# THE WEEKLY UPDATE

#### MARCH 31 - APRIL 4, 2025







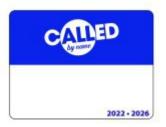
#### **April Reflection**

In Mark's Gospel, we read about Jesus and the rich man, who asked what he had to do to

inherit eternal life. The rich man explained that he had kept all the commandments, but "Jesus,

looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the

money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me<sup>'''</sup> (Mark 10:21). The rich man chose not to follow Jesus because he loved his many possessions. Our hearts were made for God. In order to follow Jesus, we need to set aside the things that take His place in our hearts. Jesus wants to be the King of our whole heart, not just part of it. Like his call to the rich man, Jesus asks each of us to let go of everything that gets in the way of us following Him. Take a moment today to pray and ask Jesus to reveal any areas of your heart that need His healing touch and to help you fully entrust them to Him. By identifying and surrendering these parts of our hearts, we allow Jesus to transform us from within.







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#### Week at a Glance March 31 - April 4, 2025

Monday, March 31, 2025 - Day 3 Krispy Kreme Fundraiser Ends tonight Book Fair Set-up begins Tuesday, April 1 2025 - DAY 4 APRIL FOOL'S DAY Wednesday, April 2 - DAY 5 World Autism Day- Alternate Dress Day-Wear Blue Book Fair Preview Day 1 Grades 5 & 6 Tim Horton's Leadership Class Thursday, April 3, 2025 - DAY 1 Pita Pit Day Father offering Reconciliation to Mrs. Dunkley and Mr. Lukacs' classes Friday, April 4, 2025 - PD DAY NO SCHOOL TODAY

## WEEK AT A Glance

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#### Weekly Update March 24 - 28, 2025

Dear St. Anthony Family,



It's hard to believe that next week April will have arrived. The year is really flying by and there is so much going on around here. Please make sure to check the April Calendar to keep yourselves informed.

Our Krispy Kreme orders will come to a close this Monday, March 31. Please get your orders in before the deadline. Also, you may have also noticed the yearbook that is posted in SchoolCashOnline. The Yearbooks will be online until April 17. Don't forget to order. April Food Days were posted last week. Please always remember to check and see if you received an email receipt of your purchases or you can look in your "History" to check as well.

With the nicer weather starting to show her face we also see many students wearing shorts or no jackets outside. Please try to follow the weather networks as the temperatures often shift and we want to make sure students are dressed appropriately for the weather. A light jacket can easily be taken off if it gets too warm but we don't want students scrambling trying to find something warm if the weather turns. Also, when the field firms up we will be allowing students onto the field. A change of indoor shoes will help to keep the dirt and mud out of the classrooms.

Once again, we will be hosting our Scholastic Book Fair in the library. Students will have an opportunity to preview items and bring home a wish list. Please remember that this is just a wish list of items your child(ren) has pointed out. It is your decision as to what you decide to purchase. We will also set aside time for parents to come after school on Tuesday, April 8 from 2:50-3:30 pm to come in and make purchases. Parents can also make credit card purchases at that time.

Tuesday is April Fool's Day. We all like a good prank from time to time, let's just remember to keep them in the realm of appropriateness and safety. We also recognize World Autism Day on Wednesday, April 2, 2025. Students are encouraged to wear blue. It can be any shade of blue. Also, on Wednesday, Father Randy will be back hearing confessions of those students in Mrs. Gerden/Miss Khnanisho and Miss Muracco's classes who wish to participate. We welcome Father Randy back on Thursday to celebrate mass with us in our gym. Lastly, on Friday, we have a PD Day. There is no school for students on that day but the YMCA Daycare will be open.

A reminder email was sent out to families that are still on the Order for Suspension from Attendance at School list. The deadline to respond to this directive is approaching quickly. If you have not yet contacted Niagara Region Public Health, please do so in order to avoid receiving the suspension from school notice. The instructions are in the email sent home as well as the letter mailed to you from Public Health.

We would also like to once again bring to your attention a few clerical concerns. SchoolCashOnline and SchoolMessenger are important tools made available to you to make communication easier for you and the office. SchoolMessenger allows you to report absences and provides us with important information regarding late arrivals, early departures and general attendance concerns. Using this tool helps save the office countless hours of administrative work. If you do not use it to inform us of absences then please answer the calls generated by the attendance system and select the correct response. This will help us immensely. SchoolCashOnline is also very helpful as it alleviated the amount of time spent performing accounting tasks. It is also strongly encouraged because it helps you to track any purchases you have made. It is also used as a permission/consent system. If you need any help please come into the office and one of us will be able to get you set up. This is going to be the way we will be handling attendance and finance matters moving forward so let us help you get settled.

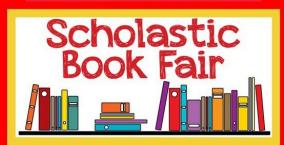
Lastly, we feel it is important to once again remind everyone of the importance of practicing patience and caution when using our parking lot. We know that it gets a bit busy at the end of the day due to everyone arriving at around the same time. Please remember to be cautious and look for those walking across the parking lot, especially smaller children who may be more difficult to see. Be careful when changing lanes and reduce your speed. The lot empties out quickly so please be patient and work with us.

Thank you and have a wonderful weekend,

#### St. Anthony Staff



#### MSCHOLASTIC



Hello St. Anthony School Community:

Mark your calendars! The fun and excitement of a **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming to our school! Our **Scholastic Book Fair** will take place on the following days:

**April 2 & 7 - Preview Days:** Readers will check out the fair, browse many new titles at all reading levels and make wish lists to bring home!

April 8, 9 & 10 - Open for Business: Students can shop at our fair.

Parents are welcome Tuesday, April 8, only – from 2:50 - 3:30 – to shop with their students. Purchases can be made with Cash, Debit or Credit.

#### April 11: Book Fair Open until 11:00 for last-minute purchases

Thank you in advance for supporting our school library.

Mrs. Kelly School Librarian



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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!



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#### **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. I maddalena-uniforms.com



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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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