th. She will be speaking to three different groups that day and we welcome any parents that may be interested are welcome to join us. We ask that you please check in at the office. We have two presentations that day. The first from 11:30-12:30 and the second from 1:30-2:30.

With yesterday's snow day came a reminder of how important it is that we use the SafeArrival portal for reporting absences. With around 70% of students staying home a good portion of Miss Kim's morning was spent on tracking down absent students. It is quick and easy to access. There is a link below on how to add it to your cellphone or a phone number you can call to submit their absence. If you happen to forget, a phone call will be generated by our system. Please listen to the call and respond accordingly. This will save us a great deal of time and also help us to ensure that your children are safe and accounted for.

The same goes for our online payment portal, SchoolCashOnline. For accounting purposes, this is the best way to keep track of payments and alleviates precious teaching time being interrupted. Almost all purchases must be made through SchoolCashOnline as well as many permission slips and consent forms. This is how we operate all across Niagara Catholic and will be required once entering High School. If you need assistance, please come into the main office and one of us will help to get you signed up. All year end field trips will be posted online, we don't want any student missing out if they desire to attend so please let us know and we can help you.

The report card portal is now up and running. You can access it from the board website or by clicking <u>here</u> to take you directly there. If it directs you to change your password use your email address as the USERNAME and PASSWORD to get a temporary password that can then be changed again. If you are still experiencing difficulties, please contact the school so that we can ensure we have the same email address on file that you are using. It would be the email address from where you received this weekly update.

Tomorrow is a PD Day and thus no school for students. Monday we all get to spend time with our loved ones as we celebrate Family Day in Ontario. We hope the extra-long weekend allows you to spend cherished moments with your family. We will see everyone back on Tuesday morning.

Please take note of the busy four-day week coming up. There are a great deal of activities going on. Please note that Pita Pit Day that was scheduled for Thursday, February 13 will be moved to Tuesday, February 18. All students who ordered for this week will receive their orders on Tuesday. Thursday is still Pizza Day, get those orders in before tomorrow. Also, Pasta Day is posted until Thursday, February 20th. By clicking the link <u>here</u> you can see what is posted for purchase as well as being able to register your account.

We are still conducting tours for those looking to register for kindergarten in September 2025. Please call ahead to make an appointment. If you know of any families with children born in 2021 and that live in our boundaries, please inform them of our registration being open. We will have another information evening in the Spring. Keep an eye out for the reminders.

Have a wonderful Valentine's Day and Family Day Weekend,

St. Anthony Staff



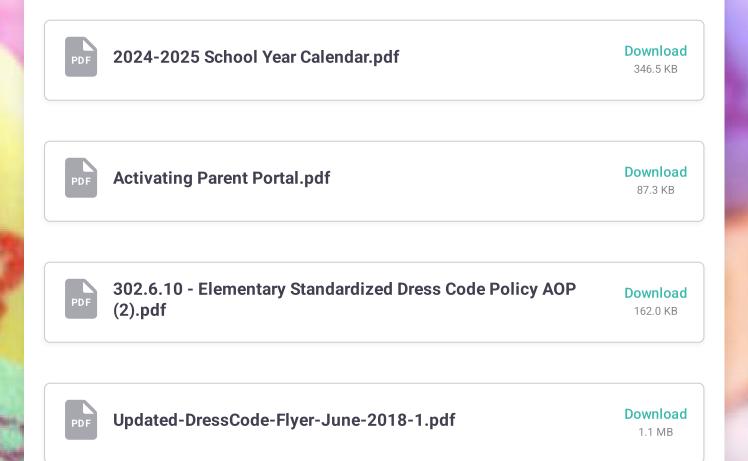
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Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC)

# NCDSB Special Education Advisory Committee Monthly Updates

Niagara Catholic's Special Education Advisory Committee **(SEAC)** is a group of representatives from community organizations, school board trustees and school board staff. The role of the SEAC is to collaborate on school board policies and programs

related to special education. SEAC advocates on behalf of students with special education needs and their families. SEAC meets monthly. More information on how to join the livestream meeting can be found on the <u>Niagara Catholic website</u>. Over the next several months, a community agency represented on SEAC will be highlighted in the school newsletter and in The Chronicle. Stay tuned to be informed!



