

ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

February 2025



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Principal's Message

February is a month where we have occasions that often bring happiness into the lives of ourselves and those we hold dear. St. Valentine's Day and Family Day are two days in February that provide us with opportunities to celebrate and spend time with those we love. At St. Peter, February is also a month where we take time to think of others by participating in things such as the "Kids Helping Kids" campaign which raises funds for the Niagara Children's Centre and the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education. This year our KHK committee selected a number of activities for the Kids Helping Kids Campaign. Here is a list of events for your advanced organization.



The 100th day of school is a day where activities are planned in our kindergarten program and there has been a build up to the event since the start of school. Our kindergarten team have been in communication with their parents providing information regarding this. Please reach out to Mrs. Lorenzi or Ms. Marano if you have any questions .

- **Monday 10:** Creative Hat Day/100th day of School(Kindergarten only)
- **Tuesday 11:** Jersey/Sports Team Day
- **Wednesday 12:** Winter Carnival
- **Thursday 13:** Red/White/Pink Day
- **Friday 14:** P.A. day
- **Wednesday 26:** Pink Shirt Day. Bullying awareness

Yours in Catholic Education,

Mr. K. Lamb

Kids Helping Kids

Niagara Catholic's 27th Annual Kids Helping Kids fundraiser will take place from February 1 - 16, 2024. This year's event will jointly support the Niagara Children's Centre, as well as the Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education. Kids Helping Kids is a fun, informal fundraiser, which supports these causes through paid participation in events such as Jersey Day, and Creative Hat Day. Donations to the Kids Helping Kids fundraiser can be made in School Cash Online.



Called By Name: "Come Follow Me"

"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!"



Kindergarten Registration and Open House

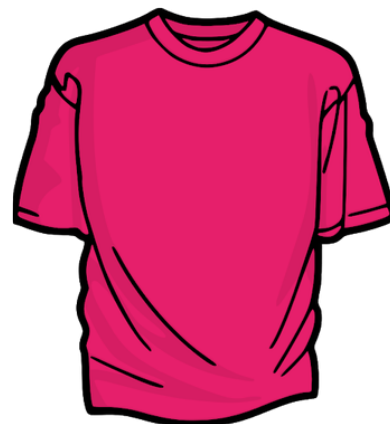
Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate
Birth Certificate
Non-Catholic form (if registering as a non-Catholic)
Proof of Address

Our Kindergarten Open House is Monday, February 3 but registration continues throughout the month of February. If you or someone you know would like to register your child please complete the online registration by clicking the Register button and

then bring the required documents to St. Peter Catholic at your earliest convenience. We encourage you to explore all that Niagara Catholic has to offer and look forward to welcoming your child to the Niagara Catholic family.

Pink Shirt Day

This year, Pink Shirt Day, or Anti-Bullying Day, is on Wednesday, February 26th. Wearing a pink shirt is intended to raise awareness about anti bullying and anti bullying programs and to shine a light on the need for empathy, compassion and kindness in a society where diversity is becoming ever more visible and people continue to embrace their culture(s), identity and true selves in open and more direct ways. We hope you are able to wear a pink shirt with your usual regular dress code pants on the 26th.



February and Forever: Celebrating Black History today and every day.

Black History in Canada

Black people and their communities have been a part of shaping Canada's heritage and identity since the arrival of Mathieu Da Costa, a navigator and interpreter, whose presence in Canada

dates back to the early 1600s.

Black history in Canada has not always been celebrated or highlighted. There is little mention that some of the Loyalists who came here after the American Revolution and settled in the Maritimes were people of African descent, or of the many sacrifices made in wartime by soldiers of African descent as far back as the War of 1812.

Canadians are not always aware of the fact that Black people were once enslaved in the territory that is now Canada or how those who fought enslavement helped to lay the foundation of the diverse and inclusive society in Canada.

Black History Month is about honouring the enormous contributions that Black people have made, and continue to make, in all sectors of society. It is about celebrating resilience, innovation, and determination to work towards a more inclusive and diverse Canada—a Canada in which everyone has every opportunity to flourish.

Recognizing Black History Month in Canada

In 1978, the Ontario Black History Society (OBHS) was established. Its founders, including Dr. Daniel G. Hill and Wilson O. Brooks, presented a petition to the City of Toronto to have February formally proclaimed as Black History Month. In 1979, the first-ever Canadian proclamation was issued by Toronto.

The first Black History Month in Nova Scotia was observed in 1988 and later renamed African Heritage Month in 1996.

In 1993, the OBHS successfully filed a petition in Ontario to proclaim February as Black History Month. Following that success, Rosemary Sadlier, president of the OBHS, introduced the idea of having Black History Month recognized across Canada to the Honourable Jean Augustine, the first Black Canadian woman elected to Parliament.

In December 1995, the House of Commons officially recognized February as Black History Month in Canada following a motion introduced by Dr. Augustine. The House of Commons carried the motion unanimously.

In February 2008, Senator Donald Oliver, the first Black man appointed to the Senate, introduced the [Motion to Recognize Contributions of Black Canadians and February as Black History Month](#). It received unanimous approval and was adopted on March 4, 2008. The adoption of this motion completed Canada's parliamentary position on Black History Month.

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St. Peter Catholic Bell Times

Supervision begins at 8:15 a.m.

Morning Bell rings at 8:30 a.m.

Nutrition Break #1 10:40 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Outside Recess 11:00 a.m. - 11:20 a.m.

Nutrition Break #2 12:40 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Outside Recess 1:00 p.m. - 1:20 p.m.

Dismissal 2:50 p.m.

Supervision begins 15 minutes prior to the morning bell and concludes 10 minutes after dismissal. **Outside of these timeframes, there is no schoolyard supervision.** Thank you to the many families who ensure that their child(ren) arrive to school during supervised times.

Please note that school begins promptly at 8:30 a.m. Students who arrive after the 8:30 a.m. bell must report to the office for a late slip. Thank you for your continued support.

2:50 pm DISMISSAL

Sports Corner

Our Junior and intermediate Girls and Boys teams will be participating in the school board tournament on February 19, 21, 25, and 26. Congratulations to our Intermediates Girls and Boys teams who both participated in the Niagara Classic Invitational Tournament in January where the girls placed second after a great run to the championship.



Term 1 Report Cards

Report Cards and IEPs will be uploaded onto the Parent Portal the week of February 12, 2024. IEP's will be sent home on Tuesday, February 10th. To discuss the progress of your child(ren), please contact their teacher to set up a meeting at a mutually agreeable time.



Big Bear Spirit Wear

Don't forget Big Bear our spirit wear provider offers a wide range of clothing such as hoodies and toques that are ideal for winter weather. You can also have your child's name embroidered on the clothing which ensures it is returned if miss placed. All orders can be dropped off at the school for pick up if desired.



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