## **Dress Code**

In Keeping with the Niagara Catholic District School Board Dress Code Policy, we ask that all parents please review the flyer attached within this weekly Update. The Board policy is also attached below this message. The Flyer is linked down below and will always be here for you to review. Students are required to abide by the Dress Code policy and select items of clothing that meet the standard requirements. Other than the Navy Blue and White, students are welcome to also wear School Spiritwear which can be purchased through Front Row Sports. With the weather



turning cooler and students wearing additional layers, please remember that hoodies and sweaters must also be Navy Blue, White or school Spiritwear. The link to the Spiritwear provider is also always near the end of the weekly update. Students that are not following the Dress Code will be asked to call home for a change of clothing. If we cannot make those arrangements, students will be provided by the school an item of clothing that meets the guidelines. This item will be returned so that we can wash them and use them again in the future. Thank you for your

cooperation in this matter.

## **DAILY SCHEDULE**

MORNING SUPERVISION 8:15 - 8:30 MORNING ENTRY 8:30 ANNOUNCEMENTS 8:40 AM RECESS 10:40-11:00 (Grades 1, 2, 3, 4,5 & Kindergarten RECESS) Grades 6,7,& 8 NUTRITION BREAK) AM RECESS 11:00-11:20 (Grades 6,7,& 8 RECESS) (Grades 1, 2, 3, 4,5 & Kindergarten NUTRITION BREAK) PM RECESS 12:40 - 1:00 (Grades 1, 2, 3, 4,5 & Kindergarten RECESS) Grades 6,7,& 8 NUTRITION BREAK) PM RECESS 1:00-1:20 (Grades 6,7,& 8 RECESS) (Grades 1, 2, 3, 4,5 & Kindergarten NUTRITION BREAK) DISMISSAL 2:50



## Safe Arrival- School Messenger

Please remember to report your child's absence using the <u>SAFEARRIVAL</u> portal. With the office being a very busy place, you can also put in an **EARLY DEPARTURE.** This will allow us to have your child ready and at the office for the time you have selected. Often when parents call at the last minute, it may be difficult to

get students down at the office due to the large number of calls. Advanced planning will be extremely helpful.

#### Lunches

If you are dropping off a lunch or having one delivered to the school, please have your child's first and last name clearly labeled on the package. **Please make sure delivery services have the student's name when dropping off lunches.** Also, please verify in your SchoolCashOnline portal that you ordered lunches on our Specialty Food Days. We do not order extras and will not have additional food in case your child doesn't have a lunch. We do always have additional items in our snack bins and we will do our best to provide food if they cannot contact you. **Please review the new student Nutrition Break times.** 



#### **Public Health**



Families are reminded to please update your child/children's immunization records with Niagara Region Public Health. You may do so by clicking this <u>link</u>. For more information please go to <u>NRPH website</u> if you have vaccine/record review questions or please call your health care provider. Families may also contact Public Health at 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7425 and ask to speak with a public health vaccine nurse.

#### **Information Update**

We remind you that it is important to keep the office updated with regards to any new information or changes to the information we have on file for your child. This may include new phone numbers, change of address, medical information, custody orders etc.





#### St. Anthony Catholic Elementary Spirit Wear

IMPORTANT\*\*\* \*\*\*in NOTES, please include students name and teacher for easier distribution\*\*\* ALL Spirit Wear will OPEN July 2nd for purchasing over the summer. Delivery will be the first/second week of September to the school. Please note that all Spirit Wear orders are NON-REFUNDABLE.

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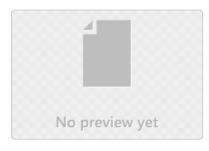


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#### STUDENT SAFE ARRIVAL PROGRAM - Niagara Catholic District School Board

Report an absence to the Student Safe Arrival Program. How to report by phoning, logging in or get the app. Help video included.

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#### **Child Care Registry**

We have an online registration system that allows parents to search and apply for all licensed child care programs for children from birth to age 12, including licensed home child care. Submit one application for any licensed child care options and before-andafter school programs that meet your family's needs.

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#### Anthony Sacco

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